

KENT STATE UNIVERSITY CERTIFICATION OF CURRICULUM PROPOSAL

Preparation Date **1-Apr-17** Curriculum Bulletin _____
 Effective Date **Fall 2017** Approved by EPC _____

Department _____
 College **RE - Regional College**
 Degree **AAS - Associate of Applied Science**
 Program Name **Manufacturing Engineering Technology** Program Banner Code **MFET**
 Concentration(s) Concentration(s) Banner Code(s) _____
 Proposal **Temporarily suspend admissions**

Description of proposal:
Temporary suspend admission to the Manufacturing Engineering Technology major at the Trumbull Campus. A teach-out plan will be put in place for currently enrolled students, after which the program will be inactivated.

Does proposed revision change program's total credit hours? Yes No
 Current total credit hours: Proposed total credit hours

Describe impact on other programs, policies or procedures (e.g., duplication issues; enrollment and staffing considerations; need; audience; prerequisites; teacher education licensure):
One course that will no longer be offered is required in another program, which is also slated for inactivation. Another course no longer to be offered is an elective in another program. Other than those two courses, no impact on other programs. No faculty are attached to this major.

Units consulted (other departments, programs or campuses affected by this proposal):
Trumbull Campus, Regional College Curriculum Committee, Provost Office, Admissions

REQUIRED ENDORSEMENTS

Department Chair / School Director	_ / _ / _
Campus Dean (for Regional Campuses proposals)	_ / _ / _
College Dean (or designee)	4 / 11 / 17
Dean of Graduate Studies (for graduate proposals)	_ / _ / _
Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost (or designee)	_ / _ / _

TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF ADMISSION AAS Degree in Manufacturing Engineering Technology

1. Provide a rationale for the suspension of admission of the program.

The AAS degree in Manufacturing Engineering Technology was established on the Trumbull Campus in 2006 due to projected manufacturing job opportunities in the region (the program had previously been offered on the Salem Campus).

However, local industry need for graduates in the manufacturing area never developed as anticipated. As a result, the program has received low interest, averaging five enrolled students each semester. Only three students, total, have graduated from the program at Trumbull, with the last one graduating in spring 2012.

The Regional College plans to inactivate the program in the near future. The suspension time will allow the college time to phase out the program and work with current students while not enrolling new students.

2. Indicate number of students currently enrolled in the program and describe how the suspension of admission will affect them. Explain plans for notifying current students and assisting them in the completion of their program.

Six students were enrolled in the major in spring 2017 (15th day census). Of the six, two are also declared in the bachelor's degree in applied engineering. All six students are being notified of the program's suspension and given the option to complete the major or change to another, similar, major (e.g., associate degree in mechanical engineering technology, which is also offered at the Trumbull Campus).

Those who choose to complete the Manufacturing Engineering Technology major will work closely with an advisor to plan a course of study for graduation with approved substitutions for manufacturing courses no longer offered.

3. Describe whether there will be a loss of faculty or staff positions due to the suspension.

No loss will occur. There are no faculty supporting the degree program.

4. Indicate if any of the program's courses that will not be offered due to the suspension are used by other units for their programs (either as required or elective). Provide evidence that those units have been consulted regarding the offerings.

Nine courses will no longer be offered. Of the nine, one course (EERT 22000) is required in the Engineering of Information Technology associate degree program, which has one student enrolled. An appropriate course substitution will be communicated to that student. Engineering technology faculty have discussed inactivating this major in the near future as well.

One course (EERT 22002) is an elective in the Electrical/Electronic Engineering Technology associate degree program. Students in that major have four other course choices from which to complete the requirement for graduation.

5. Describe the plan for communicating the suspension of admissions.

Admission counselors will be notified of the suspension, and the program will be removed from admission applications. Current and new students will be able to declare the program. The University Catalog will continue to list the program with a notation that admission is suspended until further notice.