

**PROPOSAL: Create the Engineering Management (Accelerated) program**

Background

The Graduate Studies Council of the Faculty Senate has approved the creation of the Engineering Management (Accelerated) program offered by Department of Industrial and Entrepreneurial Engineering & Engineering Management in the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences.

The accelerated MS EM program is proposed to meet the growing demand for engineer and applied scientists who combine strong technical expertise with leadership, project management, and organizational skills. By allowing students to complete both degrees in a shorter timeframe and at reduced cost, the program enhances career readiness and provides a competitive edge in the job market. It also strengthens the pipeline into WMU's nationally recognized, ASEM-certified Engineering Management graduate program while expanding opportunities for undergraduates in STEM-focused undergraduate degrees to pursue advanced study without delaying entry into the workforce.

Recommended Action

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