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Graduate Council Resolution:

Resolution to Recommend Approval of RME for Addition of a Ph.D. Program in Civil and Environmental Engineering

WHEREAS, the current PhD program available to the School of Civil, Environmental and Infrastructure Engineering is the PhD in Engineering Science with a concentration in Civil and Environmental Engineering, and

WHEREAS, the PhD in Engineering Science with a concentration in Civil and Environmental Engineering graduated 20 Ph.D. students within the last 10 years; and

WHEREAS, several of the students from the master's program in Civil and Environmental Engineering did not continue to the Ph.D. program due to the current degree name at the doctoral level, and

WHEREAS, several inquiries into the Ph.D. program in Civil and Environmental Engineering did not convert to applications into the program primarily due to the name of the degree being awarded; and

WHEREAS, growth in external grant funding hasn’t resulted in an increase in the number of Ph.D. students; and

WHEREAS, the School’s faculty believe that changing the doctoral degree in Engineering Science with a concentration in Civil and Environmental Engineering to a Ph.D. in Civil and Environmental Engineering will have a significant positive impact on enrollment;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Graduate Council approves the approves the addition of a Ph.D. in Civil and Environmental Engineering program.

10/03/2024
Date of Resolution Approval

Fall 2024
Semester

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