

Civil & Environmental Engineering Department

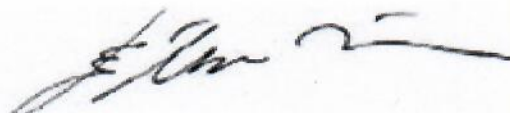
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**Subject:** 2020-2021 Graduate Course Requirement Revision

Our department voted to approve a set of changes to our CEE graduate course requirements.

1. Allow coursework for the Ph.D. to be taken at any point during the program, both before and after the Advancement to Candidacy. (Yes: 17, No: 2, Absent: 2)
2. Change the total number of required courses and remove the restriction that courses are grouped into two minors or a super minor. (Yes: 14, No: 5, Absent: 2)
3. Remove 224 from the required graduate courses list for Geotechnical Engineering and allow for it to count as a Major Elective Course. (Yes: 13, Abstain: 6, Absent: 2)
4. Change the Structural Mechanics requirements: remove 236 from the required graduate course, add 244 as required graduate course, remove 137L, 238, and 244 from approved elective courses. (Yes: 13, Abstain: 6, Absent: 2)
5. Change the Structural Earthquake requirements: require only two courses instead of three from 235B, 241, 243A, 244, 245, and 247, remove 243B as a required course, and remove 238 from the approved elective courses. (Yes: 13, No: 1, Abstain: 5, Absent: 2)