

# Request for Consent by the Electrical and Computer Engineering Curriculum Committee

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## **Proposal to create a separate curriculum committees for the undergraduate and graduate programs**

The Curriculum Reinvention Committee (CRC) proposes the creation of a Graduate Programs Curriculum Committee. Currently, the ECE Curriculum Committee primarily focuses on the undergraduate programs and course offerings. With the difference in program structures and goals in the undergraduate and graduate programs, having separate committees would allow each committee to better address the goals and needs of each respective program.

Under this proposal, the initial membership of the graduate programs curriculum committee will consist of the Associate Chair for Education, Graduate Program Faculty Coordinator(s), Associate Chair for Research, Director of Academic Services, Lead Graduate Advisor, Curriculum Manager, two graduate students, and additional members as appointed by the department chair. The initial directive for the committee will be to examine the current state of the graduate programs with the goal of proposing changes the committee deems will improve the strength and health of the graduate programs.

Meetings for the new graduate committee will start with the beginning of the Autumn 2022 quarter, with the current ECE Curriculum Committee changing to a focus on undergraduate programs. Details of how to best coordinate the two committees is to be addressed by both committees in consultation with the department chair and the Associate Chair for Education.

**Addendum:** Committees should examine possibility of meeting every other week, with undergraduate meeting one week, then grad meeting the following week:

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