

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL  
TENNESSEE TECH UNIVERSITY  
April 10, 2024

The Academic Council met at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 10, 2024 via Teams videoconferencing technology, with Professor Kimberly Winkle, presiding.

**The following members of the council were present:**

Dr. Thomas Payne  
Dr. Kumar Yelamarthi  
Dr. Jeff Roberts  
Dr. Mike Gotcher  
Dr. Lisa Zagumny  
Dr. Darron Smith  
Dr. Dennis Fennewald  
Dr. Mark Creter  
Dr. Brian O'Connor  
Dr. Sean Alley  
Dr. Hyewon Park  
Dr. Melissa Comer  
Dr. Stephen Canfield  
Dr. Syed Rafay Hasan  
Dr. Scott Christen  
Dr. Ann Manginelli

Dr. Jennifer Mabry  
Dr. Matt Langford  
Ms. Megan Atkinson  
Dr. Troy Smith  
Dr. Linda Null  
Ms. April Crockett  
Dr. Brenda Wilson  
Dr. Krystal Kennedy  
Dr. Lenly Weathers  
Ms. Amber Spears  
Ms. Claire Myers



**College of Engineering Revision to admission requirements for MS Engineering Management Program**

Dr. Chris Wilson stated the College of Engineering no longer has a list of admission-criteria for its M.S.

Dr. Jeanette Luna stated the addition of a planetary geology concentration will allow students to complete classic geology coursework as well as coursework focused on remote sensing and orbital observation. . After little discussion, Dr. Lisa Zagumny MOVED approval and Dr. Sean Alley SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

### **College of Education Exercise Science New Concentration**

Dr. Lisa Zagumny stated the exercise science concentration will provide students with multiple opportunities to study in areas within exercise science that are most interesting to them while providing a rigorous and well-rounded education. After little discussion, Dr. Lisa Zagumny MOVED approval and Dr. Sean Alley SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

### **College of Engineering Mechanical Engineering Name Change**

Dr. Stephen Canfield stated the name change to Mechatronics and Robotics will better reflect the broader nature of our program and differentiate the TTU program from the others. After little discussion, Dr. Lisa Zagumny MOVED approval and Dr. Sean Alley SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Dr. Lisa Zagumny MOVED approval and Dr. Sean Alley SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Amy McCoy, Recorder

Documents on file with the minutes:

All documents presented at the meeting