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Office of the President  
February 19, 2021

Members, Board of Trustees:

CREATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY:  
COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve the creation of the Department of Engineering Technology, effective July 1, 2021.

Background: The proposed department will bring together the University of Kentucky (UK), Bluegrass Community and Technical College and the engineering industry in a strategic partnership to work toward the creation of undergraduate engineering programs that will bridge the gap between industry and academia, instill scholarly knowledge and develop needed skills to be career-ready for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century economy. The department's focus, course offerings and degrees will establish UK as a unique institution throughout the Commonwealth and the nation.

The proposed department will be formed by reconfiguring existing college resources and will position UK at the forefront of meeting the critical education and skill needs of the Commonwealth's manufacturing workforce.

The proposal has been reviewed and recommended by the Senate Academic Organization and Structure Committee and the Senate Council; and endorsed by the University Senate. The provost of the university supports this recommendation.

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Action taken:  Approved     Disapproved     Other \_\_\_\_\_