

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL  
ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE  
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**PRESENTED BY:** Len Proctor, Chair, Academic Programs Committee of Council

**DATE OF MEETING:** Nov. 19, 2009

**SUBJECT:**           **Report for Information:**  
                          **Engineering – change of name to Professional Communication Option**

**COUNCIL ACTION:** For information only

The Academic Programs Committee of Council approves changes to names of fields of specialization and reports these decisions to University Council for information.

The Committee has approved the following change of program name: In the College of Engineering, the Engineering Communication Option will now be called the Professional Communication Option.

**ATTACHMENT:**  
Proposal documents for Professional Communication Option

**M E M O R A N D U M**

TO: Cathie Fornssler, Administration Officer  
Academic Program Committee  
E245, Administration Building

FROM: Jit Sharma, Acting Associate Dean, Student Affairs  
Engineering Student Centre

DATE: October 14, 2009

RE: Name Change for Option in the College of Engineering

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On April 9, 2009, the Curriculum Committee approved the name change for the following option in the College of Engineering as follows:

From: Engineering Communication Option  
**To: Professional Communication Option**

**Rationale:** When the Engineering Communication Option was first developed, it was in the context of the College of Engineering. As engineering students were the only ones who had access to the 400 level RCM classes, the name of the option reflected the discipline of the students who were taking it. However, since the inception of the option, several 400 level RCM classes have been added to programs in the College of Agriculture and Bioresources. As these students are exposed to RCM 300 and 400 level RCM classes, they have begun to enrol in the option as well. Now we have students from Engineering, Agriculture and Bioresources, as well as Open Studies who are in the option. The name to Professional Communication Option reflects the wider range of students who are pursuing the certificate.

CC D. Rolfes, Coordinator, Foundations of Professional Communication

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**Proposal for Curriculum Change  
University of Saskatchewan**

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**to be approved by University Council or by Academic Programs Committee**

**1. PROPOSAL IDENTIFICATION**

**Title of proposal:** *Name Change for Option in the College of Engineering  
– Professional Communication Option*

Degree College: Engineering                      Department:                      Home College: Engineering

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Date: *October 13, 2009*

Approved by the degree college and/or home college: *College of Engineering Curriculum  
Committee April 9, 2009*

Proposed date of implementation: *2010-11*

**2. Type of change**

**Requiring approval by Academic Programs Committee**

X            A change in the name of a Degree-level Program or Field of Specialization.