The University of Alabama Substantive Change Routing Form for Distance Delivery of Approved Program

Name of the Degree Program: 14.0201 PhD (Aerospace Engineering and Mechanics)

Originating Department: Aerospace Engineering and Mechanics

Description of Proposed Change (to be completed by Department Chair):
The Department of Aerospace Engineering and Mechanics (AEM) proposes to add a distance learning (DL) delivery option to its approved PhD degree program. A student who chooses the DL option will be required to complete all requirements of the existing PhD program, except the traditional doctoral residency requirement (which will be satisfied by the completion of the Graduate Council approved AEM Alternative Doctoral Residency requirement). AEM PhD DL students will take AEM and other related coursework through the UA College of Continuing studies.

Affirmations

As proposed, this change does not require notification and/or approval by SACSCOC.

SACSCOC Liaison: Ginger Bisphop

As the parties responsible for ensuring the integrity of this proposed program, we:

- Affirm that the degree program is currently listed on the official UA ACE Degree Program Inventory.
- Affirm that each course syllabus for the program contains clearly defined and measurable course-level student learning outcomes to be achieved upon completion of the course.
- Affirm that the faculty members assigned to teach each course holds the appropriate degree and/or credentials qualifying him/her to teach the respective course in accordance with The University of Alabama and SACSCOC faculty credential requirements.
- Affirm that each course to be delivered online or off campus meets The University of Alabama Credit Hour Policy.
- Affirm that assessment of student learning outcomes of the proposed program will be conducted according to UA assessment policies and practices.
- Affirm that the students enrolled in the proposed program will have access to the same or comparable library and information resources as the on-campus student enrolled in the program or comparable face-to-face programs and that staffing and services are in place to support the distance offering.
- Affirm that adequate physical facilities and equipment are accessible to the student at off-campus instructional sites to meet the demands and expectations of the degree program.

Department Chair: John Baker

College Associate Dean: Viola Acoff

College Dean: Charles Karr

Graduate Dean (if applicable): David Francko

Associate Provost for International Education (if applicable): [Signature]

Provost: Kevin Whitaker

Please return signed original to college of origin for dissemination of completed form to the Provost's Office, SACSCOC Liaison (J weakern), Registrar, Dean of Continuing Studies, and all signatories.