

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Tamara Machmut-Jhashi, Associate Provost

FROM: Dr. Gwendolyn Thompson McMillon, Chairperson
Senate Budget Review Committee

SUBJECT: Master of Science in Mechatronics

DATE: April 14, 2010

The Senate Budget Review Committee has reviewed the proposal for the Master of Science in Mechatronics Program and agreed that the proposal has met the criteria established by the charge to our committee.

SBRC believes that the Mechatronics proposal established a great need for the program in our area and puts Oakland in a leadership role. Mechatronics will increase student enrollment of students who would not consider Oakland, as there are only twelve (12) Mechatronics programs in the world. Additionally, the program looks like it is self-sustaining and could possibly make money.