

TO: Faculty of Schools of Engineering
FROM: Faculty of the School of Aeronautics and Astronautics
SUBJECT: New BSAAE Graduation Requirement

The Faculty of the School of Aeronautics and Astronautics has approved the following new additional graduation requirement for the BSAAE degree. This action is now submitted to the Engineering Faculty with a recommendation for approval.

NEW REQUIREMENT: The AAE core index (AAE required courses) must be at least a 2.00 at graduation.

Reason: Currently, the only graduation requirements for the BSAAE are satisfaction of all curriculum requirements (with D or better grades, in general) and a graduation GPA of 2.00. The graduation GPA is a University requirement and (except in the case of those who CODO) is calculated based on grades in all courses taken at Purdue. This additional requirement is proposed as a means of better ensuring the engineering credentials of our graduates. Currently, some students graduate with 30+ credits in extra courses that are not a part of the BSAAE requirements. This can significantly impact a student's graduation index.

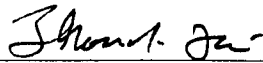
It is intended that the new rule be used in counseling students as they progress through the degree program. Students whose *core index* falls below 2 would be counseled to repeat courses with low grades.

The courses that are included in the AAE core index are:

AAE 203, 204, 204L, 251, 352, 333, 333L, 340, 372 or 439, 334, 334L or 352L, 364, 421 or 440, 364L, 450 or 451.

Once approved, the School of Aeronautics and Astronautics plans to include a GPA requirement statement in the Schools of Engineering University Bulletin to alert students to this requirement.

APPROVED FOR THE FACULTY
OF THE SCHOOLS OF ENGINEERING
BY THE COMMITTEE ON
FACULTY RELATIONS


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