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Greetings from ABET:

The Engineering Accreditation Commission (EAC) of ABET recently held its 2020 Summer Meeting to act on the program evaluations conducted during 2019–2020. Each evaluation was summarized in a report to the Commission and was considered by the full Commission before a vote was taken on the accreditation action. The results of the evaluation for University of Pittsburgh are included in the Summary of Accreditation Actions and the Final Statement, made available in the Accreditation Management System (AMS).

The policy of ABET is to grant accreditation for a limited number of years, not to exceed six, in all cases. The period of accreditation is not an indication of program quality. Any restriction of the period of accreditation is based upon conditions indicating that compliance with the applicable accreditation criteria must be strengthened. Continuation of accreditation beyond the time specified requires a reevaluation of the program at the request of the institution as noted in the accreditation action. ABET policy prohibits public disclosure of the period for which a program is accredited. For further guidance concerning the public release of accreditation information, please refer to Section I.A. of the 2019–2020 Accreditation Policy and Procedure Manual (available at www.abet.org).

A list of accredited programs is published annually by ABET. Information about ABET accredited programs at your institution will be listed in the forthcoming ABET Accreditation Yearbook and on the ABET website (www.abet.org).

It is the obligation of the officer responsible for ABET accredited programs at your institution to notify ABET of any significant changes in program title, personnel, curriculum, or other factors that could affect the accreditation status of a program during the period of accreditation stated in Section I.F. of the 2019–2020 Accreditation Policy and Procedure Manual (available at www.abet.org).

ABET requires that each accredited program publicly state the program's educational objectives and student outcomes as well as publicly post annual student enrollment and graduation data as stated in Section I.A.6. of the Accreditation Policy and Procedure Manual (available at www.abet.org).

Please note that appeals are allowed only in the case of Not to Accredit actions. Also, such appeals may be based only on the conditions stated in Section II.D. of the 2019–2020 Accreditation Policy and Procedure Manual (available at www.abet.org).

Sincerely,



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Engineering Accreditation Commission