## CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY, POMONA ACADEMIC SENATE

# ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORT TO THE ACADEMIC SENATE

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CIVIL ENGINEERING, M.S. -GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING OPTION (NEW)

Academic Programs Committee Date: 2/25/2017

**Executive Committee** 

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Academic Senate Date: 03/08/2017

First Reading

<u>BACKGROUND</u>: The Civil Engineering Department proposes to convert an existing Master of Science in Civil Engineering (MSCE) program, consisting of multiple emphasis areas, into a revised Master of Science in Civil Engineering (MSCE) program consisting of options. The proposed option name for geotechnical engineering shall be MSCE Geotechnical Engineering Option. This includes converted courses, revised courses, and new courses as summarized in the Curriculum Sheets. This Program will offer a specialized program of advanced coursework in geotechnical analysis and design, and give students in-depth technical knowledge related to the field of Geotechnical Engineering.

#### **RESOURCES CONSULTED:**

Deans
Associate Deans
Department Chairs
All Faculty

#### **DISCUSSION:**

Before reaching the Academic Programs Committee, this program was reviewed by the College Curriculum Committee in the College of Engineering as well as the Dean of Engineering and the Office of Academic Programs. All concerns raised at those levels were addressed. The Academic Programs Committee then conducted campus-wide consultation, as well as its own review of the program. No concerns were raised.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Academic Programs Committee recommends approval of the (New) Civil Engineering, M.S. - Geotechnical Engineering Option as part of the semester conversion process.