

Computer Engineering department
Chair hired 7/01

Renovation of phase II of
Engineering lab space begins 10/01

Phase II completed 2/02 (8,370 ft²)

First Engineering faculty hired Fall '01

Years 2, 3, and 4 curriculum
Approved 10/01

I submitted my resignation as Dean in part due to the administration's lack of support of engineering programs and their failure to comply with the recommendations of the IHL consultants. These failures not only compromised the quality of the academic experience of the matriculating engineering students, but also brought into question whether the resulting engineering programs, once implemented, would receive ABET accreditation. These myriad of problems are listed below under "Obstacles Blocking Efforts to Implement IHL Consultant Recommendations"..... 10/01

Against the advice of IHL consultants, IHL approves merger of Engineering and Science and Technology.....Fall 02
(The potential difficulties and compromises to the engineering program are listed below.)

Obstacles Blocking Efforts to Implement IHL Consultant Recommendations

No classroom space was allocated to the School of Engineering. The first engineering group of students had only one engineering class in each semester of their first year. Available classroom space in the School of Science and Technology proved very difficult to use because of frequent lockouts and inability to get classroom keys for engineering faculty.

In the beginning it proved very difficult to get cooperation on getting lab space for engineering. Potential space that could be renovated into laboratory space that was not being utilized was blocked in the beginning, even though the space had been left dormant for several years.

The curriculum approved ran contrary to recommendations of the newly formed Engineering Advisory Committee and engineering faculty. The university approved and published an engineering curriculum, which required 148 semester hours of work plus another six hours of foreign languages. This was done in spite of curricula