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Dear Colleagues:

Thank you for agreeing to serve on the Grainger College of Engineering IT Governance Education Working Group for the academic year 2022-2023. This working group is critical to helping ensure that IT support of the educational needs of faculty, instructors, and students in the College is of the highest quality and reliability.

Your recommendations and comments are advisory to the Executive Associate Dean, with primary responsibilities for:

- Reviewing policies concerning the sustainability and prioritization of any needed educational IT that enhances the College teaching mission, both at the Engineering College level and at the campus level.
- Considering IT support for new educational pursuits in our College, anticipating new opportunities and responding to interests and initiatives from our units.
- Monitoring, assisting with prioritizing, and providing feedback on the implementation of any proposals concerning educational IT.
- Assisting with monitoring, providing feedback, and reporting on the progress of work to align Engineering IT services with campus-level IT services, in particular with respect to teaching.
- Coordinating and communicating with the other IT working groups with overlapping interests.

In particular, over this academic year, I would like to ask you to

- Recommend near-term priorities and ongoing investments to ensure we have robust and sustainable technology to support the needs of hybrid and online teaching in Engineering.
- Evaluate the IT resources available to support innovation in teaching and learning and recommend changes or investments to keep us at the forefront of Engineering education.

- Consider the portfolio of software packages supported by the College for teaching purposes and how this compares to competitive peers. Provide recommendations for any changes in the portfolio of applications for instructional use.

You will also be asked to provide an assessment at the end of the academic year on the current state of IT support for instructional activities. Dr. Melkior Ornik has graciously agreed to chair this working group. He will be in contact with you soon to arrange for your first meeting.

I am thankful to all of you for your willingness to contribute to this important work for our College. I look forward to joining you at your first meeting to discuss the charge and answer any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several vertical strokes followed by a horizontal line and a small flourish.

Philippe H. Geubelle