Call for Differential Tuition Proposals – College of Engineering – Sept. 4, 2008

The College of Engineering is now accepting proposals from faculty, staff, and student groups via Polygon to pursue the objectives of the engineering differential tuition. These proposals should be targeted to, and with outcomes that clearly demonstrate progress toward, the committed deliverables of:

1. high quality learning experience and engineering education to meet the needs of the 21st century,
2. reduction in time to degree,
3. increased number of engineering graduates per year.

Proposals should explain the nature of the request, explicitly identify which deliverables justify the request, and how the outcomes of the proposal will be measured to show progress toward the deliverables outlined above. A proposed budget should accompany the request with budget categories of 1) Instructional staff including teaching assistants, 2) staff or infrastructure improvements to undergraduate labs or the CoE shop or other student service entities, 3) other costs associated with new programs or curricular innovations. Do not include fringe benefits and overhead in your budget.

Proposals may be submitted by faculty, staff or student groups. Proposal length is limited to no more than two pages. Allocations will be made by the Dean of Engineering in consultation with the Associate Deans and members of the Differential Tuition Planning Team as appropriate. Student groups interested in submitting proposals may do so either through cooperating faculty and staff, or to the Dean’s office via Polygon. Proposals submitted by Polygon to the Dean’s office, if funded, will be administered through the Dean’s office to meet the proposal objectives. Future allocations for those funded under previous proposals will be contingent on successful completion of prior projects.

Proposals that require timetable changes, staff additions, etc., must be submitted in time to allow those changes. Proposals for academic year 08-09 that do not require lead time for such changes will be accepted on an as received basis through December 31, 2008. Proposals for future terms that do not require these lead times will be accepted until two months prior to the term for which the proposal will be implemented. The disposition of proposals will be established within one month of submission. All proposals should be submitted electronically (pdf or MS Word) to Dean Steve Cramer at cramer@engr.wisc.edu.