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ABET Team to Visit Campus

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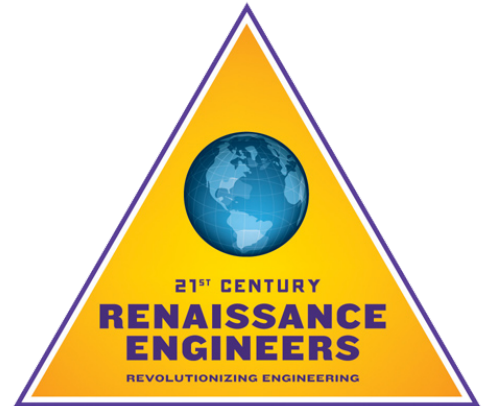
Next week, Tennessee Tech University's College of Engineering will be visited by a team of six reviewers from the ABET (formally Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology). The external reviewers will be auditing bachelor's programs in chemical, civil, computer, electrical and mechanical engineering, on the strength of self-study reports that were submitted during the summer of this year.

The reviewers would like to meet with students from each engineering degree program, and have provided guidelines for selecting students for meetings. Each department has sent emails to select students inviting them to these meetings. In addition, faculty sessions with the ABET team are already scheduled.

"These visits are the culmination of a significant amount of work on the part of staff and faculty," said Joe Rencis, dean of the College of Engineering. "The cooperation between faculty, staff and students college-wide during this process has been outstanding, and is very much appreciated by everyone involved, including associate deans, department chairs, the assistant dean and myself."

In addition to setting quality standards for engineering education, ABET accreditation is important for preparation for the workforce. Most states require a degree from an ABET-accredited program as a prerequisite for granting a professional engineer's license. To find out more about the importance of ABET accreditation, click here:

<http://www.abet.org/why-accreditation-matters/> (<http://www.abet.org/why-accreditation-matters/>)



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