To be adopted:

Proposed Changes to BS+MS in Mechanical Engineering Major

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**Justification:**
UC is proceeding with test-optional admissions for the 2021 and 2022 admission’s cycles and test-blind admissions for 2023 and 2024 admission’s cycles. As a result, per the recommendations of the Committee of Undergraduate Admissions, we are seeking a curriculum change for the BS+MS combined degree program in Mechanical Engineering to remove the inclusion of the ACT and SAT requirement for admissions to the program to reflect the changes in admissions policy.

**Approvals:**
Approved by the faculty of the Department of Mechanical Engineering: November 9, 2020
Approved by the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering: January 29, 2021
Reviewed by the Committee on Undergraduate Admissions: February 26, 2021
Approved by the Committee on Educational Policy: April 1, 2021
Approved by the Graduate Council: February 22, 2021