Graduate Student Town Hall Meeting

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Abstract
Professor Hayes and Dr. Shrotriya will present department statistics to the Mechanical Engineering graduate community to give students insights into the current state of the department. This will also be an opportunity for students to ask questions, voice concerns and share ideas and suggestions. Bring your questions!

Bio
Dr. Hayes is chair of Mechanical Engineering and the Lynn Gleason Professor of Interdisciplinary Engineering, both at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa. Dr. Hayes grew up in Pittsburgh, PA, and also earned all of her degrees in her home town at Carnegie Mellon University: B.S. Math (Computer Science Option), 1983; M.S. Knowledge-Based Systems (an interdisciplinary degree between Computer Science, Mechanical Engineering and Psychology); Ph.D. in Robotics from the Carnegie Mellon Robotics Institute. She was the first graduate of a degree granting Robotics program, ever. Since then, she has held faculty positions at University of Illinois, University of Minnesota, before coming to Iowa State in 2012. Her current research focuses on technologies to facilitate virtual design collaborations. She is an ASME Fellow, and she was chair of the Mechanical Engineering Department Heads/Chairs Executive Committee, 2016. Her husband and daughter live with her in Ames, Iowa.

Pranav Shrotriya is a Professor of Mechanical Engineering at Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa. Before joining Iowa State University in fall 2003, he was a post-doctoral research associate in Division of Engineering at Brown University from July 2002 to August 2003 and in Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering at Princeton University from December 2001 to June 2002. He received B.Tech degree in Mechanical engineering from IIT Bombay and his PhD and MS degrees in Theoretical and Applied Mechanics from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. His research interests are in describing how materials deform and fail under interacting mechanical and environmental stimuli such as thermal, chemical and electrical fields.

This seminar counts towards the ME 600 seminar requirement for Mechanical Engineering graduate students.

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