Change of Major Worksheet
(For students wanting to switch from outside CENG)

Please bring this completed worksheet (both sides) to your change of major advising appointment in the Engineering Advising Center (40-111). Be prepared to discuss your responses. If you do not have this worksheet fully completed by your appointment, you may have to reschedule.

Name: ____________________________________  EMPL ID:_________________  Date:___________

Current Major: _____________________________            Target Major: _____________________________

Student’s that want to switch into BMED, GENE, CE or ENVE: Please email Jamey @ JLstamet@calpoly to see if you meet the original eligibly requirement before proceeding with this worksheet.

1. Why do you want to change to your target major?
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2. Why did you choose your original major? What has changed since then?
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3. Name one career that is typical for alumni of your target major that you are interested in.
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4. Name two classes from the curriculum that sound interesting to you.
a.__________________________________________________________________________
b.__________________________________________________________________________

5. How do your interests, personality, skills or values fit into your target field?
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6. If you are unable to change your major into your target major, what is your backup plan (be specific)?
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Change of Major Activities

Changing your major is an important and serious personal decision. Students are expected to fully research their options and be certain of their choice before switching. Complete at least one activity from Section 1 and one activity from Section 2 below. List below how both the activities have had an impact on your decision to change your major (be specific). Attach additional pages if necessary.

Section 1:

Section 2:

Activities

Section 1: (check all that you have completed)

☐ Career Services: Meet with the Career Counselor for your target major to help you determine how your skills/interests would fit into a career path. Call (805) 756-2501 X4 for an appointment.

☐ Faculty Advisor: Meet with a faculty member in your target major and discuss the curriculum and possible career paths available with that major. Please specify above who you met with.

☐ Engineering Ambassadors: Take a tour of your target major’s department led by an Engineering Ambassador of that major. Register for tours here: http://ceng.calpoly.edu/tours/. To contact an Ambassador in a specific major to learn more about the major from a student’s perspective email JLStamet@calpoly.edu to get list of Ambassadors and their contact information. You may also want to attend a club meeting that is affiliated with your target major to discuss the major and courses with upper division students.

Section 2: (check all that you have completed)

☐ Informational Interviewing/Job Shadowing: Contact someone in a career position you are interested in to see what they do and how they spend their workdays to gain insight about that career.

☐ Career Services’ Graduate Survey and Alumni Profiles: Visit the website: www.careerservices.calpoly.edu. Select “Students” and then “Career Exploration”. Check out the Engineering Alumni Profiles and the Graduate Status report, which lists employers, job titles, and salary information of recent Cal Poly graduates divided by major. Write down 3-5 job titles which interest you and why.

☐ Slone Career Corner Stone: Visit the website: http://www.careercornerstone.org/. Click Engineering on the right hand side of the page. Overviews of engineering fields are available along with information about nature of work, podcasts, and interviews with professionals & job outlook.

Additional helpful option:

☐ FOCUS-2: After logging into your Portal, click the ‘MustangJOBS’ link under the ‘Single Click Access to’ channel. Scroll to the bottom and click the link to the ‘FOCUS-2’. Click to create a new account or login and enter the access code ‘mustangs’. Take the ‘Work Interest Assessment’ under the ‘Self-Assessment’ category. List your top three work interests listed in the profile summary and how they relate to your choice in major and career.

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