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### Sprouls appointed chair of USI Department of Engineering

Eric P. Sprouls, associate professor of engineering, has been named the chair of the Department of Engineering at the University of Southern Indiana.

Sprouls has been on the faculty at USI for 25 years. His areas of interest are rock and soil engineering and surface mine permitting. He has industrial experience as a consulting engineer.

Sprouls earned the master's degree in civil engineering from the University of Illinois.

USI offers the Bachelor of Science in Engineering degree. The program emphasizes design as well as practice and includes the academic preparation professional engineers need to perform their responsibilities. The program meets the requirements for professional licensing in all states.

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