The faculty should approve CEP plan

The MIT faculty faces a tight deadline tomorrow. It will vote to approve or reject the Committee on Educational Policy's plan to restrict admissions from the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science. MIT will face potential dangers either way the decision falls.

The CUAFA, an editorial committee, indicated that they felt the proposal to restrict the college of electrical engineering admits students who may not be academically talented enough to attend the university. This argument was made because MIT, to gain its prestigious undergraduate student body image, must limit its admissions to students who have a high GPA and who are accepted by many other top universities.

I applaud the CUAFA committee's desire to protect the MIT image. It is important that MIT retain its reputation as a leading university. However, I do not believe that the proposal will accomplish this goal.

The proposal would limit the number of students admitted to the college of electrical engineering. This would ensure that the college of electrical engineering remains competitive with other top universities in the country. However, I believe that this goal can be achieved through other means.

For example, I think that MIT should consider expanding its outreach programs to attract students who may not have access to high-quality educational opportunities. This would not only help to ensure that the college of electrical engineering remains competitive, but it would also help to increase diversity on campus.

I believe that the CUAFA committee's arguments are well intentioned, but ultimately misguided. The proposal would not achieve the goals they set out to accomplish.

The faculty should approve the CEP plan tomorrow.