Makenzie Blankenship, a new full-time temporary lecturer for Mechatronics Engineering.

Elissa Ledoux was born and raised in Baton Rouge, LA, and is the founder of Makerettes, a Star Wars themed AirBnB as a side project, complete with their own stainless steel and titanium robot and created its own programming and automation software. She says, "To make something that runs on its own without any human intervention is very satisfying…real life."

Blankenship said he felt "they were not looking specifically for mechatronics students, but all of our students have a great deal to offer." Blankenship does believe the Mechatronics Engineering program is attracting more students. "The Mechatronics program is seeing an increase of about 100 students per year. Sixty students will graduate this Spring (2018), and 80 students are expected to graduate this Fall (2018)."

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Mechatronics Engineering

Graduates From MTSU's Mechatronics Engineering Program are in Demand

The MTSU Department of Engineering Technology and the MTSU Department of Mechatronics Engineering are both on the rise, and their graduates are in demand.

MTSU Department of Engineering Technology

The Experimental Vehicles Program

The Experimental Vehicles Program is a group of 15 engineering and engineering technology students who are working on a full-size vehicle that drives around campus.