UCSD places at ACM Southern California Regional Programming Contest

Congratulations to the UCSD Programming teams who competed at the 2012 ACM Southern California Regional Programming Contest this past Saturday, November 10, 2012. UCSD placed 4th, 5th, 9th, and 29th out of 68 teams. UCSD was the only school that had two teams place in the top 5, as well as the only school with 3 teams in the top 10. Competition included Caltech, Harvey Mudd, USC, UCLA, UCSD, UCI, UCR, USD, Cal State Fullerton, Cal State Long Beach, and UNLV. Since many of our team members have a few more years of eligibility, these strong results are a good sign for years to come. Some of these team members are CSE students. Great job to all the teams who competed and spent long hours practicing for the competition! Here are the teams, and their standings: Julia Alfate, Deepak Arulkannan, and James Mouradian placed 4th out of 76 teams, solving 6 out of 10 problems. Tim Wheeler, Van Lam, and Andrew Chen placed 5th out of 76 teams, solving 6 out of 10 problems. Manoj Mardhaya, Devin Lundberg, and Joshua Tobin placed 9th out of 76 teams, solving 4 out of 10 problems. Trevor Pottinger, Kyle Barron-Kraus, and Enrico Tanuwidjaja placed 29th out of 76 teams, solving 3 out of 10 problems. Special thanks to Do-Kyum Kim (graduate coach), Whitney Maguffie (graduate coach), David Michon (undergraduate coach), Mohammad Moghimi (graduate coach), and Michael B. Taylor (faculty coach). Thanks also to Mike Dini and Neal Palmer of Dini Group, long-time sponsor of the UCSD ACM Team.

CSE Senior Class 2012 Gift Campaign Report

This past spring, 123 Computer Science and Engineering students participated in the Senior Class 2012 Gift campaign and passed their legacy on to both current and future CSE undergraduates. Professor Geoff Voelker and alumnus Taner Haliciglu, ’96, also believe in the power and opportunity of giving back, and have substantially matched these gifts. This money will go towards supporting CSE student organizations, providing conference scholarships, and hiring more tutors for upper division classes. This is a campaign by students for students to continue to improve the great education we receive in the UCSD Computer Science Department.

CSE is the third largest department at UCSD

UCSD had a record 60,838 applicants this year, and admitted 2,727 more students compared to Fall 2011. The 5 most-enrolled majors are biology, economics, cse, psychology and chemistry respectively, with 3,795 biology majors, 2,474 economics majors, 1,656 computer science & engineering majors, 1,547 psychology majors and 1,477 chemistry majors. UCSD’s graduate programs accepted a few more students this year than last year; with 1,279 new students over last year’s 1,263, according to Institutional Research Officer Michael Weirfield. The Jacobs School of Engineering and Rady School of Management were the only programs that had more admits compared to last year, with other programs — arts and humanities, biological sciences, international studies, Scripps, physical sciences and social sciences — experiencing a decrease in admits. To read more, please visit this article from the Quinnipiac Press.

Faculty GPS

Ingolf Krueger traveled on 11/15 - 11/17 to Raleigh, North Carolina to attend DigiPen/Conj meeting.

George Porter will be traveling on 11/27 to USC to give a CS Department Colloquium talk.