Computer Science Executive Committee CUNY

Graduate Center

Meeting Minutes, October 10, 2003.

Present:

Ted Brown (Graduate Center, chair), Yung Kong (Queens College), Gwang Jung (Lehman College), Miriam Tausner (College of Staten Island), Sergei Artemov (Graduate Center)

1. The minutes of February 14, 2003 were approved without objection.

2. Ted Brown informed the Committee about the quota system on teaching units in the Program. Based on his recent discussion with the Provost Kelly, the Program has been allocated 35 units, up from the 30 we were originally allocated. We have already used about 60% of them in the fall 2003 semester and said we could not go over our allocation. The Provost also recommended that we not use Independent Studies units as stopgap for students between second and third levels, who are trying out a mentor. Independent Studies are supposed to be used for readings one-to-one courses.

3. Provost has announced that he convinced the University to increase graduate teaching fellowships for students from the current 200 to 600 within the next five years. The E.O will be responsible for choosing the students for these in the future and each position will come with five years of in state teaching support money.

4. There was also a considerable tuition increase, mostly for out-of-state students, that particularly effect foreign students. This is not good for the program since our students normally come with little or no money.

5. There will also be a significant change in the way GTFs are distributed. Provost will be beginning GTFs to the Program directly rather than to participating colleges. This provides more power to the Programs and more work/responsibility too.

6. The E.O. has asked all faculty in the program to report their last year's academic activities. He is looking for 100% response rate. Those who will not report theirs will be facing risk of being excluded out of the Program.

7. Jennifer Whitehead’s (Queens), (who became chair at Queens College) c.v. was examined and she was voted to be a member of our program. The faculty admissions committee had already so voted. Approved unanimously.

Recent hires at not fully participating colleges to be included to the
program as provisional members:
Ping Ji (John Jay)
Jinwoo Kim (John Jay).

Both were approved unanimously.

8. The Program is applying for GAANN grant. Some people in the Program were asked to present 2 pages CV to Lauren Brust.

9. Bulletin Curriculum changes that were approved are: In addition to the University's requirements for admission stipulated earlier in this Bulletin, the applicant is expected to have attained replace [a minimum average of B] with [an excellent record] in his/her undergraduate major...."

Approved unanimously.

All courses listed as seminar courses be one credit.

Approved after a discussion by a 3-2 majority.

Change the name of 87010 from "Seminar Research at CUNY (3 credits)" to "Research at CUNY (3 credits)"

Approved unanimously.

Two new courses added to the curriculum:

79000 Independent Studies (1-3 credits)
89000 Independent Studies (1-3 credits)

Approved unanimously.