

Motion on Computer Science Upper-Division GPA Requirements
Passed by Admissions and Standards, November 12, 2007

Motion:

Effective immediately, the GPA requirements for 3000 and 4000 level Computer Science courses are repealed.

Rationale:

From: Charles Derby
To: Rainbolt, George
Date: 9/28/2007 11:06:16 AM
Subject: Removing GPA requirement for upper-division CSc courses

Dear George,

Currently in Computer Science, upper division courses have a minimum GPA requirement of 2.3 for enrollment. The Dean's Office requests that the Senate Committee on Admissions and Standards to remove this requirement.

Our rationale is the following. Due to the GPA restrictions, many students are taking longer to graduate, as they have to take additional hours to raise their GPA. The national trend in lower enrollments in the computing field is contributing to fewer graduates as well. These two issues coupled together are resulting in smaller classes for our upper division courses in CSc. So in order to reverse this trend, the CSc faculty has voted to remove the minimum GPA requirements, and the Dean's Office supports their request.

Sincerely,

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