Memorandum

To: Academic Senate Review Committee
From: Kim P. Kihlstrom
Date: 4/17/2008
Re: Catalog changes, Computer Science

To address the concerns of the Review Committee, we would like to submit a revised proposal for the computer science major. We have made the following changes to the previous proposal.

We have returned to the 2007-2008 approved unit designations for a BS with emphasis and a BA with emphasis. The BS with emphasis now contains an additional 12 units of science coursework beyond the general BA, and an additional 8 units of science coursework beyond the BA with emphasis.

We have added the sentence, “A student completing an emphasis track will be required to demonstrate the manner in which computer science and the emphasis field are integrated through a reflective essay written as part of the Senior Seminar.”

We hope that the committee can now approve the proposal.

Along with these changes, we have also changed the designation of MA 15 to CS 15, as we are requesting that the course (MA 15 Discrete Mathematics) be cross-listed.

We respectfully request that the Review Committee indicate that the computer science major (all tracks) is not an alternative major. This is in recognition of the fact that it appears in the college catalog as one of the “officially approved departmental and interdepartmental majors” and as such is not an alternative major.