Tufts CS Student Council
Meeting Notes
April 6, 2021
7:00 – 8:30pm

Roundtable Introductions

Updates

- Comp5 - David
  - Finished all sessions
  - New class of comp TA
  - “I forgot to mention this, but having COMP05 be in-person was incredibly helpful both in terms of teaching the class and taking it.”
  - “I think this is true for most classes but it made a huge difference compared to last semester when it was online”
- JumboCode - Naoki
  - Final presentation towards the end of april
  - 7 projects
  - Organizing alumni panel event monday april 12 at 8pm
    - Help advertising through fb/email
    - 4 alumni
    - https://fb.me/e/URdKN6P (event link)
  - Progress is going better than expected
- PM’s application has been released and its due monday/tuesday of next week
  - https://forms.gle/6Lrf6AckpKQVkJm3A (application link)
  - TODO: Please help advertise [done]
- Comp40 - Ben
  - Going pretty well
  - Midterm has been one of the best results ever
  - Typical feedback results
- Comp105 - James
  - Took a spring break. Good feedback from that
  - New TF’s have been selected since all TF’s are seniors
  - Sococo OH and interactions. Integrated help center with sococo to incentivize student interaction
- Comp11 - Sam
  - Finished first project (new project)
  - Second exam on track
  - Noah Mendelson doing work on autograding to avoid “silly” diff issues
- Comp15 - Juli
- Great TA feedback
- Exams and HWs on track

- Member at Large - Igor
  - No spring break and students did not like that
  - Lower workload for 11 and 15, students from 40 complaining
  - Comp 11 and 15 are having a much greater time
  - Friends taking 15 and really enjoying it
  - **People do not have a clue about mentorship programs and comp 199**
    - **TODO: Improve communication**

- Comp 61 - Matt & Megan
  - Going pretty well
  - Grades average
  - Copying improved
  - Optional TA recitation for smaller groups (mixed results)

- PostBac - Megan
  - Good rotation and partnering up

- Grad - Jared
  - Looking forward to getting vaccinated and gathering in small groups
  - Hopeful about that

**Graduation Updates**
- Kathleen + Donna + 5 other faculty
- Department doing a synchronous graduation Saturday May 22nd
- Student Speakers on May 22nd (time tbd) (most likely 10AM)
  - 1 page / few paragraphs outlines

- Speaker Selection
  - Committee made a rec
  - Selected ones make a run to donna and Kathleen
  - Stamp of approval afterwards
- Ming’s survey → really important
  - **TODO: Department send email blast to non-seniors about department celebration of graduates**

**Next Semester**
- On Campus and In person
- Ton of uncertainty around city and state guidelines
- Faculty do not like hybrid
  - Worst of both worlds
  - Many students don’t come for the in-person portion
- Recitations and labs in person
- Scheduled to move into the new building in january
- Faculty hot-swapping in the fall (chaotic in space)

**Senior Alumni Mixer**
- Virtual
- Chance to meet alumni
- Save the date sent tomorrow
- Have a party

General announcements
- CS
  - TODO: Find out how is it going to look in the transcript
    - Will remain COMP for semesters when we used COMP
    - Investigating whether there will be an annotation explaining change
- Moving to cummings over winter break
- When will the T become available?
  - Information available here:
    - Looks like Spring 2022
- Tapia and Gc conferences app are open
  - Encourage people to apply to scholarships