

February 11, 2016

Dr. April Mason Provost and Senior Vice President Kansas State University 106 Anderson Hall

Subject: Department Name Change

The faculty of the Computing and Information Sciences department requests permission to change the name of the department from "Computing and Information Sciences" to "Computer Science". In February 2016, the department submitted a request to drop the Information Systems degree, making Computer Science the only undergraduate degree offered by the department. Thus, having the word "Information" in the title no longer fits the department. In addition, the new name is more recognizable and will simplify the recruitment of high school and graduate students who constantly ask if our department is the same as "computer science". The name change will also put our department more in line with the more common name of computer science used across the United States.

Prior to requesting this change, I personally discussed the name change with all departments in the College of Engineering as well as with the Assistant and Associate Deans. All were highly in favor of the change. The department faculty was also unanimous in their support of the change.

Thank for your consideration. Please let me know if you need any more information.

Sincerely,

Scott A. DeLoach
Department Head

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Darren Dawson Dean Approved February 11, 2016