



Dear Friends of the Computer Forum:

As the Director of the Stanford Computer Forum, I would like to welcome you to another exciting academic year of Computer Forum activities. The Computer Forum continues to offer many opportunities for our faculty, students, and industrial partners to work together to advance research and focus on real-life problems such as computer security, with an ultimate goal to place our students into highly regarded high-tech companies. Our students and research activities in the CS and EE Departments are greatly benefited by the reliable source of income from the 100-plus corporate members of the Forum. The Computer Forum helps Stanford maintain its world-class reputation in computer science and sponsors a variety of activities, including internships, research funding, jobs, opportunities to collaborate, and student support.

We are grateful for the many long term partnership we have built with many of our companies over the year. We continue to offer many opportunities for our faculty, students, and industrial partners to interact. Following are some highlights for the 2015-2016 academic year.

Recruiting. Our annual Career Fairs will be held this academic year on September 30, 2015 and January 13, 2016. In addition to the career fairs, the Forum is ready to help our member companies with on-campus interviews in the Gates Computer Science Building, assist with resume searches, coordinate information sessions where you can present your company to the undergraduate and graduate students, organize company tours, and post job listings. The Computer Forum also helps students prepare to meet our member companies through Career Strategy Workshops and Company Tours.

Faculty Liaison. The faculty liaison, a Professor of Computer Science and/or Electrical Engineering, maintains contact with you throughout the year through mutual visits and provides other information and services as requested. Faculty liaisons have proven useful year after year in establishing research collaboration, helping with recruiting, and delivering talks on current research to your employees. We will be happy to facilitate a visit, if you please let us know of your area of interest.

Visiting Scholars. Member companies can send a scientist or engineer to Stanford for a year or more under the Visiting Scholar Program. Visiting Scholars visit the lab of a specific faculty member and become part of existing research teams. Each Scholar receives office space with access to all facilities in the Computer Science or Electrical Engineering Departments. In addition, visitors can audit classes and attend colloquiums. Many visitors return to their companies with new skills and insights into the application of advanced technologies. They also make contacts and friends at Stanford that are useful after they return to their company.

Annual Meeting and Workshops (April 11-14, 2016). Save the date to attend our Annual Meeting and special workshops. The Annual Meeting will include presentations on some of the research being carried out by our faculty. In addition, poster sessions and other events will give you a chance to meet our graduate students and hear about their research projects. Check our website in February 2016 to see the Annual Meeting program. We will send another letter when registration opens to make sure you have a chance to join us on campus in April.

The Computer Forum continues to post news and information on the Forum website at <http://forum.stanford.edu>. This site features Research Spotlight, up-to-date event calendars, member benefits, links to research group information, and faculty profiles. I encourage you to check this website frequently to see what's new in the Stanford Computer Science and Electrical Engineering Departments.

Lastly, we want to express our appreciation to you for your continued support of our academic and research activities. We have enjoyed meeting you and other representatives. We anticipate an exciting year working in partnership with you and we'll look for you at the Annual Meeting in April!

Sincerely,

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