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External graduate supervisor policy for Dept of Computer Science

1. Approving external faculty

Full-time faculty from other departments may supervise computer science graduate students. The main criteria for approval as external graduate supervisors are:

a. A computer science faculty member supports the external faculty member's participation in the program. This support should be primarily based on whether he or she has an active history of collaboration with the external faculty member, or foresees such collaboration being a realistic possibility in the future.

b. The MSc committee will make a recommendation to the department for approval. For this purpose, the external faculty member should already have the support of a faculty member of the department, and should have also submitted a current CV, and sample publications, for perusal by the department.

2. Duration of supervisory participation

External graduate supervisors may have their positions renewed by the department during the time of scheduled graduate program reviews. Approval for continuing as a graduate supervisor will be based on active participation in the program during the previous period, and the successful graduation of MSc students he or she has supervised. If an external graduate supervisor has not supervised any computer science students, nor attempted to find a student to supervise, then he or she will be delisted as an external graduate supervisor.

3. Supervisory procedure

Any external graduate supervisor must have one computer science faculty member as a co-supervisor for each student being supervised. The funding for the student will be their responsibility to establish between themselves.