

Addendum to CS Request for GE rooms for CS Labs

We would like to suggest a compromise to the most recent request from The Department of Computer Science and Engineering. We were able to allocate all Winter 2022 labs into 3 CHUNG rooms (WCH 127, 129 and 132) thereby vacating three rooms for CS Departmental use. Despite this, the need for all the rooms to be vacated is still present due to unprecedented, unplanned, unwanted growth of CS, both at graduate and undergraduate level. The plan was to move a few sections out to GE rooms in Spring and get their labs into only **one** CHUNG room by Fall 2022. However, due to space need of CS would like to ask for help to speed up that process.

We have reworked the estimated lab sections and hours to require only **$\frac{1}{2}$ of one room of pre-assignment**. If feasible and the CSC approves, we could fit 50% (15 sections) of these classes into a pre-assigned room from 8AM to 1PM. The remaining 50% of sections can then be scheduled in the usual non-prioritized way resulting in (most probably) evening hours. This accomplishes three goals: (1) it gets CS the DP rooms they need for accommodate unplanned growth and (2) more evenly distributes the course load throughout the day which is better for students and (3) greatly reduces the person-hours that would be required to schedule these sections by scheduling staff in the Registrar's office and in BCOE.

Computer Science is one of the fastest growing majors on campus and elsewhere. Our own numbers have seen an increase of over 500 CS majors in the last four years, not accounting for surge in F21. This growth is good for UCR, but creates enormous strain on faculty and resources for CS. While we want to help UCR grow, we need help to support this growth.

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