A Message from the Chair

It is my pleasure to welcome to you the faculty profiles of the Department of Computer Science at the University of Vermont (UVM). Computer Science is a research-oriented department that aspires to be a center of excellence in teaching computer science at all levels, emphasizing both long-term academic preparation and shorter-term economic importance, as well as excellence in research and graduate education by developing strengths in a small number of focused research areas and by exploiting Computer Science's unique opportunities for collaboration with other strong research areas at the University.

Our faculty in Computer Science is involved in the forefront of research in three thrust areas: computational biology, data mining, and distributed systems, that complement University-wide initiatives in computational sciences, energy/environment, and life sciences, and contribute towards the college-wide spire of excellence in Complex Systems in the College of Engineering and Mathematical Sciences. Our interdisciplinary work cuts across all areas of campus, with current emphasis in bioinformatics and ecological modeling. We publish in prestigious journals and conferences in Computer Science; have significant research grants from federal agencies (such as NSF, NIH, DOD, and DOE); serve on first-rate journal editorial boards, top-tier conference committees, NSF/NIH/DOE review panels, and leading professional societies; and have won international society awards.

The Department currently has nine tenure-track/tenured faculty, two research faculty, and four senior lecturers. This collection of profiles of our faculty will present you with some useful information about this group of scholars and teachers. Along with the dedicated and strong administrative support from Penni French in the Department Office, we believe we have an excellent Computer Science program at UVM.

I hope you enjoy reading this brochure. If you need more information about our faculty or the Department, please visit our department home page at **http://www.cs.uvm.edu/**

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