

Exhibit A
Lehigh University
Computer Science Capstone (CSC)
Student Acknowledgement Agreement and Release

The Computer Science Capstone Program (“CSC”) is a collaborative, project-based program (“CSC Program”) that matches a multidisciplinary student team with an industry sponsor (“Sponsor”) to work on a real-world project (“Project”).

I, _____ {print name}, am a student participant in a CSC Project with _____ {name of Sponsor}, which is governed by the terms of a CSC Sponsor Agreement. I, intending to be legally bound, represent and agree that:

1. I am at least eighteen (18) years of age;
2. I have read and understand this Acknowledgment, Agreement, and Release.
3. I am participating in this educational Project voluntarily and with an understanding of my responsibilities as a participant, including that I must comply with the University’s Code of Conduct, all other applicable University policies and rules, as well as all policies, rules, and procedures of my Sponsor.
4. I assign to my CSC Project Sponsor all of my rights, title, and interest in any invention, improvement, or discovery arising out of the CSC Project. In addition, I agree to cooperate with the Sponsor and sign all future agreements or documents necessary to evidence my assignment and the Sponsor’s ownership rights under this paragraph 4.
5. By virtue of my participation as a student team member in Lehigh University’s CSC Program, I may have access to confidential information¹ about the business and products of my Project Sponsor and the Sponsors of other projects.
6. Since the CSC Program is an academic program, all students will be required to submit materials or make presentations about their Projects to receive academic credit. This means that each student team may be sharing confidential Sponsor information with other students, faculty, and staff involved with the CSC.
7. I should not be asked to, and I should not sign a Confidentiality, Non-Disclosure, or Secrecy Agreement with my Sponsor. However, by signing this Agreement and Release, I am agreeing that I will only share confidential Sponsor information with other members of the CSC Program, including students, faculty, and staff, for the academic purposes of the CSC.

8. I understand the above statements concerning confidentiality and that willful or unauthorized disclosure of confidential information violates Lehigh University’s policies and could result in disciplinary action including immediate termination of my status as a CSC team member and/or a reduced grade from the CSC.
9. I understand that the University does not supervise, monitor, or control the Project working conditions at the Sponsor’s site, nor does the University provide any health or other personal insurance for me when I participate in this Project;
10. Transportation to and from the Sponsor’s site is my responsibility;
11. I am required to inquire about all Sponsors’ rules, procedures, and health and safety regulations;
12. I may not engage in any Projects that involve working with weapons or alcohol;
13. I am not authorized to bring any Sponsor equipment or materials onto Lehigh University property without first consulting with, and obtaining approval from, my CSC Advisor.
14. I hereby release and waive any claims, losses and causes of action against Lehigh University, its trustees, officers, faculty, employees or agents, resulting from my voluntary participation in this Project; and
15. The Sponsor’s Company Mentor will be evaluating my performance and agree that my CSC Advisor and the Company Mentor may discuss my performance for purposes of grading and awarding academic credit.

Student’s Signature

Date

Print Student’s Name

Supervisor’s Signature

Date

Copies: Student, CSC Program

¹ “Confidential Information” shall mean only information of Sponsor that is marked or identified as “CONFIDENTIAL” in writing and in a conspicuous manner at the time it is disclosed to students.