

Re: Sharing your news with the other HCI faculty within iSchool

Matt Huenerfauth

Mon 5/17/2021 10:33 PM

To: Mingming Fan <mxfics@rit.edu>;

Hi Mingming,

FYI – I’m going to reach out to Kristen, Roshan, Garreth, Tom, and Mick tonight to let them know about your departure.

Is Emily interested in working with any GCCIS faculty? It would be OK for iSchool HCI folks to reach out to Emily now. I suspect the dean’s enthusiasm for covering additional years of Emily’s studies was also so that it could help some junior GCCIS faculty get their research program’s started. I did not specifically discuss with the dean the possibility of Emily switching to a COLA faculty – so I would need to check with the dean if that is Emily’s wish. Just keep me posted on where things are headed, and I’ll follow up with the dean.

Also, I think Rhonda will reach out soon to confirm your plans for handing over keys and other official steps at the end of June. She wasn’t sure if you were planning on staying in Rochester up to June 30 – or if you were thinking of leaving town sooner; so, she thought it would be safest to reach out now – so that she can reserve time on her calendar to meet up with you whenever it is most convenient in late June (or earlier if you prefer). She knows that you would be remaining in affiliate status – so she will do some paperwork for your computer accounts, etc.

Best wishes,
Matt

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Subject: RE: Sharing your news with the other HCI faculty within iSchool

Hi Matt,

I’m glad to hear that RIT has made a follow-up plan to run a new faculty hire. It is indeed good to know that a new faculty member will fill in my vacancy soon.

Thank you so much again for your kind consideration. It would be great if you could help negotiate a match. I'd like to let you know that Cissi is a member of Emily's RPA committee. Since she has shown strong interest in Emily's current research, I've informed her of my situation and she is willing to consider to take her. We have scheduled a meeting next week to talk about it.

I was waiting for your update to pick the best possible time to minimize any potential effect. Now that I received your email this afternoon, I felt it would be safe for me to inform my HCI colleagues. I just emailed HCI faculty members to inform them my departure.

I will continue to execute the duty of my current position till the end of June. After that, I will continue to advise the 10 MS capstone students as their Chair and 5 MS capstone students as their committee member. Hopefully, I would be able to help them graduate by the end of this year.

Thank you so much again for your thoughtful arrangement and kind considerations. I am very grateful for your support during my stay at RIT.

Sincerely,
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Hi Mingming,

I wanted to reach out to let you know that I have received information from the dean that the Provost will support our running a faculty search (to occur next year, for hiring in Fall 2022) to fill your position after your departure. With this reassuring news in place, I was hoping that we can now reach out to some of the HCI faculty within iSchool to let them know of your upcoming departure – if you haven't already reached out to them.

This would also allow me to reach out some iSchool HCI faculty to see if they would like to work with Emily – perhaps I can help with negotiating a match here. The dean has confirmed her willingness to provide 1 (perhaps 2) years support for Emily if this helps with her making a good match with one of the HCI faculty within iSchool.

How would you like for this notification of the HCI faculty to occur? Would you like to email or reach out to some folks individually yourself? Would you like me to share news with some folks on your behalf?

Thanks,
Matt

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