**2013-2014 UC Berkeley Master of Engineering**

**Capstone Project Proposal**

**Overview:**

The Capstone Project, a 5-unit Master of Engineering course requirement, integrates core leadership coursework with a student’s engineering concentration. Capstone Project teams range from three to ﬁve students, drawn from the cross-disciplinary engineering cohort, to apply diverse knowledge and skills to actual industry problems, identiﬁed by faculty or industry partners. The Fung Institute for Engineering Leadership within the College of Engineering provides capstone cohort support and curriculum integration.

**Capstone Sponsor Information:**

Please read the following instructions and requirements before submitting your proposal. In order to be considered, this document must be completed in full. By submitting this proposal, you agree to its inclusion in the *UC Berkeley Master of Engineering Capstone Project Portfolio* for the 2013-14 Academic Year. Use of links, diagrams and images to illustrate your project is encouraged. Example projects can be found here: <http://funginstitute.berkeley.edu/programs/capstone-projects>

**Timeline for submission and important deadlines:**

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| **Year** | **Dates** | **Activity** |
| **2013** | **March** | **Capstone Project Call for Proposals** |
|  | **By April 1** | Submit a one-sentence description of your project idea. |
|  | **By May 1** | **Full Project Proposals due**  Please use the proposal form supplied. |
|  | **May-July** | **Proposal Review –** screening for skill set and objective fit with incoming M.Eng. class**.** |
|  | **July-August** | **Student Project Exploration**  Industry advisors should be available for questions and interview screening of students during this time. |
|  | **August 12-31** | **Capstone Team Selection Process, Sponsor and Faculty office hours** |
|  | **September 1-12** | **Capstone Final Match:** Notification no later than Sept 12 |
|  | **Early December** | **Fall Student Poster Session** |
| **2014** | **Early May** | **Spring Student Poster Session** |
|  | **May 1-17** | **Final Student Presentations and Deliverables** to Industry & Faculty Advisors |

If selected for the 2013-2014 Capstone Project Portfolio you will be responsible for sponsoring and adhering to the terms you outline below. **As the Capstone Sponsor, please *initial* the following requirements by which you are agreeing to the following:**

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CBS Provide a point person from your organization to advise the capstone team on a regular basis and throughout the whole duration of the project

CBS Supply all necessary tools, software, and/or data necessary to do the project in a timely manner

CBS Ensure the project has achievable deliverables that fit into a 9-month timeframe

CBS Provide clear objectives for both the technical and business-related challenges of the

project

By signing below you are indicating that you completed this form to the best of your knowledge and are agreeing to all the requirements of UC Berkeley’s Capstone Project Program as listed above.

We look forward to working with you!

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**Proposal Form (please complete all sections):**

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| **Project Title** | **Security and Risk Analysis at Yahoo: 3 projects** |
| **Industry Partner**  Company Name, Department, and Website | **Yahoo, Identity Management**  **Entry Point:** [**https://login.yahoo.com**](https://login.yahoo.com)**. But whole account lifecycle falls into this.** |
| **Problem**  (Describe the industry problem your project addresses in 100 words or less.) | **Companies like Yahoo must manage account identity and security for millions of users. Many of the current practices for user authentication do not provide the proper balance between ease of use and robustness of security. There is a potential for three projects (in order of priority):**   1. **Security for Internet companies that balance ease of use for user with robustness of protection.** 2. **Detecting and mitigating abuse/security breaches.** 3. **New user authentication schemes** |
| **Technical Challenge**  (Highlight the technical challenge of the problem in 100 words or less) | **Abuse and Security models are easily adoptable by hackers. Based on the previous history, hackers need less than half of the time to compromise the models that originally require months of months research and development. On the other hand, If you make the account login experience really horrifying (with too many captcha, security questions, images etc.), the drop off rate of legit users is very high. The biggest challenge is to come up with dynamic ML models that doesn’t require lot of user intervention.** |
| **Objective**  (In 100 words or less, use bullet format and ensure objective is practical for a 9 month project) | **For all projects:**   * **Understand the underlying technologies, the current practices and the emerging technologies.** * **Formulate and select new approaches based on technology, market analysis (i.e., user attitudes), and business model.** * **Develop and test prototype** |
| **Project Illustration (Optional)**  Include websites, videos, diagrams or images to help students understand your project |  |
| **Open or Closed Model – Please check one:**  Open Model (Public collaborative and may use university lab equipment) or Closed Model (Virtual internship, private, with faculty liaison)  \* Please list the necessary equipment, software or data that is needed and will be provided to the team. | Please select one and clearly outline what, if any, resources will be provided:  Open Model/Public collaborative  **Tools and Equipment that will be provided include:**  X Closed Model/Virtual internship  **Tools and Equipment that will be provided include:** |
| **Ideal Team Size**  (We prefer teams of 4 students, unless otherwise specified) | **3-4** |
| **Departments Accepted**  (Choose from CEE, EECS, IEOR, ME, MSE, NE. Indicate ideal team makeup and technical concentrations desired, i.e.  “1 CEE ; 1 EECS; 2 IEOR”) | **IEOR, EECS**  *Please indicate your ideal team makeup by specifying the technical concentrations desired.*  BIOE= Bioengineering General Program  CEE = Civil & Environmental Engineering  EECS = Electrical Engineering & Computer Science  IEOR = Industrial Engineering & Operations Research  MSE = Materials Science & Engineering  ME = Mechanical Engineering  NE = Nuclear Engineering |
| **Specific Skills Required**  (i.e. *C/C++/C#, Python ,CAD, Robot Kinematics, MATLAB, Excel Financial Modeling, etc.*)  The more detail provided here the better team match you will receive. | **Knowledge of internet protocols**  **JAVA**  **Preferred: Background in Internet Security** |
| **Coursework**  (Indicate any recommended/required prerequisite/co-requisite classes) |  |
| **Industry Advisor(s)**  **Name, Email, Phone Number**  \*If this is a closed model an Industry Point Person from your organization is required for the duration of the project and must be available to advise the team on a regular basis and provide all necessary resources | **Balasubrahmanyam Chaturvedula**  **[aluc@yahoo-inc.com](mailto:baluc@yahoo-inc.com" \t "_blank)**  **(408) 431-5562** |
| **Faculty Advisor(s) or Academic Liaison**  **Name, Department, and Email**  \*If this is an open model the Faculty Advisor or Academic Liaison is the primary party responsible for the advising and guidance of the capstone team, including providing all the necessary resources | **Don Wroblewski**  **dewroblewski@berkeley.edu** |