

May 1, 2009

**Subject: Curriculum Changes in the 2009-2010 Calendar,
B.Comp.Sci. – Computer Applications Option**

Dear Student,

This letter is to advise you of changes in the curriculum of the Computer Science program. These changes will appear in the 2009-2010 Calendar. All options have been revised and two new options will be offered (Web Services and Applications, and Computer Games). You can view the 2009-2010 program requirements and course descriptions at the following website: http://registrar.concordia.ca/calendar/pdf/calendar_pdf.html

Students already enrolled in the Computer Science program may **choose** to transfer to the new curriculum.

If you choose NOT to transfer into the new curriculum,

- You **are required to follow** the curriculum specified in the calendar of the year in which you were **admitted, readmitted or transferred into your current option.**
- However, **please note that COMP 239 and COMP 229 will be offered for the last time** in Fall 2009. If you have not yet completed these courses, you should register for them and complete them by Fall 2009.

If you choose to transfer to the new curriculum of the Computer Applications Option,

- You **must** fill out a Student Request Form available at Student Academic Services (SAS) in EV 2.125 to inform us of your decision to transfer to the new curriculum.
- The **last date** to submit your form to SAS is 31 August 2009. If you do not submit your form by this date, it will be assumed that you do not wish to transfer.
- Please **note** the changes listed on the following page and adjust your selection of courses accordingly.

If you decide to transfer into a different option (say, Web Services and Applications, or Computer Games), you must fill out a Change of Concentration Form available at Student Academic Services (SAS) in EV 2.125. In that case, the changes listed on the following page may only be used as general guidelines.

Important Changes to the Computer Applications Option

Please note that special arrangements have been made to accept previously required courses into the new curriculum. The information below is therefore applicable **only** to students who transfer from the **previous** curriculum into the **new** curriculum and have completed one or more courses listed below **prior to the Fall Term 2009**.

1. The following courses are no longer required as part of your program:

- a) *COMP 229 System Software*
If you have already completed COMP 229, it will be accepted as a Computer Science Elective, or as a General Elective.
- b) *COMP 239 Mathematics for Computer Science II*
If you have already completed COMP 239, it will be accepted as a Computer Science Elective, or as a Mathematics Elective, or as a General Elective.
- c) *COMP 353 Databases*
If you have already completed COMP 353, it will be accepted as a Computer Science Elective, or as a General Elective.

2. COMP 238 has been renumbered to COMP 232.

3. The following courses will now be part of your program:

- a) *COMP 233 Probability and Statistics for Computer Science*
- b) *COMP 348 Principles of Programming Languages*
- c) *ENCS 393 Social and Ethical Dimensions of Information and Communication Technologies*

4. The following new requirements will now be in place:

- a) Students must satisfy the requirements for a Minor program in any other department in the University, and must declare this Minor.
- b) Students must complete 6 credits of Mathematics Electives, 19 credits of Computer Science Electives, and 27 credits of Minor and General Electives.