



Committee on Information Technology

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To: Kenneth Barish, Chair
Riverside Division

From: John Franchak, Chair
Committee on Information Technology

Re: Review Item: Master of Science (M.S.) degree in Artificial Intelligence (AI)

Although the Artificial Intelligence proposal states “All technical resources required for the proposed M.S. in Artificial Intelligence program are already available within CSE and ECE, including computing infrastructure, library resources, teaching laboratories, and research facilities”, the IT Committee requests a more thorough plan for technological resources. Computing resources for artificial intelligence are non-trivial and continue to change. The proposal should enumerate specific needs in categories such as data storage, compute (internal and external), software licenses for 3rd party tools, and security requirements for students to access resources. The proposal should be explicit in stating which existing CSE and ECE resources can be provisioned to meet those needs (possibly including letters of support to confirm). We encourage the proposers to consult with campus IT about the adequacy of infrastructure and report a plan for meeting the needs of the new program.