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Dean's Review of the PPR Report
Computer Science

The PPR Report and the External Review Team Report for CS has been reviewed at the dean's level. Here are the findings and follow up activities:

1. **Graduation Rates and Time to Degree:** The Review Team is correct in noticing the inconsistency in the graduation rates of graduate students in Computer Science. However, the graduation is within the limit stipulated by the university. The CS program attracts both full-time and part-time graduate students. The full-time students, of course, graduate faster while the part-time students take longer. The department is offering more graduate courses and scheduling more courses in summer to improve time to graduate.
2. **Graduate Orientation:** The College has instituted a formal orientation program for all incoming students.
3. **Additional courses in critical areas:** The Department has added several new courses. However, many of the areas that the Review Team has recommended can only be offered with the addition of new faculty. The CS Department is adding three new faculty members for 2015-16. So, this is work in progress.
4. **Admission quality:** The minimum GPA for students from non-ABET accredited programs has been raised to 3.0 from 2.5. This is expected to improve student quality.
5. **Language Proficiency:** The CS department adheres to the university policy on this.

Overall, the Computer Science program has addressed the recommendations for improvement.