Program Proposal
Form B

Academic Group (College): College of Engineering and Computer Science
Date of Submission to College Dean: February 26, 2007

Academic Organization (Department): Computer Science Department
Requested Effective: Fall X, Spring__, 2007__

Department Chair: Du Zhang
Contact if not Department Chair:

Title of the Program: M.S. in Software Engineering

Type of Program Proposal:

X__ Modification in Existing Program:
    ___ Substantive Change
    X__ Non-Substantive Change
    ___ Deletion of Existing Program

______ New Programs
    ___ Initiation (Projection) of New Program on to Master Plan
    ___ New Degree Programs
        ___ Regular Process
        ___ Fast Track Process
        ___ Pilot Process
    ___ New Minor, Concentration, Option, Specialization, Emphasis
    ___ New Certificate Program

PLEASE NOTE: Form B is to be used only as a Cover Form. Additional information is requested for each of the above as noted in the corresponding procedure in the Policies and Procedures for Initiation, Modification, Review and Approval of Courses and Academic Programs found at http://www.csus.edu/acaf/univmanual/index.htm

Briefly describe the program proposal (new or change) and provide a justification.

1. Add CSC 134, Database Management and File Organization, to the program admission requirements. This requirement will ensure better preparation for graduate course work and better evaluation of applicants' overall academic background. Because almost all graduate program applicants have database course background, the addition of this requirement will not adversely impact the number or expectations of applicants.

2. Remove CSC 204 from "B. Software Engineering Electives (6 units)." This change is intended to enhance the degree education by requiring every student in the program to take two software engineering electives from those listed in the revised list. It does not exclude the option of taking CSC 204 as an elective because students can take it as one of the restricted electives.

Approvals:

Department Chair: Date: 2/27/2007

College Dean: Date: 3/23/07

University Committee: Date:

Associate Vice President and Dean for Academic Affairs: Date:
ANALYSIS OF PROGRAM CHANGE PROPOSAL
FOR THE M.S. IN SOFTWARE ENGINEERING
February 26, 2007

1. Form B: Attached.

2. Programmatic or Fiscal Impact on Other Academic Units’ Programs.

   There will be no programmatic or fiscal impact on other academic units’ programs.

3. Fiscal Analysis of Proposed Changes.

   a. How will the proposed changes be accommodated within department/college existing fiscal resources?

      No additional resources are needed.

   b. If the proposed changes will require additional resources, describe the level and nature of additional funding the college will seek.

      N/A.

   c. What additional space, equipment, operating expenses, library, computer, or media resources, clerical/technical support, or other resources will be needed? Estimate the cost and indicate how these resource needs will be accommodated.

      N/A.
4. New/Old Program Requirements

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Formal Methods in Software Engineering (fully classified graduate status in Computer Science or Software Engineering)

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Prior to taking an elective course, students must obtain approval from their advisor, and either the graduate coordinator or the department chair. Students should choose their electives according to the following guidelines:

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2. Related 200-level courses from outside the Computer Science Department may only be taken with prior department approval and may not have been used in another program.

D. Culminating Requirement (2-5 units)
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CSC 500 Master’s Thesis (CSC 209; advanced to candidacy) OR
CSC 502 Master’s Project (CSC 209; advanced to candidacy)

Note: Students are required to make an oral presentation of their master’s project or conduct an oral defense of their master’s thesis. The recommended department-level deadline in each semester for submitting an MS project or thesis signed by the committee chair and its members to the graduate coordinator’s office is 10 weekdays prior to the University deadline.

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