

## 1. Scheduling constraints:

- Unavailable dates: Sep. 5<sup>th</sup>, Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> - Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>, 2005.
- Preferred dates: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays during Sep. 1<sup>st</sup> – Sep. 20<sup>th</sup>, 2005
- Start and end of the Fall term: Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>, 2005 – Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2005
- Time and day of the week of any regular colloquium series: NA

## 2. Means of advertising to interested parties:

We will send advertising emails to mailing lists of undergraduates and local women organizations including *Society of Women Engineers*, *Alpha Gamma Delta*, *African Women's Association*, *Muslim Women at UAB*, *Alpha Omicron Pi*, *Alpha Xi Delta*, and *Sigma Gamma Rho*. In addition, emails will be sent to and flyers will be distributed to related departments in UAB School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, School of Engineering, and School of Business. News and schedules about this event will be posted on the web sites of Computer and Information Sciences Department at UAB, UAB School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, and the main site of UAB. We will also collaborate with UAB ADVANCE program (<http://www.uab.edu/advance/>) to make this event visible to more female faculty members across UAB, and thus hopefully to reach more female students at UAB. For even greater impact, advertising emails and flyers will also be sent to nearby colleges including Samford University, Birmingham-Southern College, Virginia College at Birmingham, and Andrew Jackson University.

## 3. Contact people:

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#### 4. Information about the institution:

- Airport: Birmingham International Airport (BHM)  
Birmingham International Airport is located **5 miles** from the UAB campus. It is served by 7 airlines and offers over 150 flights daily to major cities throughout the US as well as connecting service to destinations worldwide through airports such as Atlanta Hartsfield. More information can be found on their website at <http://www.bhamintlairport.com/>.  
  
Once at BHM, the airport is serviced by 5 taxi companies as well as 6 rental car agencies (Alamo, Avis, Budget, Enterprise, Hertz, National). For driving directions from BHM to CIS, follow the signs to I-20 West/I-59 South and then follow the directions [From the East on I-20 \[Atlanta/BHM Airport\]](#) above.
- Degrees offered in CIS/UAB:  
Its [undergraduate program](#) provides a Bachelor of Science degree with the opportunity to minor in another discipline as well as co-op programs with local industry. CIS also offers programs of study leading to [MS and PhD degrees](#), as well as an [inter-disciplinary Bioinformatics program](#).
- Size of program in CIS/UAB:  
Undergraduate program:  
Number of undergraduate students: 300  
Percentage of women: 15%

Graduate program:

Number of graduate students:

37 Ph.D. students (12 female Ph.D. students)

51 MS students (11 female MS students)

Percentage of women: Ph.D. (32%), MS (21%)

Faculty:

Number of faculty: 11 professors and instructors

Percentage of women: 10% (1 female faculty)