

Term Report

1. General responsibilities of graduate representative

The responsibilities of graduate representative for Fall'09 term were as follow:

- *Represent the Computer Science Society at CS Graduate Community Meetings*
- *Represent the Computer Science Society at Graduate Student Advisory Committee*
- *Take active part in the Computer Science Society council meetings and events organized by the society (organization + attendance)*
- *Inform graduate students about activities and decisions of Computer Science Society council*

I have fulfilled all the graduate representative responsibilities.

2. Present and future tasks

There were four main tasks I wanted to focus on as the graduate representative, in addition to general duties related to this position:

- *Graduate pot-luck parties*
The graduate pot-luck party organized in September was a success. The next party is planned after the exam period is over. The recommendation for the next term is to keep organizing graduate pot-luck party bi-monthly.
- *Graduate students seminars*
The Computer Science Society decided to extend the idea of graduate students seminars. The seminars/workshops will be open to all CS students. Most of the preparation have already been done. We set the time and place of the meetings and created a tentative schedule for the first weeks. The recommendation for the next term is to start and administrate the seminars.
- *Graduate students meeting space*
The graduate meeting space is a complex problem which is greatly dependent on the overall space allocation plans at Dalhousie University. So far the faculty was unable to designate such space. As no decisions can be made before the new graduate space in Coburg building is available the recommendation for the next year is to monitor the space allocation process and come back to the idea in the appropriate moment.
- *Dalhousie Association of Graduate Students*
Dalhousie Association of Graduate Students invited graduate CS students to become their members. I served as a contact person between DAGS, CSS council and graduate CS students. Together we decided that the most suitable way of deciding whether graduate CS students should join DAGS is referendum. This term we resolved all issues related to the referendum and potential joining DAGS. The recommendation for the next term is to advertise and run the referendum in the first weeks of Winter term.