

Industrial Affiliates Program

Department of Computer Science and Engineering

Texas A&M University

Charter

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The Industrial Affiliates Program (IAP) is a group of industry representatives who have a professional interest in the well-being of the Texas A&M University Department of Computer Science and Engineering and are willing to help us form and achieve our goals.

The purpose of the program is to improve relationships between the department and industry. That is, to improve the department's knowledge of industry needs and practices, to keep industrial affiliates informed about the department's research and teaching goals, to help the department better prepare students for real-world careers, to help place students, and to make department/industry collaborations more likely.

Benefits of Membership

- Influence on the curriculum; IAP members can give feedback on graduates, on teaching aims and approaches, and let us know what they see as significant long-term industry trends
- Network with other IAP members
- Another opportunity to help us increase diversity in our student population
- Additional exposure to our students through invitation to speak in the senior seminar course
- Company logo on our web site, in our publications, and on a wall display
- Information exchange, gaining information from our faculty about current research directions and projects that are synergistic with the company's goals
- Attendance at a twice-yearly industrial affiliates meeting (one in the fall and one in the spring) where research will be presented and faculty members and students are accessible.
- Visit to your company by the Computer Science Department head and faculty members in relevant areas (gold level only)
- Invitation to a group of your company's employees to visit the department, with the agenda tailored to your interests (silver and gold levels only)

Levels of Membership

There are three levels of membership. Companies can self-select based on desired level of benefits. Recommended donation amounts and associated benefits are listed below.

Level	Company Size	Exposure	Representation	Cost/Yr	# Scholarships
Bronze	< = 20	Plaque	2	\$ 2,500	1
Silver	21-100	Plaque, pubs	3	\$ 5,000	2
Gold	> 100	Plaque, pubs, web	4	\$10,000	4

Company Size: number of employees

Exposure:

- Web: logo placed on our web site with a link to your company's web site
- Pub: logo will appear in our newsletter(s)
- Plaque: logo will appear on a plaque placed in a prominent position in the department

Representation: number of company representatives who can attend the IAP meetings

Cost/Yr and # of Scholarships: Membership fee includes the indicated number of scholarships, which are \$1500 each. The remainder of the fees will be used to cover the cost of the program and to help the department in areas of need.

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Membership Form
Academic Year 2011 - 2012

Yes, my company, _____, would like to join Texas A&M University Department of Computer Science and Engineering **Industrial Affiliates Program** for the 2010-2011 academic year, at the following level.

Gold - \$10,000

Silver - \$5,000

Bronze - \$2,500

Company Representative(s):

E-mail Address:

Please make your check payable to the **Texas A&M University** and mail it together with this form to:

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