

Student Computer Ownership Committee Annual Report

Academic Year 2015-2016

The members of the Committee:

Faculty: Grigoriev, Roman (Physics), Gunter, Brian (AE), Kim, Hyesoon (CoC-CS), Klein, Ben (ECE), Li, Lisha (Library), Summet, Jay (CoC-CS)

Ex-Officio Representatives: Smith, Donald (Auxiliary Services), Milford, Garth (OIT), Golden Julie (OIT), Nguyen, Peter (Computer Store)

Faculty Executive Board Liaison: Lotempio, Johanna

Student representative: Mehan, Kunal

Chair: Grigoriev, Roman

Meetings: The committee met on November 13, 2015, December 10, 2015, and February 29, 2016

Summary: The primary goal of the committee was to update the Student Computer Ownership guide, and prepare a new version for the 2016-17 academic year. In collaboration with the Office of Information Technology, ResNet, and The Technology Store @ Georgia Tech, the committee addressed the minimal software and hardware requirements for the incoming undergraduate class as well as the resources available to them for help and support on campus.

The committee recommendations have been summarized in the 2016-17 Student Computer Ownership Guide as well as in the pages of the Student Computer Ownership website <http://www.sco.gatech.edu>. The 2016-17 Guide, as well as archived copies from previous years are also available at the same website.

The committee also discussed the need to redesign the Student Computer Ownership website in order to streamline the site layout and recommended merging the information presented on its pages in HTML format with the Student Computer Ownership Guide, currently available only in PDF format. The redesign to the website was delayed until the 2016-17 academic year due to the lack of support personnel at OIT that could implement the updates.

Respectfully submitted by Roman Grigoriev, Chair
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