GREP NEWS

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by the Computer Science Majors Committee

SELFIES WITH PROF. PETER

The CSMC is thrilled to announce a department-wide selfie competition! Anyone can participate - the next time you run into Prof. Pete, just ask for a selfie and submit it with the QR code below! Winners will be chosen based on creativity (bonus points for costumes). Keep your eyes peeled! (SC006 on Tuesday at 1:30 may be a good place to start...)

ON CHAIRS
BY ABBY KOTAR & POOJA HUDED

Like many students in the computer science department, we were startled when we came to class one day and discovered several of the chairs in SP-309 had been replaced due to wear. We needed to launch a full-scale investigation. We had a team of three expert chair reviewers sit in the new chairs and then the old ones. All three were immediately taken aback by the extreme up-rightedness of the chairs. They force incredibly good posture, which CS majors do need. The chair itself is a little stiff when trying to push it back–and if you do, beware! You might be propelled forward! Plus, the new arm rests have a unique clicking feature that divides the nation. One expert loves having a controlled resting place that allows some mobility. Yet others find them awful, as your arm can slip and ruin all your perfect code. The chairs have an absurd amount of lower back support, and the shape of the chair is wonderful. The mesh back is also magnificently comfy and provides ample support for hours upon hours of sitting in one place, as most CS majors do. The experts note the chairs roll well, but might be too large to successfully roll between the rows of 309. Instead, one could try rolling in circles, which may annoy professors. Overall, the experts are divided on what these new chairs bring to the table. No matter what we believe, we invite you to sit in a new chair and try it out for yourself.

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WOMEN IN STEM

This past month a group of 10 Vassar students traveled to Orlando, FL to attend the Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing, named for a VC alumna and professor. Despite some travel hiccups, the trip provided many useful resources for starting a tech career.

Have something to share with the CS department? Grep News is accepting submissions