April 24, 2019 — The Department of Computer Science at Utah State University will move from the College of Engineering to the College of Science effective July 1, 2019.

The announcement from the dean of the College of Engineering was made April 13 at a student forum. The Computer Science Department was originally housed in the College of Science before moving to the College of Engineering in spring 2012. Dean Jagath Kaluarachchi says the recommendation to return to the College of Science was made by the computer science faculty and endorsed by Provost Frank Galey. The move was also approved by the USU Board of Trustees and USU President Noelle Cockett.

Kaluarachchi said the move better aligns the Computer Science Department with its teaching and research goals. He stressed that the move in no way reflects the important connection between engineering disciplines and computer science. Engineers and computer scientists collaborate in many industries.

The move does not affect the curriculum of any computer science programs or academic opportunities including the computer science minor. Students are encouraged to meet with their academic advisor for more details.

Computer science undergraduate advisor Myra Brown will continue to provide advising services through the week of graduation. After May 2, she will relocate to Old Main room 427 in the Computer Science Department.

Computer science students who are graduating this spring will be recognized at the College of Engineering convocation on May 2. All engineering and computer science students are encouraged to participate in the event.

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