

SoCS Graduate Studies & MCTI/Cyber Updates

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Congratulations to Our Recently Completed Graduate Students!

PhD Defences

- Melanie McCaig - May 18th
- Hamed Haddadpajouh - May 30th
- Fatemeh Safari - August 22nd
- Timothy Martin - August 29th
- James Fraser - August 30th

Master's Defences

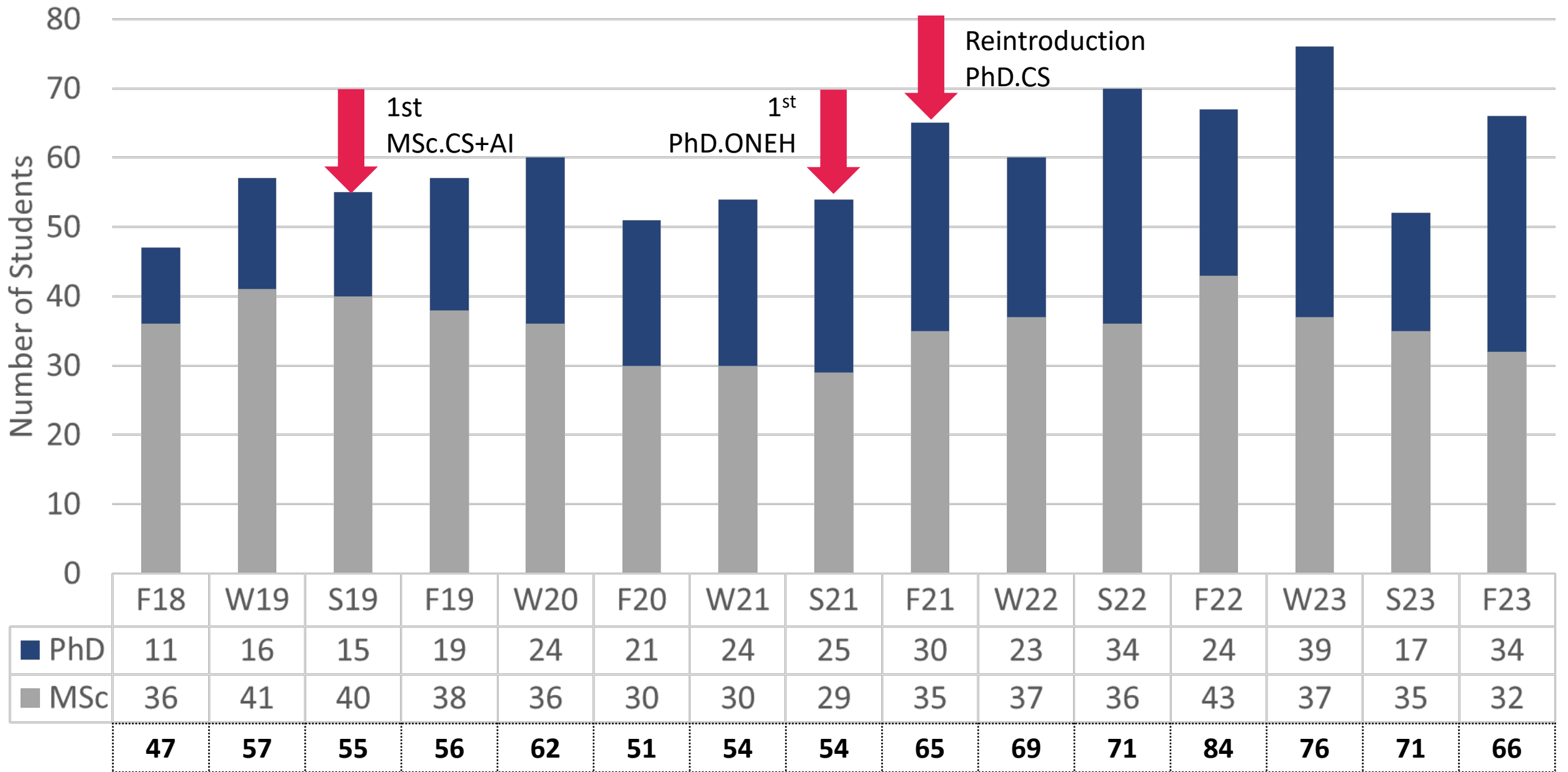
- Protim Roy - August 2nd
- Jeetendra (Viraj) Guntamukkala - August 23rd
- Zhentao Huang - August 24th
- Sina Radpour - September 5th
- Mahmoud Hazari - September 8th



Busy Summer/Fall in the Grad Studies Office!

Graduate Activity	S23	F23 (In Progress)	Total (to date)
PhD Defence	5	2	7
MSc Defence	5		5
Qualifying Exam	1	3	4
MSc Seminar	5	2	7
PhD Seminar (1 or 2)	6		6
Withdrawals	3	1	4

Grad Enrollment Summary, past 5 years



Current Grad Enrollments (excluding MCTI)

Semester	MSc	MSc+AI	PhD.CS	PhD.CSCI	PhD+ONEH	Total	Domestic/Int'l
F18	36		1	10		47	28/24
W19	41		1	15		57	29/28
S19	38	2	1	14		55	31/24
F19	35	3	1	18		56	36/26
W20	33	3	1	23		62	40/22
F20	25	5	1	20		51	
W21	24	6	1	23		54	36/18
S21	23	6	0	24	1	54	34/20
F21	27	8	1	28	1	65	42/23
W22	30	7	9*	22	1	69	48/21
S22	27	9	14	19	1	71	48/23
F22	32	11	17*	23	1	84	58/26
W23	28	9	17	21	1	76	53/23
S23	26	9	16	19*	1	71	51/20
F23	20	12	17	16	1	66	45/21
Semester	MSc	MSc+AI	PhD.CS	PhD.CSCI	PhD+ONEH	Total	Domestic/Int'l
New F22	7	2	4	3		16	11/5
New W23	1					1	1/0
New S23	2					2	2/0
New F23	2	3	2	2		9	3/9

Grad Curriculum Updates

- Accelerated Master's update
 - University is working on creating a 4+1 framework to enable Accelerated Master's programs across campus, e.g., solve the "double counting" centrally
 - Expected that each unit could tailor their program requirements, pathway to suit the discipline
- Will be exploring options with Curriculum Cmte to increase grad offerings, provide alternative pathways for grad students
 - Course-based Master's does not require a new program, just a program change
 - Possible to introduce a "field" without introducing a new program (like an area of specialization in undergrad)
 - Requesting more flexibility in CSAI program for a non-AI elective to better meet our breadth requirement and also better serve our non-AI courses

MCTI Enrollments

F23: total of 47 registered students

- 32 new
- 11 from W23
- 4 from F22 cohort
- 14 accepted offer but not show

W24:

- 12 deferrals from F23 to W24
- 23 accepted

MCTI Admissions Process: Handling admissions for a course-based program is complex

- ~80 offers were sent out for 40 spaces in F23
 - ~44 accepted, ~32 showed up, 12 deferred to W24
- Fall 2023/Winter 2024 intake had a rolling admissions window
- Different Int'l and Domestic deadlines
- Not sustainable going forward
 - Workload was hard to plan for staff / faculty assessing application files
 - Hard to compare applicants
 - Offers were being made too late for International students; many deferred to W24
- Firm and early deadlines are in place for F24/W24
 - All applicants F24: Feb 1st, with potential to reopen for domestic if space allows
 - All applicants W24: May 1st, with potential to reopen for domestic if space allows
- Currently discussion with OGPS deposit to confirm spot, similar to ugrad, to assist with planning

MCTI Processes

- Work with Cyber Cmte to start formalizing and documenting MCTI processes
 - Admissions
 - Degree pathways (this has been changing; uncertainty for students, staff)
 - Award selection
 - Internship selection
 - Project expectations and criteria (uncertainty for students and faculty)

Questions?