2015-16 was another exciting year for CSIT. We participated in many fun activities, welcomed new people to campus, and had visits from alumni and friends. We held our first ever cyber security camp, and continued assisting with the Kearney–area Coder Dojos, and Hour of Code events. We hired a new office associate, Carol Koch, said good-bye to lecturer Cate Anderson, while Dr. Matt Miller completed his first year.

For me, the most exciting part about being part of the CSIT Department is seeing students succeed, such as win Sam Middleton won the 5th annual Central Nebraska Business Idea contest with his Virtual Reality (VR) game. Our students are so creative! Since we started to focus on student-led projects by allowing students to design and develop their own projects, the innovative spirit has permeated throughout our programs. Students assist each other with learning and playing with new technologies.

We have students working on quad copters, security, and mobile apps. Students are becoming experts at VR development. This summer, we purchased the new HTC Vive and the commercially released Oculus Rift. I’m looking forward to seeing what the students create with these new devices—watch our student project & research website this fall for project updates.

I can only imagine what our students could achieve if we had more scholarships for them, so they wouldn’t have to seek outside employment until they are ready for an internship. For example, Sam created his winning VR game while having to work nights at a local hotel. If each CSIT alumni would graciously donate $20, we could endow the “CSIT Alumni and Friends Scholarship”. It’s well worth the cost of a pizza to pay it forward. I hope this is the year the alumni endow their named scholarship.

I want to thank the numerous business partners who attend the UNK Career Fairs & IT Breakfast and seek CSIT students for employment. This is especially meaningful to us when the business partners are themselves alums. Talk about paying it forward!

As always, I hope you enjoy reading about the CSIT events and happenings.

Sherri Harms, CSIT Chair
CSIT recently adopted VR resources and lab space for student projects. CSIT students quickly became innovators in the VR world using these resources. Each new version of VR hardware & software, and each new semester, brings opportunities for CSIT students to try new things and express their creativity. Additionally, each student project inspires more students to try their hands at VR development.

The first CSIT VR project was a snowboarding simulation by Daniel Russel in 2014. It used the first generation Oculus Rift VR display for head tracking and display along with the Wii Balance Board, to control the in-game snowboard. A video demonstration of the game is available at youtube.com/watch?v=KjTlZWYA04g&sns=em. In the spring of 2015, two students created VR projects using the Oculus Rift Development Kit (DK) 2. Ian Lim, created a “robots versus humans” VR first person shooter game. The most challenging aspect of the development process was making the robot have enough intelligence to target the human controlled player, but not enough intelligence that the human controlled character always lost. Sam Middleton, created a VR motorcycle racing game, rezo.wordpress.com/, that involved a player surviving on a motorcycle while avoiding walls and an artificial intelligent agent.

Middleton and Lim continued their VR work in the fall 2015 semester, where Lim created a 3D explorable world, and Middleton extended his motorcycle racing game. Matt Lueck and Ben Bomberger also tried their hand at creating a VR project in their Senior Capstone course, as they developed a VR 3D boxing game for the Oculus Rift. Lim continued created a VR space game in the spring 2016 for the Oculus Rift DK2, csit495.tumblr.com/.

Virtual reality will be a major contributor to new technologies and innovations for years to come. CSIT plans to stay on the leading edge of this field, proving the tools and resources needed to inspire student creativity and innovation so they can be successful in their VR classroom projects – enabling them to be successful entrepreneurs in virtual reality. In the summer of 2016, CSIT purchased the HTC Vive and the first commercial Oculus Rift. For more information, read unknews.unk.edu/2016/05/13/a-look-back-computer-science-it-students-innovate-in-virtual-reality-world/

Congratulations to CSIT student Sam Middleton who won the $1,000 first prize at the 5th Annual Central Nebraska Business Idea Contest with his VR motorcycle racing game. The game involves a player surviving on a motorcycle while avoiding walls and an artificial intelligent (AI) player. Players use the Oculus Rift to look and feel like they are actually riding the bike. Middleton created his game in spring 2015 as his AI class project. As he set out to improve his game in the fall Computer Graphics course, he used the latest version of the Unity game engine. Unfortunately, his motorcycle that worked perfectly in the previous version of Unity now moved straight up instead of straight forward. He was able to solve this problem and add the ability for the human player to jump over walls. View Sam's business idea pitch: youtube.com/watch?v=0M_B7mCIMy4.
Congratulations to the UNK CSIT robotics team who competed at the 14th annual UNK robotics competition, and at the regional Midwest Instructional Computing Symposium (MICS) robotics competition in Cedar Falls, IA on April 22nd, 2016. In the competition, student teams designed, built, and programmed robots to autonomously play min-golf, on a 3-hole miniature golf course. The robots also had to avoid obstacles along the way. In the implementation of their autonomous robots, student teams used advanced programming techniques and designed their robots to respond to various sensors. Students had to create the interplay between the physical design and the mental capacity they programmed into the robot in solving a problem.

The 14th annual local UNK robotics competition was held on April 19th. The teams shown below competed at this event. Three of the four teams also completed at MICS. Three students also competed in the MICS programming competition, Sean Stahly, Rachel Feddersen and Eduardo Salas. Sean Stahly also gave a presentation about his quadcopter project at MICS, and Dr. Harms presented on using student-led projects across the CS curriculum.
CSIT senior seminar students presented their projects on Wednesday, December 16th, 2015.

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<td>Oliver Avande</td>
<td>created a web app that uses the twitter streaming API to search for live tweets using keywords.</td>
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<td>Doug Perez</td>
<td>used a Kali Linux machine to do penetration testing to test the effectiveness of using a Linux server as a firewall/router.</td>
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<td>created a software update system for Mac computers in a corporate environment that allows end users to install updates without needing admin rights.</td>
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<td>Keathan Fertig</td>
<td>created a neural net machine learning system to recognize hand written text. Keathan has an interested in AI algorithms.</td>
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<td>Zachery Widger</td>
<td>created an automated testing suite for business guest connections. Quality assurance is an area that Zach plans to specialize in for his career.</td>
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<td>Jacob McCann</td>
<td>created a web-based lab asset manager. The project used PHP, JavaScript with JQuery and JTable plugins, HTML5, and CSS3 on a LAMP server.</td>
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The CSIT Advisory Council awarded Dr. Steve Goddard a service award in December 2015, for his six years of service on the council. In 2016, Dr. Matt Dwyer, Chair of Computer Science and Engineering, UNL, replaced Dr. Goddard. Ali Oran, 1990 CSIT alum, and Director of Applications Development, Farm Credit Services joined the council. Other 2015-2016 Advisory Council members were: Jim Allen, Berkley Technology Services; Jeff Blackmon, Strategic Continuity Solutions; Pete Evans, Douglas-Omaha Technology Commission; Rob Harbols, Buckle, Inc.; and Scott Weitzel, Sheridan Ross. Student members were Oliver Avande (IT) and Sean Stahly (CS). Faculty members were Shahram Alavi, John Hastings, and Matt Miller.

The Council held phone conferences in October 2015 and March 2016 and met on April 8, 2016 for its annual meeting. The Council met with Dustin Newton, UNK Admission Director, to discuss recruiting and with the UNK Administration to discuss the Otto Olsen replacement and CSIT space needs. They also met with CSIT students to discuss marketing and curricular ideas, and to hear about class projects. The council was pleased that the CSIT enrollment was stable.

The Council conducted its annual Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) analysis of the department and re-visited the department’s SMART (Specific, Measurable, Action-oriented, Realistic, and Timed) goals. Key strengths include the unique CS and IT programs that address workforce needs and provide opportunities for students to individualize their education with student-led projects across the curriculum. A key weakness is the current Otto Olsen building with limited space. The council found opportunities in shared marketing with other IT-related programs and the establishment of a cyber security operations major program and the IT teaching endorsement programs.
**GOOGLE CS4HS GRANT ENABLES CSIT TO HELP K-12 TEACHERS IMPLEMENT CS/IT CLASSES**

CSIT received a $31,892 Google CS4HS grant to help teachers integrate CS/IT lessons into the classroom. The program, Computer Science Principles on the Prairie (CSPoP), aims to prepare youth in rural Nebraska for IT careers. It is a year-long program that includes workshops, online coursework and activities to introduce K-12 teachers to computational thinking and computer science “big 7 ideas”. CSPoP teachers receive support and guidance developing curriculum and learn the basics of app development.

“All teachers are needed to be ambassadors for CS/IT concepts,” said Sherri Harms, professor of computer science and information technology. “Small rural schools often don’t have separate CS/IT teachers. Any teacher interested in doing this can apply for the program – whether they are a second-grade teacher or a high school English teacher.”

The Google CS4HS funding program aims to improve the computer science educational ecosystem by providing funding for the development and execution of computer science teacher development.

**CSIT HELPS SMALL BUSINESSES & NON-PROFITS WITH SOCIAL MEDIA**

CSIT received a $20,000 grant from the Rural Futures Institute to facilitate the implementation of social media plans for small businesses and non-profits through service learning. Many rural Nebraska small businesses and non-profit organizations do not have the expertise or resources to implement social media plans, which can limit their organizational reach. This project will implement a service learning component to an existing course, where students work with organizations to develop and implement social media plans, in partnership with the Economic Development Council of Buffalo County. For more information see socialmedia.csit.unk.edu.

**CSIT FACULTY/STAFF CHANGES & FRIENDS OF THE DEPT**

The fall 2015 Friend of CSIT was awarded to Dianne McDole. Dianne was the Office Associate from September 2014-July 2015. When Dianne took a full-time position in Biology, she still provided assistance, especially in transition. Dianne always provided cheerful and professional assistance, and has gone above and beyond to help CSIT.

Carol Koch was hired as the CSIT Office Associate in November 2015. She quickly got up to speed and has made a tremendous difference in running the department efficiently and smoothly. Carol came to CSIT with 20+ years of various experiences, most recently as a Human Resource Manager.

The spring 2016 Friend of CSIT went to Cate Anderson who was a lecturer for CSIT from 2012-2016. She was always willing to teach something new, and strove to improve her courses each semester. Cate taught CSIT 130 Introduction to Computer Science and CSIT 150 Object Oriented Programming. She also taught Computer Graphics, Finite Automata, C programming and other course as needed. Cate introduced graphical programming to CSIT 150, and students completed gaming projects, such as Connect Four or Tetras. In the Computer Graphics course, students completed games, virtual reality projects, etc. In Finite Automata, students completed artistic renderings of automata. We will miss Cate’s expertise and wish her the best as she completes her PhD.
Garrett Schwanke of Fremont, Neb., was named the 2016 award recipient of the $6000 Buckle Excellence Scholarship. He is the son of Kevin and Patricia Schwanke. In high school, Garrett was active with FBLA, baseball, tennis, and choir. Garret loves solving puzzles and wants to create systems that are efficient and secure. He said that while visiting UNK, he felt like the size of the campus and friendliness of the staff and students was a good fit for him.

Jacob Nutter and Christian Schleif were selected as the $3000 Buckle Excellence Scholarship recipients. Jacob’s parents are Brett and Mina Nutter, and he graduated from Fillmore Central High School. In high school, Jacob was active with FBLA, speech, and quiz bowl. Jacob has created two businesses already, Jacob’s Gems - a business consisting of hand-made, semi-precious stone jewelry and, Jacob’s Jams and Jellies - a jam and jelly business that focuses on unique flavor blends, and exceptional taste and consistency. In his scholarship application, Jacob stated, “I also appreciated that the computer science department is very involved both with the community and the students. Relationships with businesses like the Buckle construct a platform on which students can connect to business professionals.”

Christian is the son of Tom and Kristi Schleif, Christian graduated from Osceola High School. Christian was involved with basketball, track, one-act, band, and FBLA. His hobbies are programming, gaming, and running. He worked for Striv TV in Henderson, where he created a scoreboard graphic for live video streaming that allows viewers to note the time, score, and period of the sport currently being broadcast, using HTML, CSS, and PHP.

Rachel Feddersen is the recipient of the 2016 Northwestern Energy Community Works Scholarship. Rachel is a senior Computer Science Honors student with a minors in Spanish and Mathematics. Rachel is the daughter of Scott and Anna Feddersen of Kearney, NE. She is completing an internship at Buckle.

The CSIT friends and alumni scholarship needs help reaching $25,000 so it can be annually awarded to a CSIT student. The University of Nebraska Foundation has several options for giving to this fund, including outright and recurring gifts. Many employers provide matching gifts as well. If CSIT alumni & friends will contribute to this fund, it will provide scholarships to needy CSIT students. To make a tax deductible contribution, please go to the University of Nebraska Foundation page at nufoundation.org and search for “CSIS”.

CSIT FRIENDS AND ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP FUND NEEDS YOUR HELP!!
On October 31, four CSIT ACM students competed in the regional ACM programming competition in Lincoln. ACM held a local programming competition for CSIT students on October 10th, and had several practice sessions conducted by Cate Anderson to prepare for these competitions. ACM officers for 2015-16 were Eduardo Salas/Zayne Kinkade, president; Ian Albrecht, Adam Zheng, and Kyle Halsted.

Dr. Harms, Professor Anderson and three CSIT students attended the Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas Celebration of Women in Computing (MINK WiC) in October. As part of the conference, they sat in the red chair. The goal of MINK WiC is to provide female role models and encourage women to pursue computing careers.

Buckle and Xpanxion hosted open houses with pizza for CSIT faculty & students at their IT headquarters, where several employees discussed their careers.

Xpanxion employee Lance Rall is shown giving CSIT Student Eduardo Salas the door prize at the Xpanxion open house December 1, 2015.

CSIT RESEARCH, INDEPENDENT PROJECTS & INTERNSHIPS

- Jacob McCann, Fall 2015, Hollman Media, Kearney, NE
- Ben Bomberger, Spring 2016, Xpanxion, Kearney, NE
- Ian Lim, Spring 2016, VR Space Game Independent Project, Shahram Alavi
- Sean Stahly, Educational Experiences in Building a Custom UAV, MICS 2016, Cedar Rapids, IA. Dr. Hastings
- Sherri Harms, Enabling Student Innovation through VR Development, MICS 2016, Cedar Rapids, IA.
- Tianyang Liu, Spring 2016, UNK CNSS, Kearney, NE
- Rachel Feddersen, Summer 2016, Buckle, Kearney, NE
- Kolten Harshbarger, Summer 2016, UNK CNSS, Kearney, NE
- Josh Knajdl, Summer 2016, Buerer Computing, Kearney, NE
- Michael Odell, Summer 2016, Xpanxion, Kearney, NE
- Gerardo Quintero, Summer 2016, Xpanxion, Kearney, NE
- Keathan Fertig, Summer 2016, Rocket League Stats IOS App Independent Project, Dr. Harms
The legislation to fund University of Nebraska renovation projects passed and was signed by Gov. Pete Ricketts in March 2016.

UNK Chancellor Doug Kristensen said the Otto Olsen building has been on the replacement schedule for over 20 years and the $32 million earmarked for the project will help the campus meet many needs. In consultation with the chancellors and using data from an analysis of the condition, capacity and use of its state-aided facilities, the university identified Otto Olsen as the top priority for UNK. The replacement building should be ready to move in by August 2019.

“Otto Olsen is one building, but it houses core infrastructure, academic programs in three of our four academic colleges, and the child development center. We are in the final stages of analysis so we can address as many foreseeable needs as effectively and efficiently as possible.”

“The Governor and Legislature are balancing any number of pressing issues, and I am very grateful for their ongoing commitment to excellence at the University of Nebraska,” said President Hank Bounds in a news release.

“We’re fortunate that our policymakers understand well the vital role the state’s public university plays in ensuring Nebraska’s economic competitiveness and quality of life. Their support – together with the good work of our faculty and staff – positions us well for the future.”

Bounds noted that the total cost to bring all university facilities to “like new” condition would exceed $1.1 billion. While maintenance challenges will remain, the state’s continued partnership in caring for valuable shared building assets will help ensure that students, faculty and staff have quality facilities in which to learn and work, he said.

Information summarized from the UNK news release, unknnews.unk.edu/2016/04/01/governor-signs-budget-package-moving-otto-olsen-replacement-forward/

In recognition of his life-time contributions to the field of computer science, Dr. Larry Peterson, Chief Architect at the Open Networking (ON) Lab, was inducted into the Nebraska Hall of Computing on Thursday, April 14, 2016. Before ON.Lab, he was the Robert E. Kahn Professor of Computer Science at Princeton University, where he directed the PlanetLab project and served as chair of the CS Department from 2003-2009. In 2007, Peterson co-founded CoBlitz LLC to commercialize CDN technology developed on PlanetLab. CoBlitz was acquired by Akamai. Peterson is co-author of the best-selling networking textbook Computer Networks: A Systems Approach (5e). His research focuses on the design and implementation of networked systems. Peterson is a former Editor-in-Chief of the ACM Transactions on Computer Systems, was on the Editorial Board for the IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking and the IEEE Journal on Select Areas in Communication, and served as program chair for SOSP, NSDI, and HotNets. Peterson is a member of the National Academy of Engineering, a Fellow of the ACM and the IEEE, and the 2010 recipient of the IEEE Kobayahi Computer and Communication Award.

He is currently working on a new cloud-based platform, called OpenCloud. Since retiring from Princeton, Peterson serves as a strategic consultant for Akamai (which acquired CoBlitz LLC, a CDN technology startup spun out of Princeton in 2008), along with his position with ON Lab.

Dr. Peterson received his B.S. in Computer Science from UNK (formerly KSC) in 1979, and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Computer Science from Purdue University in 1982 and 1985 respectively. Go to www.cs.princeton.edu/~lp for more information.
Below is the list of graduates for 2015-2016, along with their major program of study and where they are currently employed, if known. The CSIT faculty and staff wish our new alums much success in their future endeavors!

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**ALUMNI NEWS**

- **John Barnes** (1993) is the VP of Mobile Products for Salesforce in Chicago, IL.
- **Dustin Boyd** (2007) is a Cloud Consultant at Red Hat in Colorado Springs, CO.
- **Sujan Bhandari** (2007) is a Software Analyst at Alorica in Omaha.
- **Joshua Brunner** (2013) completed his MS in Mathematics at Kansas State University. He is now in their PhD program.
- **Nate Coleman** (2014) is a System Admin for Fidelity in Omaha, NE.
- **Randy Connelly** (1990) is the VP at DMR, Inc. in Mission, KS.
- **Shane Freeman** (2008) is the Director of Marketing & Product Development System Administrator for DataServ in St. Louis, MO.
- **Neil Hans** (1992) is a Sr Solution Engineer for Deloitte in Omaha.
- **Austin Hendrickson** (2013) works for Five Nines Technology in Kearney, NE.
- **Ezan Kacou** (2015) is completing the MS in Information Assurance and Security at U. Nebraska Omaha.
- **Puja Kandel** (2002) is the owner of CMIT Solutions in Omaha, NE. She received the 2015 Midlands Business Journal 40 under 40 award.
- **Devin McIntyre** and **Adam Zhang** (2015) both work for ESU-10 in Kearney, NE.
- **Dustin Owens** (1999) is the Director of Security Consulting for HP in Dallas, TX.
- **Daniel Russell** (2015) is a Jr. Software Engineer for C2FO Innovation Lab in Seattle, WA.
- **Jeremy Suign** (1997) is a Design Studio Project Manager for the Raikes School of Computer Science and Management, U. Nebraska Lincoln.
Rachel Feddersen helping a cyber-security camper work on his robot.

Dr. Miller judging the local ACM Programming Competition.

Rachel Feddersen and Michael Odell at MICS.

Eduardo Salas, Josh Jacobson & Sujan Shrestha at the MICS robotics competition.

Wei Zhou and Zack Widger lifting Ian Lim at MICS.

Sam Middleton explaining his VR system to a high school student at the ITX16 conference.

David Lano, Control Yours, discussing career opportunities with CSIT students Sam Middleton & Ian Lim, while CSIT alum & TSL representative Steve Carlson (in back) meets with other CSIT stu-

Kyle Hasenkamp teaching a cyber-security camp-
CSIT In The News & Around the World

◊ **Apple Health App**: Dr. Miller explains how the Apple Health app can help save your life in an interview for Nebraska TV in July 2016.

◊ **New BMI app created by CSIT student Jacob McCann puts UNK student, faculty skills to work**: Hollman Media created an internship partnership with UNK after winning the Walter Scott Entrepreneurial Business Award in 2014. Through this program UNK faculty hire IT-related interns to further their research. The first result of that collaboration was by CSIT student, Jacob McCann, who created a BMI app to help UNK faculty research childhood obesity.

◊ **Computer Security: How to Keep Your Information Safe**: Dr. Miller explains how to keep your information safe in an interview for Nebraska TV in March 2016.

◊ **TAN, business leaders work to promote technology opportunities**: Nebraska business leaders have formed the Technology Association of Nebraska, dedicated to strengthen Nebraska’s technology ecosystem by focusing on supporting technology education; recruiting business & talent; and advocating for policies for technology growth.

CSIT ALUMNI GATHERING

On August 4, 2016, CSIT alumni held a meet-and-greet in Omaha, with many alumni and friends getting together to reminisce and network. Dr. Harms provided an update on the department and current students talked about their classwork.

WAYS TO SUPPORT CSIT

- Provide scholarships through the **CSIT Alumni & Friends Scholarship**
- Enable CSIT research projects through the **CSIT Fund**
- See the University of Nebraska Foundation website for more information: [nufoundation.org](http://nufoundation.org)

WAYS TO STAY IN TOUCH WITH CSIT

- Join the exclusive “**UNK CSIT Alumni**” LinkedIn Group: Post discussions and job announcements. Connect with other CSIT alums. All members are verified CSIT alums.
- **Give a presentation on-campus**: Students need to hear from successful alumni. Sharing your story can make a difference.
- **Hire CSIT interns or new employees**: Inform Dr. Harms of your hiring needs and she will post it on the CSIT job website and send an announcement to current students.
- **Attend the Fall and/or Spring Career Fairs** to meet students: Sign up to represent your company at the career fair.
- **Share your success story in a video clip**: Inform Dr. Harms if you are willing to be featured in this video of CSIT alums.
- **Like the “UNK CSIT” Facebook group**
- **Check out the CSIT website** [cs.unk.edu](http://cs.unk.edu)
- **Complete the alumni survey** available at goo.gl/ICZKK9 with a password of “golopers”. We are interested in hearing about the events in your life and any change of address.

This newsletter is produced and distributed by the CSIT Department at UNK. Please report any errors to the department. Dr. Sherri Harms wrote and Carol Koch edited the newsletter. The front cover features (clockwise from upper left) Dr. Matt Miller, Bryce Newton, Sean Stahly, Abi Curtis, Ben Wagner, Sam Middleton. Above, CSIT students Ben Wagner, Sean Stahly, Abi Curtis and Rachel Feddersen are shown in the lower left.