

CRA-W

Committee on the Status of Women in Computing Research

CRA-W aims to take positive action to increase the number and success of women in computing research and higher education through its four areas of activity.

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Research Mentoring

Providing hands-on research experiences and mentoring programs that guide, support, and encourage women in computing.

Best Practices in Recruiting and Retaining Women in Computer Science and Engineering (CSE)

Documents effective strategies to increase the participation of women in graduate programs.

Career Mentoring Workshops

Brings graduate students and new Ph.D.s together with senior researchers to develop career strategies.

Collaborative Research Experiences for Women

Gives undergraduate women opportunities to work on collaborative research projects.

Distributed Mentoring Project

Pairs undergraduate women with women research mentors for summer research.

Information Sharing

Collecting, analyzing, and disseminating information about and for women in computing.

Careers Booklet

Profiles the lives of women with exciting and challenging CSE careers.

CRA-W Online

Disseminates information on CRA-W and its projects and provides links to other resources through CRA-W's Web site and announcement service.

CSE Ph.D. Database

Provides the professional community with resumes and technical information about women Ph.D.s in CSE.

"Expanding the Pipeline" Column

Reports on projects and issues relevant to underrepresented groups through a regular column in CRA's Computing Research News.

Community Building

Fostering professional networking, collaboration, and recognition of women in computing.

Award Nominations

Increases the visibility of women's contributions in CSE by encouraging nominations for professional awards and recognition.

Coalition of Women in Computing

Brings together leaders of professional societies to foster collaboration and strengthen the computing community.

CRA-W/Lucent Technologies Distinguished Lecture Series

Recruits students into graduate programs through technical talks and presentations by visiting teams of researchers and graduate students.

Systems Academia

Provides an innovative forum for mentoring through an electronic mailing list.

Effecting Organizational Change

Educating and influencing organizations on issues, policies, and procedures to promote the full participation of women in computing.

Government Affairs

Undertakes activities to represent the interests of women in CSE in the U.S. federal policymaking process.

Senior Leadership Development Workshop

Provides a forum for discussing strategies and skills for moving into leadership positions in academia and the research community.

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