MPCS Leadership & Staff

- Anne Rogers
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  - Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science and The College

- Borja Sotomayor
  - Academic Director, Masters Program in Computer Science
  - Senior Lecturer, Department of Computer Science

- Molly Stoner
  - Director of Admissions and Student Affairs

- Karin Czaplewski
  - Student and Faculty Services Specialist

- Jessica Garza
  - Student Affairs Representative

- Josh Blackwood
  - Student Affairs Representative

- Katie Rosengarten
  - Project Assistant
MPCS Administration

• MPCS Administrative offices are in the Young Building, 3rd floor

• Department of Computer Science is located in Ryerson, main office 151.

• CS Department will be moving to Crerar Summer 2018. MPCS will remain in Young.

• MPCS Office Hours are:
  – Monday - Thursday 9:30 AM – 6:00 PM
  – Friday 9:30 AM – 3 PM
BUILDING ACCESS

• Access to Young building for afterhours use is available with your UChicago ID card.
  
  – Your ID card must be activated for access.
  – Please email a copy of the front and back of your ID card to karin@cs.uchicago.edu.
  – You will only have access during the quarters you are a registered student.

• Building Hours:
  – Young – doors open 8-6, M-F.
  – Ryerson – doors open 8-7 M-Th, 8-6 on Friday.

• MPCS Labs (302 and 306) are open for student 24/7. Key card access to Young needed after hours and on weekends.
MAIL LISTS

• masters-students@cs.uchicago.edu

  – This is the mailing list where important announcements are made. You are required to monitor this list and keep your information current.

  – We will subscribe your UChicago account to the mailing list next week.

• Instructors also create email distribution lists for their courses and provide subscription instructions during the first meeting of the class.
PROGRAM POLICIES

• MPCS publishes a set of Program Policies found under the Current Student section on the website:

  http://csmasters.uchicago.edu/page/rules-and-policies

It is your responsibility to read and review the policies.
COURSE PLANNING

• Students must take three core courses before moving on to elective classes; most students start with Core Programming, Algorithms and a Systems class.

• **CS courses at level 20000** or above may be taken for core or elective credit with permission from MPCS administration.

• For electives, classes taken can be:
  – MPCS elective courses
  – Practicum
  – PSD graduate level courses (i.e., math, statistics)
  – Graduate level courses from other divisions and schools (i.e., Booth)

Classes outside the MPCS require approval for credit towards graduation

Advising appointments can be scheduled with Borja Sotomayor, MPCS Academic Director
**COURSE REGISTRATION**

- MPCS students will be pre-registered in courses selected through the MPCS Course Registration Survey.

- Registration usually takes place in week 8 of the previous quarter (except Autumn).

- Add/Drop changes need to be made through our office with the Add/Drop form.

- Classes may be dropped anytime before the **end of the third week of the quarter to receive a full tuition refund.**

- Please make sure your registration is correct in the student portal before the end of the **third week.**
My UChicago

• Student Portal - http://portal.uchicago.edu/ais/
  – Check course registrations
  – View grades
  – Confirm/update personal information
COURSE WITHDRAWAL

• After Week 3, if you cannot complete a course for any reason, you may withdraw from the class.

• Students can withdraw from a class up until the final exam has been given, or the final project is due.

• A ‘W” will be placed on your transcript.

No tuition refund will be available after Week 3.
GRADE REQUIREMENTS

• You must earn a grade of C+ or better in each of the courses that apply toward the degree requirement.

• For the Programming and Math Immersion courses a C+ is required or your student status will be re-evaluated.

• Pass/Fail is not an option.

• Students not making satisfactory academic progress in the program will be placed on Academic Probation.
It is contrary to justice, academic integrity, and to the spirit of intellectual inquiry to submit another’s statements or ideas of work as one's own. To do so is plagiarism or cheating, offenses punishable under the University's disciplinary system. Because these offenses undercut the distinctive moral and intellectual character of the University, we take them very seriously.

https://studentmanual.sites.uchicago.edu/Policies#Honesty
WHAT IS ACADEMIC HONESTY?

Academically honest work is typically understood to be the following:

1. Work that has been done exclusively by you, without any outside assistance.

2. Work that has involved some outside assistance (such as other students and reference materials found in the library or the Internet), but which includes proper attribution.

Instructors will let you know if you are allowed to use outside sources in homework and projects.

Never submit something you did not write by yourself without saying where it is from.

Instructors may use plagiarism detection software to determine if assignments are close to other students or code found on the internet.
SHARING WORK WITH OTHER STUDENTS

• Never share your work with others or post it on a publicly-accessible website.

• Never upload your code to public GitHub repositories, code-snippet sharing sites like pastebin, etc.

If someone copies your code, you will be penalized, even if you did not intend for your code to be used in that way.
ACADEMIC HONESTY SANCTIONS

• Penalties may include:
  – A “0” on the assignment
  – Withdrawal from a course
  – A “F” in the course
  – Suspension from the program
  – Expulsion from the University of Chicago

• MPCS administration is notified of all violations of this policy.

• Subsequent instructors may be made aware of a student’s status.

All students must sign the Academic Honesty Statement
CS Student Activities

The department is home to several student organizations that organize technical events on campus, including:

- Hack Nights every Friday
- Weekly Tech Talks by industry experts (usually Thursdays @ 4:30)
- Hackathons
- Programming contests

A calendar of upcoming events will be available in the Fall at studentactivities.cs.uchicago.edu
Prepare for your career

• All MPCS students should have a LinkedIn account
  – Add MPCS Alumni group - https://www.linkedin.com/groups/1135167
  – Get the LinkedIn Students app for a more specialized experience

• Follow MPCS on Twitter and Facebook to stay in the loop!

• Create an account on the CS Job Board (https://jobboard.cs.uchicago.edu/) to receive notifications of new job postings.
UCHICAGO GRAD

Helping you navigate your graduate and postdoctoral career
What is UChicagoGRAD?

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Helping you navigate your graduate and postdoctoral career

- One-stop shop for your experience as a UChicago graduate student
- Way to stay connected to the larger graduate student community
- Professional development resources that complement your academic training
- Located on the 3rd floor of the UChicago Bookstore Building
- Grad Guide Weekly
- Monthly Newsletters
- Look out for the Gargoyle logo!

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UChicagoGRAD provides . . .

- **One-on-One Advising**
  - Career Development
  - Fellowships, Writing, Oral Communications, Sounding Board, Diversity

- **Flagship Events**
  - GRADFair- October 18\textsuperscript{th} 2018
  - GRADUCon- TBC April 2019

- **Workshops**
  - GRADTalk
  - Summer Camps & March Term

- **Employer Connections**
  - Info Sessions
  - On-campus recruiting
  - Jobs board
What type of user are you?

Student/Alumni  Employer
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• MPCS Director
  Anne Rogers - amr@cs.uchicago.edu

• PSD Dean of Students
  Karin LeClair– kleclair@uchicago.edu
CHECKLIST!

✓ New Student Survey

✓ Create cNet ID and CS account

✓ Obtain UChicago ID card

✓ Waive health insurance

✓ Sign Academic Honesty statement

✓ Create LinkedIn account