MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 16, 2018

TO: Computer Science Faculty

FROM: Scott DeLoach

RE: Salaries for Graduate Research Assistants

There is no set minimum or maximum salary required for Graduate Research Assistants (GRAs) within the Department of Computing and Information Sciences (CIS). GRA pay is determined by the faculty researcher based on requirements of the position, the student’s status (MS student, PhD student, PhD candidate, etc.), and any requirements of special offers made at admission (e.g., a PhD Fellowship). However, university policy does require that GRAs working half-time (a 0.5 tenths) appointment must have their tuition paid.

As of August 2015, CIS employs 16 GRAs, 15 of those funded directly on research grants. The range of GRA pay runs from $600 to $1,500 biweekly. The average for GRA pay is $856, the median GRA pay is $825, and the mode GRA pay is $800.

Cc: Theresa Hogenkamp, Kelly Bruna