SURF-IT End-of Program Participant Feedback Questionnaire Summer 2008

Thank you for participating in the UCSC's SURF-IT program. We would like to ask you a few questions about your experience with the SURF-IT program in order for us to make improvements to the program next year. This information will also be used in preparing reports to the National Science Foundation, who funded the program. Any reporting of the information will preserve individual confidentiality and only be reported as aggregated data. We appreciate your effort, honesty, and completeness in answering these questions so that we can continuously improve the program for all participants.

1. How did you hear about the SURF-IT program?

SURF-IT Group Activities	Not Valuable		Somewhat Valuable		Very Valuable
Program orientation (including tours)	1	2	3	4	5
Presentations by UCSC engineering faculty	1	2	3	4	5
Panel session on graduate student life	1	2	3	4	5
Workshops on grad school applications and statements	1	2	3	4	5
Ethics workshop	1	2	3	4	5
Field Trip to Silicon Valley firms	1	2	3	4	5
Shakespeare Santa Cruz	1	2	3	4	5
Workshops: research poster instruction and feedback	1	2	3	4	5
Poster Day	1	2	3	4	5
Oral Presentations on Summer Research	1	2	3	4	5

2. Please circle the number indicating how valuable you found the following SURF-IT activities (on a scale of one to five, where 1 is least valuable and 5 is most valuable):

3. What suggestions would you make, if any, for improving the formal SURF-IT activities in future years (including additional topics or activities we could provide)?

- 4. The SURF-IT program also encourages SURF-IT participants to organize social activities and outings on their own (e.g., trips to San Francisco, bonfires on the beach). How did these informal social activities enhance your summer experience? Do you have any suggestions for changing the number or type of informal SURF-IT activities that take place during the program?
- 5. What did you learn from your program experiences in the way of specific research skills or "what engineering/computer science research is all about"?

6. How satisfied were you with the level of guidance and support that you received from your faculty mentor and other members of your lab group? (Circle the number that best describes your level of satisfaction.)

1	2	3	4	5
Not at all satisfied	Not very satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Satisfied	Very Satisfied

Comments:

7. How satisfied were you with your experiences working on a research project and with the results of your project? (Circle the number that best describes your level of satisfaction.)

1	2	3	4	5
Not at all	Not very	Somewhat	Satisfied	Very Satisfied
satisfied	satisfied	satisfied		

Comments:

- 8. In what ways did participating in the SURF program as a whole change your academic or career interests and plans, if at all?
- 9. What suggestions would you make, if any, about how to improve the SURF-IT program as a whole in future years?

10. Overall, how would you rate your experience in the SURF-IT program as a whole?

1	2	3	4	5
Very Bad	Poor	Satisfactory	Good	Outstanding

What was the best part of the program for you?

What was the worst part of the program for you?

11. What is the current status of your educational plans?(Complete as many of the following statements as apply)

I plan to complete my undergraduate degree:

at _____(educational institution) with a major in ______ in _____(semester/year).

After I graduate from college,

I plan to apply to graduate school to work towards a	(degree) in
(field).	
I would like to prepare myself for a job/career as a	((
	(type of job).
I am not sure what I will do, but I would like to pursue m	y interests in
or	

12. Contact Information

We know that you may be changing your address several times over the next few years. To help us stay in touch with you to track your progress, please provide information about several different ways the SURF-IT program office can contact you:

My e-mail address for academic year 2007-2008 _____

An alternate or permanent e-mail address for me: _____

My mailing address for academic year 2007-2008

A parent's name and permanent address/phone number/e-mail:

Name and contact information for someone else who will know how to reach me: