## **Student Policy Regarding Changes in Curricula**

In order to remain current with ever-changing technology, accreditation requirements, and to provide the best quality education for Computer Science and Computing & Informatics Students, the Rowan University Department of Computer Science continues to develop new courses, new curricula and redevelop established programming. Students may find themselves enrolled at Rowan during a period of change. Should students find themselves in such a position, the following apply with respect to programs and courses within the Computer Science Department:

- 1. All changes to any curricula, course material, or requirements shall be made known to all students (via CS Department Webpage and email) and will be declared active given a specific date and thereafter until another change is declared.
- Students enrolled in a program of study prior to the date of change, shall not have their requirements altered in any way (grandfather clause). They shall remain enrolled with curriculum in which they began their program and are obliged to all the same rules and requirements.
- 3. Students may; however, elect to follow the new curricula, after consultation with Curriculum Chair or Academic Advisor. While this may not require a change of major code, students who elect to switch will be obliged to follow the rules and requirements of the new curriculum.
- 4. Students enrolling in a program of study on/after the date of change shall not be permitted to enroll in a previous curriculum. They will be subject to the rules and requirements of the new curriculum.
- 5. Students remaining or changing will be obliged to the requirements of the respective curriculum entirely and independently of the other curriculum. Therefore, students may not combine requirements between/among curricula.
- 6. Should students remain in a previous curriculum but encounter a prerequisite/corequisite issue, they should discuss this with their academic advisor to determine the appropriate options. While prerequisites/corequisites cannot be introduced into an old curriculum, course expectations may indeed change. Such issues should also be discussed with academic advisor, curriculum chair, and faculty where deemed necessary.
- 7. In the case of a course no longer being offered, please see *Variance Policy*.