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Headline

TACOMA, Wash. – Nearly two dozen students, alumni and faculty at the Institute of Technology were recently inducted into the new UW Tacoma chapter of Upsilon Pi Epsilon (UPE), the international honor society for computing science, engineering and technology.

“Joining UPE is an honor,” said Associate Professor George Mobus, a longtime member of the organization. “Having UPE here at UW Tacoma is a recognition of the quality of our program and of our students.”

UPE’s mission is to recognize academic excellence at both the undergraduate and graduate levels in the computing and information disciplines. A member of the Association of College Honor Societies, UPE is the only international honor society in the computing and information field.

The charter’s first initiates are: Students Amelia Anest, Alan Boulet, Craig Deitering, Alan Fowler, Pat Kuhlman, Randy McCoy, Michael Munsey, Craig Niyama, Kyle Shanafelt, Eric Sherbon, Ruslan Slobodyanik, Michael Spiz and Jonathan Veilleux. Also initiated were alumni Iyad Alaqrabawi, Daniel Blair, Robert Bunge and Kristen Shinohara, Assistant Professor Dan Zimmerman and Institute of Technology Director Orlando Baiocchi.

The Institute of Technology was launched in 2001 to cultivate a highly educated and knowledgeable workforce to support the state's high-tech sector and spur economic development in the South Sound region. The Institute offers bachelor’s and master’s degrees in Computer Engineering and Systems and Computing and Software Systems. To learn more about the Institute of Technology, visit www.insttech.washington.edu.

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