Ofis.uwaterloo.ca and CS

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- OFIS is an <u>Online Faculty Information System</u>
- It is a faculty-member centric database that brings together information from disparate campus sources.
- Its purpose is to gather data that is common to many reports faculty members are asked to regularly produce.
 - Making these reports easier to generate, and easier to update.

Inputs

Office of Research

record of funding applications and decisions

Grad Studies Office

Grad student supervision

Human Resources

- Basic contact information
- Appointments

Quest /Faculty

- Teaching history
- Teaching evaluations

Faculty Members

- •research, teaching interests
- biography
- affiliations
- research contributions

•BibTeX

Outputs

<u>OCGS</u>

Produces CV in standard format

CS Research Directory

- Automated updates
 - Web profile
 - LaTeX source for book

CEAB

 Software Engineering accreditation

Future Outputs: TBD by SCS

CS Teaching Summary

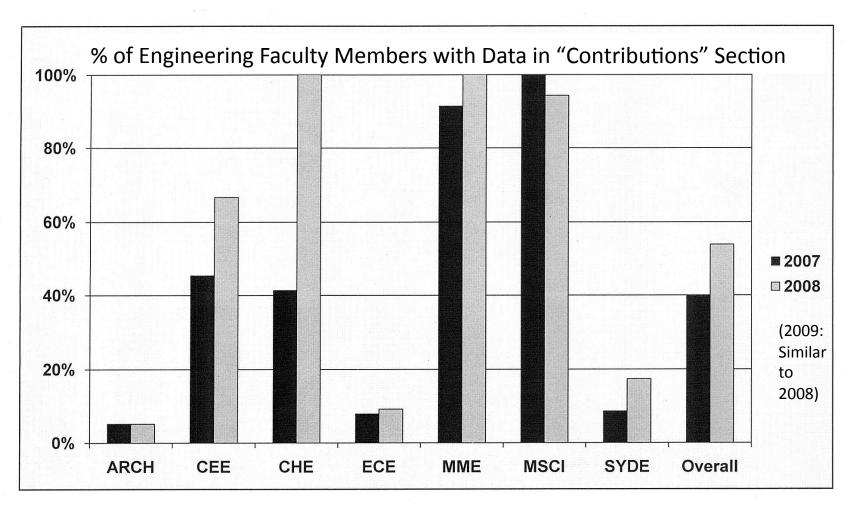
Annual Evaluation (Frank's stuff)

<u>Undergrad Program Review, CIPS</u>

OFIS DB

- Output formats:
 - LaTeX and HTML for Research Book and web.
 - RTF for other reports (-> Open Office, Word, etc).
- Data imported from campus sources:
 - might not be 100% accurate...
 - Produce 1st draft document.
 - Then correct errors in RTF output.
- Saving time overall.
 - Enter once; use many places.

OFIS Usage by Engineering Dep't



Challenges and Successes

- Getting useful data extracts from campus sources
- Data accuracy
 - Errors in institutional data can be corrected at the source.
 We hope.
 - Reporting to the source is happening; correction is slow.
- User interface issues
 - Our BibTeX parser simplifies adding contributions
- What reports to add?
 - Work in progress, in consultation with faculty members.

Demonstration and Walkthrough

- Objective:
 - Familiarize SCS members with OFIS process
 - Elicit feedback
 - Output / reports / formatting
- Demo will cover
 - Editing your Research Directory information
 - Sample CV output
- Date and Time
 - TBA. Later this term
 - Will send email

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