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DATA SCIENCE

Every Other Wednesday

4:45 to 6:00PM Shelby Hall Rm 3104

SYSTEMS PROTECTION AND EXPLOITATION RESEARCH GROUP (SPERG)

Every Friday 10 – 11 a.m. @Shelby Hall Rm 2327 www.soc.southalabama.e du/sperg/

PARTNER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Contact Keith Lynn at 251-460-7643. For scheduling HOLLA click on the link below.

Schedule HOLLA

Quote of the Month

"The computer was born to solve problems that did not exist before "

Bill Gates

(American business magnate, software developer, investor, author & philanthropist)

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Alumni Profile Adam Hicks

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Adam graduated in 2007 with a Master's Degree in Computer and Information Science. The appeal of problem solving with code and finding elegant solutions to common problems were the primary sources of inspiration to pursue a career in the field of computing. From studying Turing machines in complexity theory courses taught by Dr. David Langan or learning optimization techniques for querying relational data from Dr. Harold Pardue, every graduate course provided a unique challenge to overcome. Since graduation, all 15+ years of his career has been with The SSI Group, LLC whose corporate headquarters is located just a few miles away from the USA main campus. Adam now leads a team of software engineers that build and maintain systems comprising a data center that processes hundreds of millions of healthcare claims annually. Prior to moving to Mobile and while pursuing his Bachelor of Science degree with a Computer Science major, Adam was a 2-time NCWA wrestling All-American winning over 100 collegiate matches against NCAA Div I, II, III, and NAIA opponents. While at USA, Adam was also a member of the Jaguar club football team playing inside linebacker. In his spare time, Adam likes to travel and volunteers coaching at the local mixed martial arts gym Port City Kickboxing Academy. Becoming more involved in the community, he helped start a new Mobile County Public School System wrestling team at Baker High School leading them to a 24-1 season in just their second of the program.

HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!!

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