1. BASIC INFORMATION

Members of the CIS Task Force:
John T. Gorgone, Bentley College, co-chair
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2. PURPOSE

a. Curriculum development and related matter in information systems.

3. Task Force Meeting dates

a. Task Force members met at professional conferences they jointly attended, for example, in August 2000 members met in Long Beach, California at the AIS AMCIS 2000 Conference. We also met at the University of Minnesota from May 20 to May 22, 2001 to work on the draft IS’2001 for CC2001 report.

b. Beyond the physical meetings, committee members kept in communications by e-mail, phone, and fax.

4. PROJECT SUMMARIES and STATUS

a. MSIS 2000 (Graduate IS curriculum model): With minor updates, a MSIS 2001 report can be completed for inclusion in CC2001.

b. IS 2001: Teaming with AIS and Association of Information Technology Professionals (AITP), ACM is creating a revision to IS ‘97, the model curriculum and guidelines for undergraduates, to be included in the CC 2001 report. The work continues to receive recognition and is being widely distributed. AIS again provided IS’97 on CD-ROM to every person registered for Association for Information Systems Americas Conference in August 2001. There were 36 countries represented at the conference which will give IS’97 a world-wide distribution.

c. IS ACCREDITATION: With NSF support, ACM has teamed with AIS, IEEE-CS, CSAB, and industry representatives to develop a set of criteria for accrediting IS programs. The criteria has been widely distributed and has been posted on both CSAB and ABET websites (www.csab.org and www.abet.org). Information Systems Program Evaluators have been train and the first site visit is schedule for fall 2001.

d. There are on going discussions with both AIS and AITP regarding a joint international IS curriculum project.

5. PLANS


c. IS ACCREDITATION:
   1. Identify and select programs interested in IS accreditation.

d. MBA/IS Concentration/Major: Select and appoint an ACM/AIS joint membership committee. AIS will provide names of individuals within the next few months. The committee will develop a four-course IS concentration for MBA programs, including the first overview IS course required of all MBA programs.

e. Begin Joint ACM, AIS, AITP Global IS curriculum Task Force.

6. Meetings and Presentations

   c. ISECON 2000, Philadelphia, PA, November 9-12, 2000