

Programmers Rank in Top One Percent in World Competition

UCF's computer programming team finished 15th in a field of 2,400 in the ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest. In what could be called the Super Bowl for collegiate computer programmers, the three-member team of Ambrose Feinstein, Jonathan Kolb and Phillip Dexheimer tied with MIT and outdid teams from Harvard, Stanford, Cornell, Duke and prestigious universities from across the globe.

More than 13,000 students from 69 countries participated in preliminary

contests, which began last December. UCF was among the 60 teams that advanced to the Y2K World Finals, held in Orlando on March 18. First place went to St. Petersburg State University in Russia.

UCF teams have a solid competitive history, having finished as high as second in the world over the 18 years UCF has participated in the competition.

In the Southeastern U.S. regional contests, UCF teams have set a record by placing either first, second or third in every competition since 1982.

For more information

on the competition, visit <http://acm.baylor.edu/acmicpc> and click on "World Finals."

