Computer team places second at regionals

UCF's streak of at least a first-, second- or thirdplace performance in Southeastern student computer programming competition has entered its 14th year.

UCF students Peter Singhofen, Joel Davis and Matthew Henry propelled the university's "blue team" to a second-place finish over some 60 college teams in the Association for Computing Machinery's Southeast regional programming competition in Mobile, Ala., on Nov. 18. Two other UCF student teams finished seventh and eighth in the annual programming marathon.

The blue team solved five of the eight programming problems, equaling the total of the first-place University of Miami team, which captured the title with fewer penalty points. UCF was trailed by Florida Institute of Technology, Georgia Institute of Technology, Florida State University and Millsaps College in third-through sixth-place, respectively. Some 40 institutions entered teams.

The second-place finish qualifies the UCF team to compete in international programming competition early in 1996. The appearance in the international finals will be the 10th for UCF, which has finished in the top seven in the world four times, including a second-place finish in 1986-87.