Four computer teams place in top 10 in regional competition

UCF finished first in a field of more than 50 collegiate computer programming teams in the Association for Computing Machinery competition on Nov. 9. All four of UCF's three-member teams finished in the top 10.

The competition, hosted by UCF, pitted teams from five Southeastern states in a five-hour race against the clock. This was the 15th consecutive year that UCF has placed, first, second or third in the region. This year, UCF placed first, third, sixth and ninth. Other schools with teams in the top 10 were the University of Miami (second and 10th), Florida State (fourth), Florida International (fifth), Francis Marion University, S.C., (seventh) and North Florida (eighth). The winning UCF and University of Miami teams will compete in the international finals in San Jose, Calif., in March. UCF's first-place team was Michael Kujawa, Bryan Kline and Eric Heimburg.

UCF's student programming teams had been preparing since early September in marathon Saturday practice sessions where they solved programming problems under the same rules and condition's as the Association for Computing Machinery competition. For the competition, teams were challenged to analyze and solve the same nine problems within five hours and were ranked according to the number of problems

The team of Bryan Kline, Eric Heimburg and Michael Kujawa placed first in the Association for Computing Machinery competition this month, which is a regional contest with teams from five Southeastern states. The team will compete in international competition next March in San Jose, Calif.

they solved and the speed in which they solved them.

Also participating in the competition were teams from the University of Florida, Georgia Institute of Technology, Auburn, the University of South Carolina, Mississippi State and other universities and colleges.