

**Computer Science Department, Rice University, Houston, Texas, U.S.A.**

In collaboration with

**Faculty of Electronic Engineering, University of Niš**

And

**The Serbian American Chamber of Commerce of Houston**

Are announcing the following

## **Open Competition**

For three-month fellowship awards as part of the  
“Computer Science Student Advancement Program (CSSAP)”

### **1. Fellowships**

- Individual fellowships include all the expenses for travel, room and board for a period of 90 days at the Computer Science Department at Rice University, under the mentorship of a Rice University faculty member
- Awards will be granted for approximately beginning of July to end of September period
- There is no limit on the number fellowships awarded, the main criteria are the candidate's qualifications and a match between candidate's and faculty's research interests

### **2. Conditions**

- Applicants must be 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> year undergraduate students in good standing or 1<sup>st</sup> year in the Masters program in the Faculty of Electronic Engineering, University of Niš
- Minimum GPA of 9.0/10 is required
- Fluency in spoken and written English must be demonstrated
- Minimum of 2 references from faculty or collaborators in the field of Computer Science
- Other supporting materials, such as documents witnessing memberships in science organizations, student organizations, published papers, science competitions etc. are encouraged but not required

### **3. Applications**

- Current CV with a list of publications, GPA, curricular and extra-curricular activities, academic and work experience and achievements
- Current transcripts
- 2 reference letters
- A letter from the applicant describing his/her scientific interests, along with research groups at Rice that may be of interest (see

<http://compsci.rice.edu/research/> for research groups in Rice University's Department of Computer Science)

- Any supplemental materials

#### 4. COVID-19 Considerations

COVID-19 global pandemic has seriously affected all aspects of life, including CSSAP 2020. For 2021, we are working as if the in-person CSSAP Program will be held as planned, in anticipation of a much better situation in the Summer of 2021. Whenever possible (this highly depends on the type of research the faculty advisor is pursuing) we will have alternative plans for collaboration in place for CSSAP 2021 in case the travel is still not possible by July 2021 due to the pandemic. We are hopeful that the in-person collaboration in Houston will be possible for all the accepted students and that we will see you in the summer.

All applications should be submitted in electronic form to Dr. Zoran Budimlić, [zoran@rice.edu](mailto:zoran@rice.edu)

All questions about the program can be directed to Dr. Zoran Budimlić ([zoran@rice.edu](mailto:zoran@rice.edu)) or Prof. Leonid Stoimenov ([leonid.stoimenov@elfak.ni.ac.rs](mailto:leonid.stoimenov@elfak.ni.ac.rs))

The deadline for submitting the applications is February 21st, 2021.