

Dr. Cindy Bethel named 2009 Computing Innovation Fellow



(July 10, 2009) — Dr. Cindy Bethel, a summer Ph.D. graduate of the Computer Science and Engineering Department has been named a **2009 Computing Innovation Fellow**. She will do postdoctoral work at Yale University under the mentorship of Brian Scassellati. This is a new NSF funded fellowship position that was highly competitive.

The University of South Florida is one of the nation's top 63 public research universities and one of only 25 public research universities nationwide with very high research activity that is designated as community engaged by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. USF was awarded \$380.4 million in research contracts and grants in FY 2008/2009. The university offers 232 degree programs at the undergraduate, graduate, specialist and doctoral levels, including the doctor of medicine. The USF System has a \$1.8 billion annual budget, an annual economic impact of \$3.2 billion, and serves more than 47,000 students on institutions/campuses in Tampa, St. Petersburg, Sarasota-Manatee and Lakeland. USF is a member of the Big East Athletic Conference.

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