Summer 2014 Projects:

1. Pragmatic experience on Concurrency, Parallel, and Distributed programming.
   Parallel algorithms are the key ingredients to being able to efficiently solve problems using the current multicore computer technology. Students will for important parallel computing models that capture the essence of classes of existing or projected future parallel computers. Algorithms will be studied for problems.

A pair of students will study algorithms for important parallel computing models; analyze problems that they have worked already in intro and advanced programming languages courses such as searching, sorting, graphs, matrices, numerical problems, and computational geometry. Students will be working with Java 8.

Requirement: Advanced data structure course.
Up to 4 students.

At the end of the summer experience, students will create a poster of models, examples and their experiences on

1. The understanding of the fundamentals of parallel and distributed computing including parallel/distributed architectures and paradigms.
2. The understanding of parallel/distributed algorithms and key technologies.
3. The ability to develop and execute basic parallel and distributed application using basic programming models and tools.

2. Challenges of supporting technology K-6: Is a Raspberry PI a solution?
Continue the project on Canterbury elementary school.
Students are investigating a sustained solution for the current computing systems at elementary school. Out of the experience worked with elementary school, students will design a portal website with suitable educational content. The quest is to design an implement a plug and go Raspberry Pi. The solution will be documented into a paper or poster to be ready to submit to SIGCCSE or SHPE conference.

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At the end of the summer experience, students will document their experience:

1. Understanding the challenges faced by elementary schools on supporting technology
2. Designing, implementing and testing a solution for a real world problem.