



# **TEACH: The Academic Symposium**

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## **The Illinois CS+X Programs**

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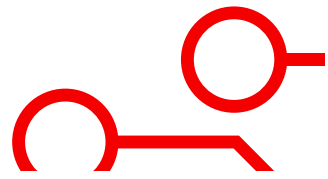
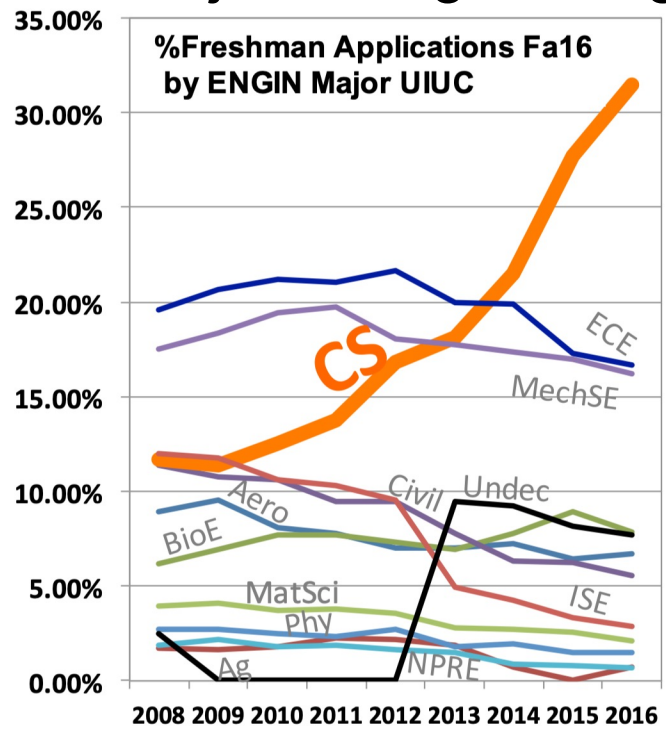
**ILLINOIS**  
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN



# Everybody Starts With This CS Landscape....

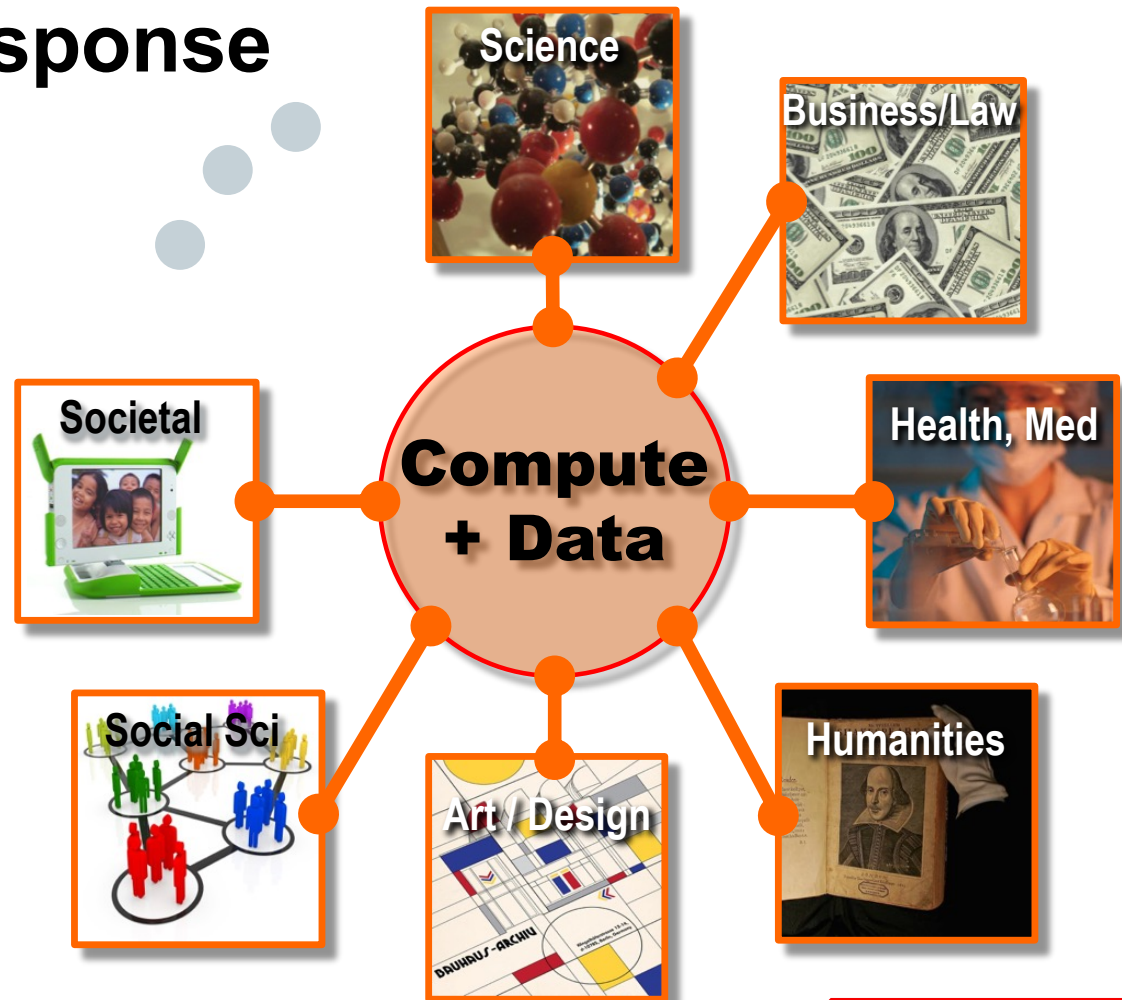


- This is this **Illinois CS** major in Engineering



# CS+X is a Novel Response

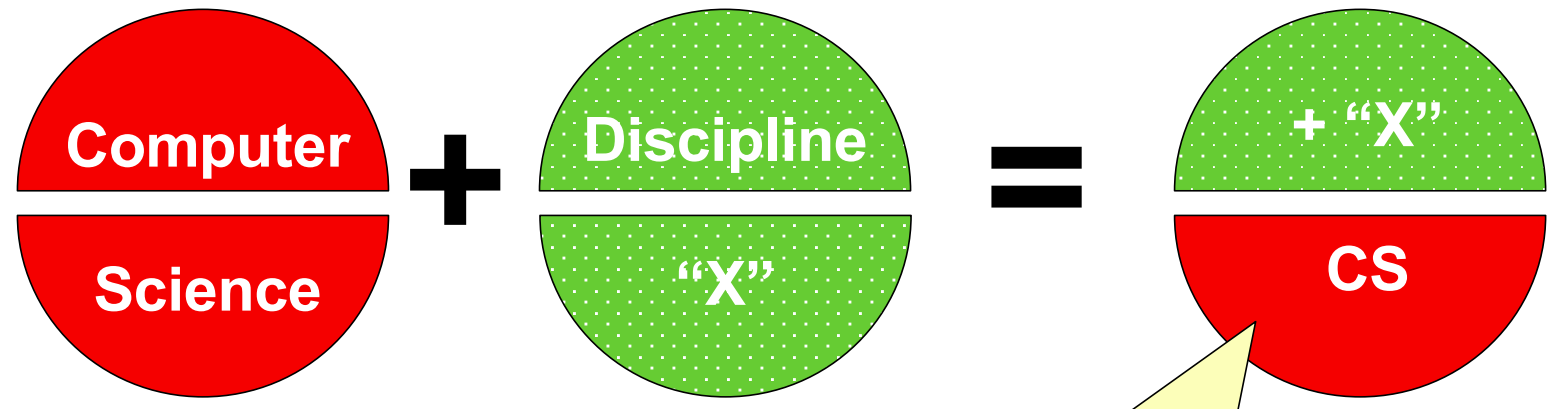
- Yes, go **DEEP**....
  - More classes, faculty, etc
- But also go **WIDE**
  - Partner with non-CS dept's
  - Build a different class of **cross-educated** students



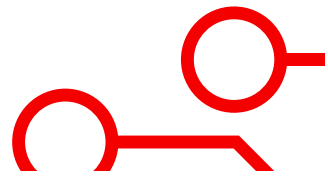


# Illinois CS+ Degrees

- They are *not*: Minor in CS/X. Dual degree.
- They are: **CS(1/2) + X(1/2) = Bachelors in CS+X, owned by Dept X**



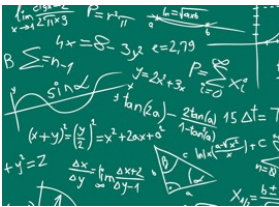
Same CS core classes for all +X





# Illinois CS+X: Starting Portfolio

**CS+Math**



**CS+Statistics**



} Legacy degrees, decades old

**CS+Anthropology**

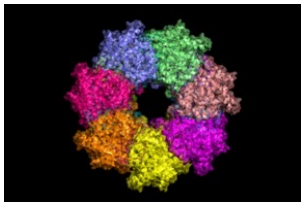


**CS+Astronomy**

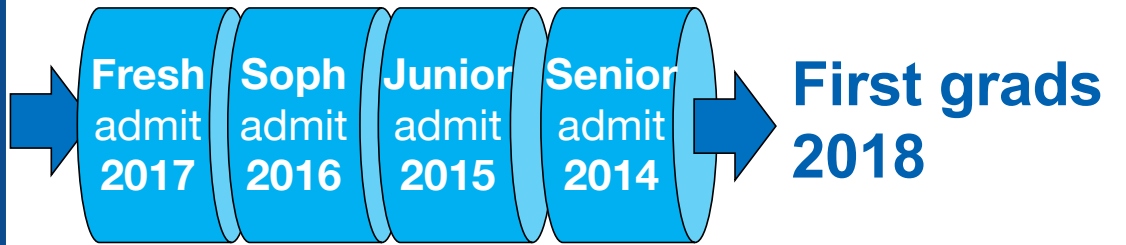


} Design started in 2010,  
approved 2013, admits 2014

**CS+Chemistry**



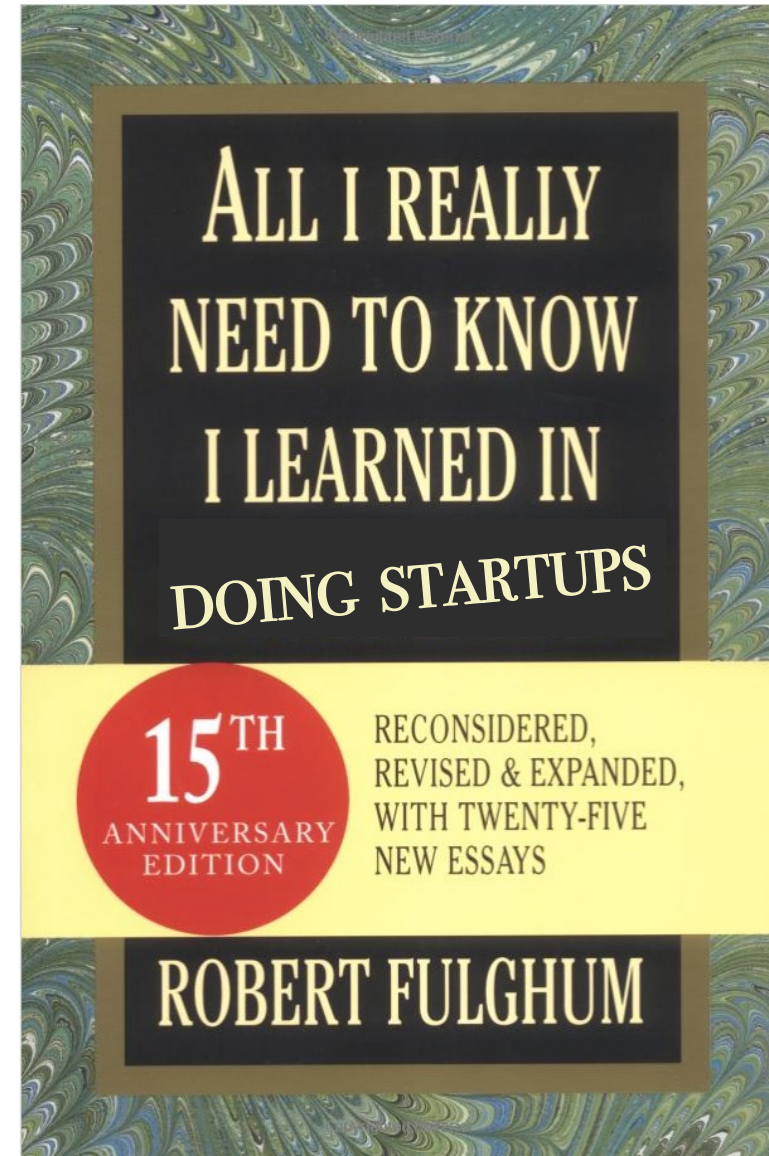
**CS+Linguistics**





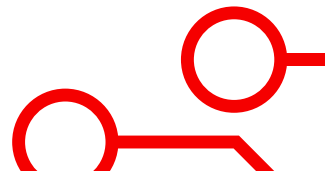
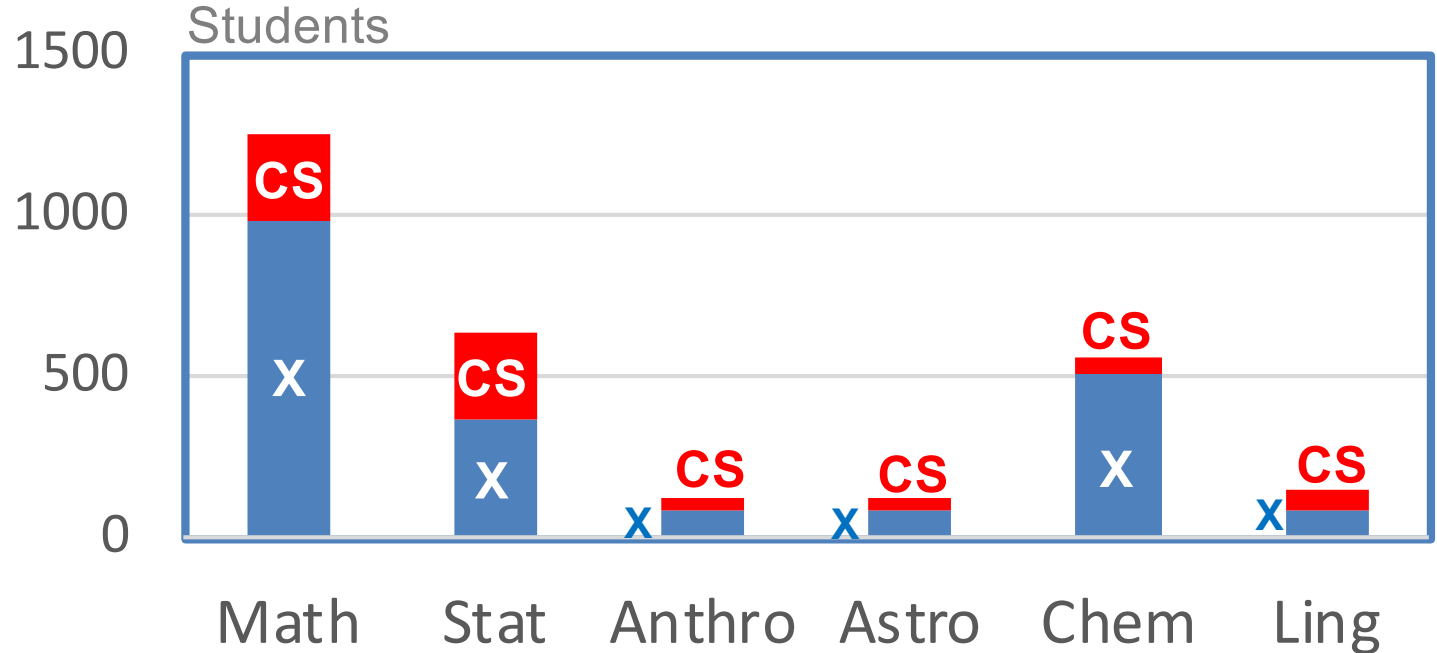
## UIUC CS+X: Design Principles

- **Time-To-Market matters**
  - Optimize to get approvals **fast**
- **Minimum viable degree**
  - CS core courses for all X's = **same**
- **First pitch: Just like Sand Hill Road**
  - Value prop, team, \$\$, etc: **15 mins**
- **Need "early adopter" customers**
  - Partner X's & faculty **inside X**
- **Need a business model early**
  - CS+X is like ENG: **Tuition differential**



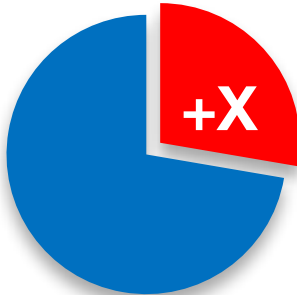
# Illinois CS+X: Enrollment

- CS+X students are a serious part of **many Illinois depts** today
- But absolute numbers is not the full story...



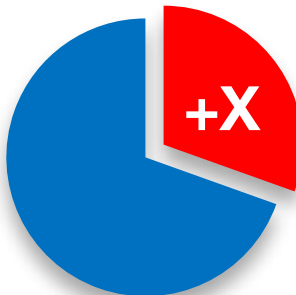
# Illinois CS+X: Traction

**Anthropology**



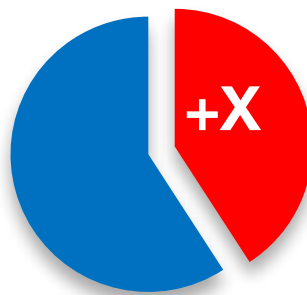
**~28%**  
Of students

**Astronomy**



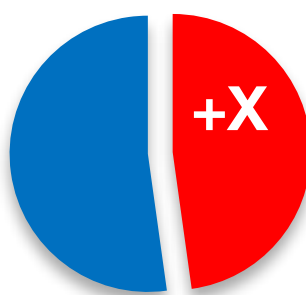
**~30%**  
Of students

**Statistics**



**~41%**  
Of students

**Linguistics**



**~48%**  
Of students

