Ph.D. Qualifying Exam on Software Engineering
Department of Computer Science, University of Houston

TIME and PLACE:
The next qualifying exam will be given at the same time and same place as the final exam of COSC6351, i.e., in Room 232-PGH, starting at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 6, 2005.

REGISTRATION:
Only those who have registered to take the exam by the deadline (to be announced), will be allowed to take the exam (see Amanda Vaughan at the CS Department). Do not register unless you are definitely committed to take it. Those who have registered but failed to show up for the exam will be counted as one failure.

COVERAGE:
The purpose of a qualifying examination is to determine if the student has (a) enough basic knowledge and (b) necessary aptitude to conduct an independent study in the subject area. Part (a) is to be assessed by requiring the student to take the final exam for the current session of COSC6351, which is comprehensive in scope. Part (b) is to be assessed by asking the student to take an additional test, which is to be given immediately after the final exam. In this additional test, the student will be questioned in detail about the material presented in a journal paper on some topic in software engineering. This year, the following paper is chosen for this purpose:


To be able to competently conduct an independent study, the student must be able to read formal technical writings critically. The student will be asked to demonstrate this capability in the test. (It is permissible to bring a copy of this paper to the test.)