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**Colorado Technical University Colorado Springs Hires Industry Expert as  
Dean of Computer Science, Information Technology and Engineering**

Colorado Springs, Colo. (May 17, 2010) – [Colorado Technical University](#) (CTU) Colorado Springs, a leading provider of education to career-motivated students, has announced Dr. Yanzhen Qu as dean of computer science, information technology and engineering.

Qu brings extensive industry and academic knowledge to the position, including leading new product research and innovation, and information technology systems product research and development teams for several multinational corporations including Nortel, Ticketmaster and Nautilus as well as serving as an adjunct faculty member at the [CTU Institute for Advanced Studies](#). Among his professional accomplishments, Qu was the chief system architect and development director for the world's first 100 percent barrier free electronic toll highway system, currently used by Canada's Highway 407 and Israel's national highways.

As dean, Qu plans to enhance the offerings in the computer science, IT and engineering programs. "My time in the classroom and in the field has given me a clear vision of what skills our students need in order to be prepared for the workforce," said Qu. "I want to take these programs to the next level by making them more innovative and market-driven to better serve our students."

During his time as an adjunct faculty member at CTU, Qu taught doctoral classes in computer science and supervised doctoral students as they conducted research and completed their dissertations. In addition, Qu designed and implemented several graduate level courses in computer science and IT.

"Yanzhen has proven to be a great leader in the field and in the education space," said David Leasure, chancellor of CTU Institute for Advanced Studies and chief academic officer of CTU. "With his leadership, CTU programs will become more robust and better prepare our students for careers in computer science, information technology and engineering."

Qu holds his Ph.D. in computer science from Concordia University of Canada and a master's of engineering in electrical engineering from the Science Academy of China. For more information on degrees offered at CTU, please visit: [www.coloradotech.edu](http://www.coloradotech.edu).

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**About Colorado Technical University**

Founded in 1965, Colorado Technical University (CTU) provides higher education for today's career-focused students and offers them support, flexibility and resources to advance personally and professionally. In addition to degree-track programs at the associate and bachelor's levels, CTU offers masters and doctoral degrees through the CTU Institute for Advanced Studies -- an innovative approach to graduate degrees for career-motivated professionals.

CTU campuses include ground schools in Denver; Colorado Springs, Colo.; Pueblo, Colo.; Sioux Falls, S.D.; and Kansas City and an internet based division that delivers degree programs 100 percent online. In fact, the award-winning CTU Online Virtual Campus was recognized as "Best of the Best" in the 2009 Computerworld Honors Program. For more information, please visit [www.coloradotech.edu](http://www.coloradotech.edu).

[CTU is accredited](#) by The Higher Learning Commission and a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. For more info visit [www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org](http://www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org) or call 312-263-0456. CTU is also a member of the Career Education Corporation (NASDAQ:CECO) network of universities, colleges and schools. For more information, visit [www.careered.com](http://www.careered.com). CTU does not guarantee employment or salary.

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