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Information Sought (जानकारी मांगी):	<p>I have observed some irregularity in the selection of faculty in the department of mathematics, IIT Guwahati for which interview was held on 12th April 2016. The norms set out in the advertisement of the aforesaid selection was not being followed. This advertisement was to select candidates in the area of Algebra and some other areas excluding Number theory.</p> <p>A candidate was selected in the aforesaid interview dated 12.03.2016 for Associate Professor in the area of Algebra, though his area of research as can be seen on www.mathscinet.org as well as on his official webpage is the Number theory. The AMS classification for Algebra is 16-xx and for Number Theory is 11-xx. This is clear from the attached email by the then Hod of Mathematics, Prof. S.N. Bora that the candidate under question was shortlisted for the interview for a position of Associate Professor with specialization in Algebra although his area of research is Number Theory.</p> <p>A famous mathematician William Timothy Gowers, who is one of the Filed medal awardees, wrote in his book that Algebra and Number Theory are different areas of Mathematics. Note that the Filed medal often known as Nobel prize in mathematics.</p> <p>Apart from the above disparity, the then HoD Mathematics Prof. S. N. Bora wrote in an email dated December 13, 2015,</p>		

that, the department of mathematics does not require faculty in the Area like algebra. Note that, this email exchange was part of exercise began for selecting faculty for the Department of Mathematics, IIT Guwahati that held on 12th March 2016. Please find the email conversation attached. I am unable to understand, why the then HoD of Mathematics Prof. S. N. Bora has recommended the area Algebra for faculty selection although he denied the request by Dr. Rajesh Kr. Srivastava for the advertisement of Algebra by mentioning, a sufficient number of faculty of Algebra are available in the department of mathematics, IIT Guwahati.

Therefore, I would like to ask the following question:

1. Was an existing faculty of the department of mathematics, IIT Guwahati requested to advertise the area Algebra for the position of associate professor that prompted the then head Professor S. N. Bora to change his decision dated 13.12.2015 and advertised the area Algebra for which 9(nine) faculty are existing according to his email dated 13.12.2015. Please provide a copy of the email from the concerned faculty who wished to advertise Algebra for associate professor or copy of any communication from the concerned faculty to advertise Algebra in the above context.

Regards,
Rajesh.

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Re: Request for Adv. "Algebra-Analysis" at entry level.

Head, Mathematics, IIT Guwahati <hodmath@iitg.ernet.in>

Sun 12/13/2015 8:41 AM

To: Rajesh Srivastava <rksri@iitg.ernet.in>;

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Dear Dr. Srivastava,

The areas to be advertised do not depend on one's wish - neither yours nor mine. The selection of said areas was not arbitrary. The following will give a clear picture whether the department needs people in Analysis and Algebra at entry level at this moment:

The department has the following faculty members in Analysis & Algebra:

ANALYSIS:

Shreemayee Bora (Functional Analysis, Numerical Linear Algebra)
Rafikul Alam (Functional Analysis, Numerical Linear Algebra)
Anjan K Chakrabarty (Functional Analysis)
Arup Chattopadhyay (Functional Analysis and Operator Theory)
Pratyooosh Kumar (Harmonic Analysis)
Rajesh Srivastava (Harmonic Analysis)
Jitendriya Swain (Harmonic Analysis)
PAS Sreekrishna (Low Dimensional Topology - Algebra & Geometry/ Analysis)
KV Srikanth (Low Dimensional Topology - Algebra & Geometry/ Analysis)
MGP Prasad (Complex Analysis)

Analysis Faculty = 10

ALGEBRA (Abstract Algebra/ Linear Algebra):

Vinay V Wagh (Algebraic Geometry - Algebra & Geometry)
Shyamasree Upadhyay (Algebraic Combinatorics - Algebra)
K V Krishna (General Algebra)
Anupam Saikia (Number Theory - Algebra)
BK Sarma (Fuzzy Group Theory, Matrix Theory - Algebra)
S Pati (Matrix Theory, Graph Theory)
Sriparna Bandyopadhyay (Linear Algebra, Matrix Theory)
Shreemayee Bora (Functional Analysis, Numerical Linear Algebra)
Rafikul Alam (Functional Analysis, Numerical Linear Algebra)

Algebra Faculty = 9

Total Faculty in Algebra and Analysis = 17

Total Faculty in the Department = 33

Percentage of Algebra and Analysis Faculty = $(17/33)*100 = 51.51\%$

Even considering that couple of names appear in both lists, the percentage will come down a little bit only.

Therefore, according to the present status and need, the department does not need faculty in algebra and analysis at entry level as of now. Based on the need, those areas may be advertised in future.

This is for information to all.

Thanks and regards,

Swaroop

- > To
- > The HOD,
- > Department of Mathematics,
- > IIT Guwahati.
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- > Dear Prof. S. N. Bora,
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- > After being advised by Prof. Gautam Biswas, I am quoting: "Kindly conduct
- > a departmental meeting. Or else, give your input to the Head of the
- > Department."
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- > I am requesting the HOD to kindly conduct a faculty meeting over this
- > issue.
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- > I am requesting the HOD to kindly consider a request for advertising
- > Algebra-Analysis for the coming faculty selection.
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- > Thanking you,
- > Sincerely,
- > Rajesh.
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External faculty candidates

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Wed 3/2/2016 5:12 PM

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Dear friends,

This is to inform you that the following external candidates have been called to appear for interview for faculty positions to be held on March 12 to be preceded by seminar presentation on March 11, 2016 (2 PM onwards).

A. Associate Professor:

1. Dr. Rupam Barman (Algebra)

B. Assistant Professor/Assistant Professor on Contract:

1. Dr. Charitha Cherugondi (Optimization)
2. Dr. Puduru Viswanadha Reddy (Optimization)
3. Dr. Ayon Ganguly (Statistics)
4. Dr. Chaman Kumar (Probability/Stochastic Processes)
5. Dr. Subhamay Saha (Probability/Stochastic Processes)
6. Dr. Sweta Tiwari (Differential Equations)

The last two candidates will give presentation/will be interviewed through Skype.

The final seminar schedule will be intimated to you in due course of time.

Thanks and regards,

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