## **DTU Students Participate in the ACM/ICPC Programming Contest**

On October 27<sup>th</sup>, the national round of the 2012 ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest began with one hundred and sixty teams participating from Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh City, Danang, Can Tho, Nha Trang, Hung Yen in Hai Duong, Hai Phong and other places. Central Vietnam students assembled at DTU campus to compete. This year, four DTU teams participated.

This year, the national ACM/ICPC contest was held under the supervision of the Asia ACM/ICPC organization. The Vietnam Association for Information Processing (VAIP) will take the responsibility of marking the first round tests and will select the best teams to compete in the final round in Hanoi in November. Then, ten Vietnamese teams will enter the Asian finals.



The DTU Stork 2 Team competes in the contest

All the Vietnamese teams from national universities and colleges performed well in the contest. Thirty-three members of the four DTU teams, four teams from the Danang Polytechnic University, two from the Danang University of Economics and one from the Pham Van Dong University in Quang Ngai completed the computerized tests in three hours. When they finished, their results were automatically uploaded, with the Duy Tan Stork teams 1 and 2 completing two tasks and the Duy Tan Stork teams 3 and 5 completing just one.

Dr. Pham Anh Phuong, Head of Information Systems and Basic Informatics in the DTU Department of Information Technology said: "The contest is held to enhance the research capabilities of qualified IT students. Participants can improve themselves by gaining more experience in programming and teamwork. Similar contests should be organized to benefit the future IT in Vietnam".

The ACM/ICPC is an annual contest attracting teams worldwide. Since 2006, Vietnam has been the official Asian host country. However, this is the first year that the contest has been held in Central Vietnam at DTU.

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