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Throughout their history, IS programs have called many places home. In contrast to other academic disciplines, contemporary Information Systems programs may be found in a variety of places, for example:

- within business schools as separate departments
- within business schools as parts of larger departments
- within computer science departments

Is this diversity the result of chance, or are there compelling reasons to locate an IS program in a particular environment? Each of these alternatives offers a set of advantages and potential limitations. This panel will consider the pros and cons of answers to the question: "where does an IS program belong?"

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