COMPUTER SCIENCE, B.A. TO COMPUTER SCIENCE, M.S. ACCELERATED PROGRAM

Saint Louis University's computer science B.A. to computer science M.S. accelerated program allows a student to complete both the Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science and the Master of Science in Computer Science at SLU in less time than it would take to complete both degrees independently.

For additional information, see the catalog entries for the following SLU programs:

Computer Science, B.A. (https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/science-engineering/computer-science/computer-science-ba/)

Computer Science, M.S. (https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/science-engineering/computer-science/computer-science-ms/)

Requirements

Students who want to apply to this accelerated program should have completed all 2000-level coursework required of the computer science bachelor's program and have completed at least 75 credits at the time of application.

At the time of application, students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.00 and a GPA of at least 3.00 in their computer science coursework. Contact the graduate coordinator for more details.

Non-Course Requirements

All School of Science and Engineering B.A. and B.S. students must complete an exit interview/survey near the end of their bachelor's program.

Continuation Standards

Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 3.00 and a GPA of at least 3.00 in their computer science coursework.

Students who drop below that GPA while in the accelerated program will be placed on a one-semester probationary period before being dismissed from the accelerated program.

Only grades of "B" or better in the graduate courses taken while an undergraduate can be applied to the master's degree.

Roadmap

Roadmaps are recommended semester-by-semester plans of study for programs and assume full-time enrollment unless otherwise noted.

Courses and milestones designated as critical (marked with !) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation. Transfer credit may change the roadmap.

This roadmap should not be used in the place of regular academic advising appointments. All students are encouraged to meet with their advisor/mentor each semester. Requirements, course availability and sequencing are subject to change.

Course	Title	Credits
Year One		
Fall		
CSCI 10xx (p. 2)	Introduction to Computer Science [†]	3
MATH 1660	Discrete Mathematics	3
University Core and/or General Electives		9
	Credits	**15**
Spring		
CSCI 1300	Introduction to Object-Oriented Programming	4
MATH 1510	Calculus I	4
University Core and/or General Electives		9
	Credits	**17**
Year Two		
Fall		
CSCI 2100	Data Structures	4
CSCI 2500	Computer Organization and Systems	3
MATH 1520	Calculus II	4
University Core and/or General Electives		6
	Credits	**17**
Spring		
CSCI 2300	Object-Oriented Software Design	3
CSCI 2510	Principles of Computing Systems	3
Additional Mathematics/Statistics (2000+)		3
University Core and/or General Electives		6
	Credits	**15**
Year Three		
Fall		
CSCI 3100	Algorithms	3
University Core and/or General Electives		12
	Credits	**15**
Spring		
CSCI 55XX	Systems Elective	3
PHIL 3050X	Computer Ethics	3
University Core and/or General Electives		9
	Credits	**15**
Year Four		
Fall		
CSCI 4961	Capstone Project I	2
University Core and/or General Electives		9
CSCI 5000+ Breadth Elective		3
CSCI 5030	Principles of Software Development	3
	Credits	**17**
Spring		
CSCI 4962	Capstone Project II	2
CSCI 5000+ Breadth Elective		3
University Core and/or General Electives		6
CSCI 5xxx	General Electives	3
	Credits	**14**

Year Five

Fall

CSCI 5050	Computing and Society	3
CSCI 51xx	Theory Elective	3
CSCI 5xxx	General Elective	3
	Credits	9

Spring

CSCI 53xx	Software Engineering Elective	3
CSCI 5xxx	General Electives	6
	Credits	9
	Total Credits	**143**

Introduction to Computer Science

Code	Title	Credits
CSCI 1010	Introduction to Computer Science: Principles	
CSCI 1020	Introduction to Computer Science: Bioinformatics	
CSCI 1025	Introduction to Computer Science: Cybersecurity	
CSCI 1030	Introduction to Computer Science: Game Design	
CSCI 1040	Introduction to Computer Science: Mobile Computing	
CSCI 1050	Introduction to Computer Science: Multimedia	
CSCI 1060	Introduction to Computer Science: Scientific Programming	
CSCI 1070	Introduction to Computer Science: Taming Big Data	
CSCI 1080	Introduction to Computer Science: World Wide Web	
CSCI 1090	Introduction to Computer Science: Special Topics	

With permission, a computing-intensive course from another discipline may be substituted. Examples of such courses include:

BME 2000	Biomedical Engineering Computing
CVNG 1500	Civil Engineering Computing
STAT 3850	Foundation of Statistics

Systems

Code	Title	Credits
CSCI 4500	Advanced Operating Systems	
CSCI 4530	Computer Security	
CSCI 4550	Computer Networks	
CSCI 4610	Concurrent and Parallel Programming	
CSCI 4620	Distributed Computing	

Graduate Electives

The general requirements must include a course from at least two of the following categories:

- CSCI 5200-5299 (Language/Compilers courses)
- CSCI 5600-5699 (Large Scale Systems courses)
- CSCI 5700-5799 (Knowledge Systems)
- CSCI 5800-5899 or BCB 5200/5250 (Advanced Applications)

Program Notes

CSCI 5050 Computing and Society (3 cr) requirement will be waived for students who took Computer Ethics as an undergraduate. These hours would become an additional graduate elective.

Thesis Option

A master's thesis is optional. Students completing a thesis should take six credits of CSCI 5990 Thesis Research (0-6 cr) as part of the elective requirements.

Internship with Industry

Students may apply at most three credits of CSCI 5910 Internship with Industry (1-3 cr) toward the degree requirements.

Closely Related Disciplines

With approval, students may include up to six credits of elective graduate coursework in closely related disciplines (e.g., mathematics and statistics, bioinformatics and computational biology, electrical and computer engineering).