Computer Science

Computer science is concerned with theoretical and practical methods of storing, processing and communicating information by means of computing devices and computer networks. Professional computer scientists obtain a formal education through the BS, MS or PhD degrees and apply their knowledge to many diversified fields of science, engineering, business and communications. Computer science offers opportunities to both specialists and generalists.

Within a short period of time, the computing field has evolved from one associated primarily with engineering and scientific calculations of only casual interest to the layperson, to a factor of significant influence in almost every aspect of modern life. Technical careers in computer architecture and software design, as well as applications in the business and scientific areas, require a thorough knowledge of the principles of computer science. In addition, most managers in any field require some familiarity with computers, not only to be able to understand them, but also to incorporate them into their own decision-making processes.

The department offers the full range of degree programs—BS, MS and PhD. A graduate certificate program in big data analytics is also offered. All programs are offered in Stillwater. The BS is also offered on the Tulsa campus. The Computer Science Department has a variety of computing resources, including a Linux cluster (big data lab), several Linux workstations, an iMac mobile app lab, robotics and graphics, and augmented and virtual reality labs. The systems are available to Computer Science students, faculty, and staff for both course assignments and research work. Graduate students have access to several research labs. The department also has a student lounge for networking.

Computer Science students may pursue internships in various industries such as financial/banking, energy (oil, gas, and wind), medical, defense, aeronautical, and IT. Most BS and MS graduates obtain positions in industry. PhD graduates find university teaching and research positions or positions in industry.

Computers can be accessed through the OSU Information Technology Division. There are a number of personal computer labs located in various buildings on campus. Some of the residence halls have personal computer labs available. All of these labs have access to personal computer application software and all mainframe computers on campus, as well as Internet access. Both University and department computers can be accessed 24 hours a day.

Courses

CS 1013 Computer Science Principles
Description: Computing as a creative human activity, abstraction to reduce detail and focus on concepts relevant to understanding and solving problems, describing data and information to facilitate the creation of knowledge, discuss algorithms as tools for developing and expressing solutions to computational problems, use programming is a creative process that produces computational artifacts; and discuss digital devices, systems, and the networks that interconnect them.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 1033 Computer Proficiency
Description: For students with minimal personal computer skills. Use of Internet and productivity software such as word processing, spreadsheets, databases, and presentation software. The ability to log on to a personal computer, access the OSU network, and access OSU Web sites is assumed. Previously offered as CS 1002.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 1103 Computer Programming (A)
Prerequisites: MATH 1513 or higher, each with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: Introduction to computer programming using a high-level computer language, including subprograms and arrays. Principles of problem solving, debugging, documentation, and good programming practice. Elementary methods of searching and sorting. No prior programming or computing experience needed. Previously offered as CS 2103.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

General Education and other Course Attributes: Analytical & Quant Thought

CS 1113 Computer Science Principles
Description: Introduction to computer science using a block-structured high-level computer language, including subprograms, arrays, recursion, records, and abstract data types. Principles of problem solving, debugging, documentation, and good programming practice. Elementary methods of sorting and searching. Use of operating system commands and utilities. Previously offered as CS 2113.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 2 Lab: 2
Levels: Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lab, Lecture, Combined lecture and lab
Department/School: Computer Science

General Education and other Course Attributes: Analytical & Quant Thought

CS 2133 Computer Science II
Prerequisites: CS 1113 with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: Recursive algorithms. Intermediate methods of searching and sorting. Mathematical analysis of space and time complexity, worst case, and average case performance. Course previously offered as CS 3333.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science
CS 2351 Unix Programming  
**Prerequisites:** CS 1113 or EET 2303 with a grade of "C" or better.  
**Description:** The UNIX programming system. The programming environment. The UNIX file system and the shell. Use of pipes and filters. Course previously offered as CS 3451.  
**Credit hours:** 1  
**Contact hours:** Lab: 2  
**Levels:** Undergraduate  
**Schedule types:** Lab  
**Department/School:** Computer Science

CS 2433 C/C++ Programming  
**Prerequisites:** CS 1113 with a grade of "C" or better.  
**Description:** C/C++ programming language types, operators, expressions, control flow, functions, structures, pointers, arrays, UNIX interface. Basic object oriented programming using C++ and the related language syntax and functionality. Previously offered as CS 2432.  
**Credit hours:** 3  
**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3  
**Levels:** Undergraduate  
**Schedule types:** Lecture  
**Department/School:** Computer Science

CS 2570 Special Problems in Computer Science  
**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor and freshman or sophomore standing.  
**Description:** Current topics and applications of computer science. Existing and new topics to computer science. Allows lower-division students to study topics not provided in existing classes. Can be individual study or a class with a new subject. Offered for variable credit, 1-3 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.  
**Credit hours:** 1-3  
**Contact hours:** Other: 1  
**Levels:** Undergraduate  
**Schedule types:** Independent Study  
**Department/School:** Computer Science

CS 2303 Unix Programming  
**Prerequisites:** CS 2351 and CS 3463, each with a grade of "C" or better.  
**Credit hours:** 3  
**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3  
**Levels:** Undergraduate  
**Schedule types:** Lecture  
**Department/School:** Computer Science

CS 2306 Computer Systems  
**Prerequisites:** CS 2133 and CS 2433, each with a grade of "C" or better.  
**Description:** Functional and register level description of computer systems, computer structures, addressing techniques, macros, linkage, input-output operations. Introduction to file processing operations and auxiliary storage devices. Programming assignments are implemented in assembly language.  
**Credit hours:** 3  
**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3  
**Levels:** Undergraduate  
**Schedule types:** Lecture  
**Department/School:** Computer Science

CS 2353 Data Structures and Algorithm Analysis I  
**Prerequisites:** CS 2133 and CS 3653, each with a grade of "C" or better.  
**Description:** Storage, structures, data and information structures, list processing, trees and tree processing, graphs and graph processing, searching, and sorting. Previously offered as CS 4343 and CS 4344.  
**Credit hours:** 3  
**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3  
**Levels:** Undergraduate  
**Schedule types:** Lecture  
**Department/School:** Computer Science
CS 3653 Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science
Prerequisites: MATH 2144 with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: Theory and applications of discrete mathematical models fundamental to analysis of problems in computer science. Set theory, formal logic and proof techniques, relations and functions, combinatorics and probability, undirected and directed graphs, Boolean algebra, switching logic.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 4143 Computer Graphics
Prerequisites: MATH 2163 with a grade of "C" or better and prior programming experience.
Description: Interactive graphics programming; graphics hardware; geometrical transformation; data structures for graphic representations; viewing in three dimensions; representation of 3D shapes; hidden edge and hidden surface removal algorithms; shading models.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate, Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 4153 Mobile Applications Development
Prerequisites: CS 2133 or 2433, each with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: The history of mobile apps and their implication on computing in general. Survey of the various platforms and approaches used for mobile apps. Examine the differences between "conventional" programs and mobile apps. Learn tools and techniques to develop mobile apps, and demonstrate proficiency through development assignments.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate, Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 4173 Video Game Development
Prerequisites: CS 2133, and CS 2433 and MATH 2144, all with a grade of "C" or better.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate, Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 4183 Video Game Design
Prerequisites: CS 2133 and CS 3653, each with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: Theory and pragmatics of game design including game mechanics, storytelling, and types of game play. The relationship between human/computer interaction and the user experience. A survey of game genres. An overview of the video game industry from a design perspective.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate, Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 4243 Introduction to Computer Security
Prerequisites: CS 3443 with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: Fundamental characteristics of the software life cycle. Tools, techniques, and management controls for development and maintenance of large software systems. Software metrics and models. Human factors and experimental design. Same course as ECEN 4273.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 4273 Software Engineering
Prerequisites: CS 2133, CS 2653 and (CS 3443 or ECEN 3213).
Description: Fundamental characteristics of the software life cycle. Tools, techniques, and management controls for development and maintenance of large software systems. Software metrics and models. Human factors and experimental design. Same course as ECEN 4273.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate, Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 4283 Computer Networks
Prerequisites: CS 2133 with a grade of "C" or better; and CS 3443 or ECEN 3213 with a grade of "C" or better; UNIX knowledge.
Description: Computer networks, distributed systems and their systematic design. Introduction to the use, structure, and architecture of computer networks. Networking experiments to describe network topology. ISO reference model. Same course as ECEN 4283.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate, Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 4323 Design and Implementation of Operating Systems I
Prerequisites: CS 2133; and CS 3443 or ECEN 3213; and CS 3653 and CS 4343, all with a grade of "C" or better.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate, Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science
CS 4433 Introduction to Database Systems
Prerequisites: CS 2133 with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: An overview of database management systems, entity-relationship model, relational model, structural query language, relational algebra, relational database design with normalization theorems, XML; basic file organization and storage management; elementary e-commerce web application development; database systems and the Internet. Previously offered as CS 3423.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate, Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 4513 Numerical Mathematics: Analysis
Prerequisites: MATH 2233 and MATH 3013, each with a grade of "C" or better, knowledge of programming or consent of instructor.
Description: Machine computing, algorithms, and analysis of errors applied to interpolation and approximation of functions solving equations and systems of equations; discrete variable methods for integrals and differential equations. Same course as MATH 4513.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate, Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 4570 Special Topics in Computing
Prerequisites: Honors Program participation, junior standing.
Description: Advanced topics and applications of computer science. Typical topics include operating systems, multiprocessor systems, programming systems or various mathematical and statistical packages. Designed to allow students to study topics not provided in existing courses. Offered for variable credit, 1-3 credit hours, maximum of 5 credit hours.
Credit hours: 1-3
Contact hours: Other: 1
Levels: Graduate, Undergraduate
Schedule types: Independent Study
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 4793 Artificial Intelligence I
Prerequisites: CS 2133 and CS 3653, each with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: Broad coverage of core artificial intelligence (AI) topics, including search-oriented problem solving, knowledge representation, logical inference, AI languages, history and philosophy of AI.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate, Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 4883 Social Issues in Computing
Prerequisites: Senior standing and ENGL 3323 or BCOM 3113 or BCOM 3223 with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: The history and evolution of computing systems, providing the background for the analysis of the social impact of computers. The social implications of computer use and/or misuse with emphasis on the effects on the individual, society, and other human institutions. Social responsibilities of people involved in using or applying computers.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 4993 Senior Honors Project
Prerequisites: Departmental invitation, senior standing, Honors Program participation.
Description: A guided reading and research program ending with an honors project under the direction of a faculty member, with a second faculty reader and an oral examination. Required for graduation with departmental honors in computing and information science.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Undergraduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 5000 Master's Thesis
Prerequisites: Consent of major professor.
Description: Roles and responsibilities of the agricultural education teacher; types of program offerings; steps of the teaching-learning process; place of agricultural education in relation to other educational programs in school systems. Offered for variable credit, 1-6 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.
Credit hours: 1-6
Contact hours: Other: 1
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Independent Study
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 5030 Professional Practice
Prerequisites: Graduate standing in computer science, consent of the department head.
Description: Experience in the application of computer science principles to problems encountered in industry and government. Participation in problem solving in the role of junior computer scientist, junior software engineer, or computer science intern. All problem solutions documented. Required written report to the major professor. Offered for variable credit, 1-9 credit hours, maximum of 9 credit hours.
Credit hours: 1-9
Contact hours: Other: 1
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Independent Study
Department/School: Computer Science
CS 5033 Parallel Algorithms and Programming  
**Prerequisites:** CS 4343 with a grade of "C" or better, or consent of instructor.  
**Description:** Models of parallel computation, design and analysis of parallel algorithms: fundamental parallel algorithms for selected sorting, arithmetic, and matrix, and graph problems, and applications in science and engineering, message-passing programming, and shared-memory programming.  
**Credit hours:** 3  
**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3  
**Levels:** Graduate  
**Schedule types:** Lecture  
**Department/School:** Computer Science

CS 5070 Seminar and Special Problems  
**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor.  
**Description:** Designed to allow students to study advanced topics not provided in existing courses. Offered for variable credit, maximum of 6 credit hours.  
**Credit hours:** 1-6  
**Contact hours:** Other: 1  
**Levels:** Graduate  
**Schedule types:** Independent Study  
**Department/School:** Computer Science

CS 5113 Computer Organization and Architecture  
**Prerequisites:** CS 3443 with a grade of "C" or better.  
**Description:** Computer architecture, computer control, microprogrammed control, addressing structures, memory hierarchies, hardware description languages, specific architectures, hardware simulation, and emulation.  
**Credit hours:** 3  
**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3  
**Levels:** Graduate  
**Schedule types:** Lecture  
**Department/School:** Computer Science

CS 5123 Cloud Computing and Distributed Systems  
**Prerequisites:** CS 3443 and CS 4343, each with a grade of "C" or better.  
**Description:** Cloud computing architecture and models. Usage of Virtual Machines. Distributed systems architecture and models. Using the cloud for big data analytics. Distributed and peer-to-peer computing frameworks. Security.  
**Credit hours:** 3  
**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3  
**Levels:** Graduate  
**Schedule types:** Lecture  
**Department/School:** Computer Science

CS 5173 Video Game Production  
**Prerequisites:** CS 4173 and CS 4183, each with a grade of "C" or better.  
**Description:** The various aspects of video game production and the video game industry will be covered, including technical production and testing, roles and responsibilities of team members, project management, and legal concerns related to video game production. Professionals from the video game industry will be invited to make presentations.  
**Credit hours:** 3  
**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3  
**Levels:** Graduate  
**Schedule types:** Lecture  
**Department/School:** Computer Science

CS 5243 Introduction to Computer Security  
**Prerequisites:** CS 4343 with a grade of "C" or better.  
**Description:** Introductory course to computer security. Covers a broad range of basic topics in security, including cryptography, computer security, and network security. May not be used for degree credit with CS 4243.  
**Credit hours:** 3  
**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3  
**Levels:** Graduate  
**Schedule types:** Lecture  
**Department/School:** Computer Science

CS 5253 Digital Comp Design  
**Prerequisites:** ECEN 3223 with a grade of "C" or better.  
**Description:** Analysis and design of digital computers. Arithmetic algorithms and the design of the arithmetic/logic unit (ALU). Serial and parallel data processing; control and timing systems; microprogramming; memory organization alternatives; input/output interfaces. Same course as ECEN 5253.  
**Credit hours:** 3  
**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3  
**Levels:** Graduate  
**Schedule types:** Lecture  
**Department/School:** Computer Science

CS 5263 Quantum Computing  
**Prerequisites:** Graduate standing.  
**Description:** The main theory of quantum information science and its applications to communications, computing and cryptography. Topics include introduction to quantum mechanics, quantum gates, circuits, entropy, cryptographic schemes, and implementations. Current technology in support of quantum processing will be reviewed.  
**Credit hours:** 3  
**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3  
**Levels:** Graduate  
**Schedule types:** Lecture  
**Department/School:** Computer Science

CS 5273 Advanced Software Engineering  
**Prerequisites:** CS 4273 with a grade of "C" or better.  
**Description:** Continuation of CS 4273. Formal methods for software design and development. Static analysis. Emerging design and development approaches. Model checking and model-based software reuse. Component-based software engineering and software repositories.  
**Credit hours:** 3  
**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3  
**Levels:** Graduate  
**Schedule types:** Lecture  
**Department/School:** Computer Science

CS 5283 Computer Network Programming  
**Prerequisites:** CS 4283 with a grade of "C" or better.  
**Description:** Detailed technical concepts related to Internet and multimedia, high speed LANS, high speed transport protocols, MPLS, multicasting, Int. serv/Diff serv, Router Buffer management, self-similar traffic, and socket programming.  
**Credit hours:** 3  
**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3  
**Levels:** Graduate  
**Schedule types:** Lecture  
**Department/School:** Computer Science
CS 5313 Formal Language Theory
Prerequisites: CS 3613 with a grade of "C" or better.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 5323 Design and Implementation of Operating Systems II
Prerequisites: CS 4323 with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: Task systems and concurrent programming, synchronization, and inter process communication. Theoretical investigation of resource sharing and deadlock, memory management, strategies, and scheduling algorithms, queuing theory, distributed operating systems. System accounting, user services and utilities.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 5363 Advanced Organization of Programming Languages
Prerequisites: CS 3363 with a grade of "C" or better.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 5373 Advanced Object-Oriented Programming for Windowing Environments
Prerequisites: For CS students: CS 2133 and CS 2433, each with a grade of "C" or better. For TCOM students: CS 4343 with a grade of "C" or better and a working knowledge of C++.
Description: Applying the object-oriented computing model to the design and development of software for windowing environments. Effective use of Graphical User Interfaces (GUIs), the Internet, data interchange principles and related topics. No credit for students with credit in CS 3373.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 5413 Data Structures and Algorithm Analysis II
Prerequisites: CS 4343 with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: Data structures and their application in recursive and iterative algorithms. Static and dynamic data structure representations and processing algorithms. Dynamic and virtual storage management.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 5423 Principles of Database Systems
Prerequisites: CS 4343 and CS 4433 or equivalent, all with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: An overview of database management systems, entity-relationship model, relational model, structural query language, relational algebra, functional dependencies, relational database design with normalization theorems, query processing, fault recovery, concurrent control, web-based database systems. Introduction to NoSQL databases, querying NoSQL databases.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 5433 Big Data Management
Prerequisites: CS 5423 or CS 4433, with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: Introduction to storing, processing and analyzing big data. Topics to be covered include map-reduce model within the Hadoop framework, data summarization, query and analysis; data munging and transformation; streaming data; transferring structured data; setting up distributed services; fast data processing using Apache Spark, including querying, live data streaming, machine learning and parallel processing; writing data pipeline jobs; introduction to machine learning using R or Python.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 5513 Numerical Computation
Prerequisites: MATH 2233 with a grade of "C" or better; and MATH 3013 or MATH 3263 or equivalent courses with a grade of "C" or better; CS 3513 or MATH 4513 or an equivalent course with a grade of "C" or better; a knowledge of computer programming.
Description: Errors in machine computation; condition of problems and stability of algorithms; interpolation and approximation; nonlinear equations; linear and nonlinear systems; differentiation and integration; applications to modeling, simulation, and/or optimization.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 5653 Automata and Finite State Machines
Prerequisites: CS 5313 with a grade of "C" or better.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 5853 Automata and Finite State Machines
Prerequisites: CS 5313 with a grade of "C" or better.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science
CS 5663 Computability and Decidability
Prerequisites: CS 5313 with a grade of "C" or better.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 5783 Machine Learning
Prerequisites: CS 4343 and MATH 3013.
Description: A probabilistic, statistical approach to automated pattern discovery applied to large datasets. Constructing computational models with this information and assessing their behavior and reliability. Representing data and devising tools for discovering these models. Class focuses on the development and analysis of learning algorithms as well as the mathematical formulations underlying statistical processing.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 5793 Artificial Intell II
Prerequisites: CS 4793 with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: Advance knowledge representation and expert system building, including reasoning under uncertainty. Applications to planning, intelligent agents, natural language processing, robotics, and machine learning.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Lecture

CS 5813 Principles of Wireless Networks
Prerequisites: CS 4283 or ECEN 4283, with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: Wireless network operation, planning, mobility management, cellular and mobile data networks based on CDMA, TDMA, GSM, IEEE 802-11 WLANs, Adhoc networks, Bluetooth, power management, wireless geolocation and indoor positioning techniques. Same course as ECEN 5563.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 5823 Network Algorithmics
Prerequisites: CS 4283 and CS 4323, with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: Discusses principles of efficient network implementation-router architecture, end node architecture, data copying, timer maintenance, demultiplexing, forwarding table, lookups, switching, scheduling, IP traceback.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 6000 Doctoral Dissertation
Prerequisites: Graduate standing and approval of advisory committee.
Description: Graduate standing and approval of advisory committee. Independent research under the direction of a member of the graduate faculty. For students working toward a PhD degree. Offered for variable credit, 2-15 credit hours, maximum of 40 credit hours.
Credit hours: 2-15
Contact hours: Other: 2
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Independent Study
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 6210 Advanced Topics in Parallel and Distributed Systems
Prerequisites: CS 5113 with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: The state-of-the-art of parallel and distributed systems. Design, implementation, and analysis of parallel and distributed system architectures, protocols, and algorithms. Resource management, scheduling, and coordination. Internet-scale systems, middleware and services, virtualization, and distributed operating systems. Parallel and distributed programming paradigms: message-passing, shared memory, data-intensive, high performance, high throughput. Offered for variable credit, 2-6 credit hours, maximum of 12 credit hours.
Credit hours: 2-6
Contact hours: Other: 2
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Independent Study
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 6240 Advanced Topics in Computer Organization
Prerequisites: CS 5113 and CS 5253, each with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: Structure and organization of advanced computer systems, parallel and pipeline computers, methods of computation, alignment networks, conflict-free memories, and bounds on computation time. Offered for variable credit, 2-6 credit hours, maximum of 12 credit hours.
Credit hours: 2-6
Contact hours: Other: 2
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Independent Study

CS 6253 Advanced Topics in Computer Architecture
Prerequisites: CS 5253 or ECEN 5253, with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: Innovations in the architecture and organization of computers, with an emphasis on parallelism. Topics may include pipelining, multiprocessors, data flow, and reduction machines. Same course as ECEN 6253.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 6300 Advanced Topics in Programming Languages
Prerequisites: CS 5313 with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: Interpreter models of programming language semantics, Vienna definition language, lambda calculus, LISP definition; Knuth semantic systems and their formulation, translational and denotational semantics. May be repeated with change of topics. Offered for variable credit, 2-6 credit hours, maximum of 12 credit hours.
Credit hours: 2-6
Contact hours: Other: 2
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Independent Study
Department/School: Computer Science
CS 6350 Advanced Topics in Operating Systems
Prerequisites: CS 5323 with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: Design and analysis of operating systems. Concurrent processes, server scheduling, models of auxiliary storage, memory management, virtual systems, and performance algorithms. May be repeated with a change in topics. Offered for variable credit, 2-6 credit hours, maximum of 12 credit hours.
Credit hours: 2-6
Contact hours: Other: 2
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Independent Study
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 6400 Advanced Topics in Information Systems
Prerequisites: CS 5413 and CS 5423, each with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: Principles of distributed database systems. Overview of relational database management systems (DBMS) and computer networks, distributed DBMS architecture, distributed database design, distributed concurrency control, query processing and distributed DBMS reliability. Offered for variable credit, 2-6 credit hours, maximum of 12 credit hours.
Credit hours: 2-6
Contact hours: Other: 2
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Independent Study
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 6500 Advanced Topics in Numerical Analysis
Prerequisites: MATH 5513 or CS 4513 with a grade of "C" or better, or MATH 4513 with a grade of "C" or better and consent of instructor.
Description: Systems of nonlinear equations, nonlinear least squares problems, iterative methods for large systems of linear equations, finite element methods, solution of partial differential equations. May be repeated with change of topics. Offered for variable credit, 2-6 credit hours, maximum of 12 credit hours.
Credit hours: 2-6
Contact hours: Other: 2
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Independent Study
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 6600 Advanced Topics in Analysis of Algorithms
Prerequisites: CS 5413 with a group of "C" or better.
Description: Analysis of various algorithms. Sorting, searching, computational complexity, lower bounds for algorithms; NP-hard and NP-complete problems; parallel algorithms; proof of correctness of algorithms. May be repeated with change of topics. Offered for variable credit, 2-6 credit hours, maximum of 12 credit hours.
Credit hours: 2-6
Contact hours: Other: 2
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Independent Study
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 6620 Advanced Topics in Applied Algorithms
Prerequisites: CS 4343 with a grade of "C" or better or consent of instructor.
Description: Recent advances in the design and analysis of data structures and algorithms for real-world applications in diverse problem domains. Problem domain designated for the course will differ in each offering and with instructor's interests. Core topics include mathematical modeling of complex applied problems, and studies of relevant fundamental algorithmic techniques and their experimental analysis on real datasets. Offered for 3 fixed credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Lecture: 3
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 6623 Algebraic Structures of Formal Grammars
Prerequisites: CS 5313 and CS 5653, all with a grade of "C" or better.
Description: Context-free languages, Kleene languages, Dyck languages, context-sensitive languages; use of algebraic systems to define languages; linear bounded automata.
Credit hours: 3
Contact hours: Other: 3
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Independent Study
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 6700 Advanced Topics in Artificial Intelligence
Prerequisites: CS 5793 with a grade of "C" or better, or consent of instructor.
Description: Machine learning; computer perception and robotics; logic programming; natural language understanding; intelligent agents; medical informatics. May be repeated with change of topics. Offered for variable credit, 2-6 credit hours, maximum of 12 credit hours.
Credit hours: 2-6
Contact hours: Other: 2
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Independent Study
Department/School: Computer Science

CS 6800 Advanced Topics in Computing Networks
Prerequisites: CS 5283 with a grade of "C" or better; Graduate standing in Computer Science; consent of instructor.
Description: Large scale embedded networks, deep-space networking, ubiquitous computing, optical networking, Next Generation Internet. May be repeated with change of topics. Offered for variable credit, 2-12 credit hours, maximum of 12 credit hours.
Credit hours: 2-12
Contact hours: Lecture: 2
Levels: Graduate
Schedule types: Lecture
Department/School: Computer Science

Undergraduate Programs

- Computer Science, BS (http://catalog.okstate.edu/arts-sciences/computer-science/bs)
- Computer Science (CS), Minor (http://catalog.okstate.edu/arts-sciences/computer-science/minor)
Graduate Programs

MS and PhD Programs

The department offers degree programs in the Master of Science degree and the Doctor of Philosophy degree. These programs are designed to prepare an individual to pursue a career in either an academic or an industrial setting. In addition to taking a prescribed set of core courses, a student must take sufficient courses in one specialized area. A student must complete a dissertation for a PhD degree. The MS degree program provides a thesis option and a non-thesis option. The non-thesis option requires a student to complete a report.

The core course requirement assures the student of breadth of knowledge in computer science; the freedom to choose an area and additional research provides the student enough depth in some facets of computer science to carry out independent investigations in those areas, and to put concepts and ideas learned to practical use.

For a master’s degree in the thesis option, 30 hours of graduate credit, including a six-credit-hour thesis, are required. For a master’s degree in the non-thesis option, 33 hours of graduate credit, including a two credit-hour report, are required. A master’s degree student is required to pass an oral examination over the thesis or the report. If the oral examination is over a report, the committee members may ask questions over material covered in both core courses and in all courses listed on the Plan of Study and in all prerequisites for these courses.

For the PhD, 60 credit hours beyond a master’s degree or 90 hours beyond a bachelor’s degree are required. A dissertation of 15 to 40 hours (counting towards the maximum) is required. The PhD dissertation must describe original research. PhD students must pass (at an appropriate level) a diagnostic examination, a comprehensive examination, a qualifying examination and a final oral examination. In general, both academic and industrial positions exist for each PhD graduate.

The candidate’s baccalaureate degree need not be in computer science in order to enter the MS program. Students with degrees in other areas may be admitted provisionally and required to take specified prerequisite courses.

Graduate Certificate Program in Big Data Analytics

The goal of the big data analytics program is to facilitate the capture, curation, storage, search, transfer and analysis of large and complex data sets that have direct relevance to everyday situations and problems through interdisciplinary education, research, service and outreach.

The graduate certificate in Big Data Analytics may be completed in conjunction with the master’s degree in Computer Science. To see required courses for this program, please go to: https://cs.okstate.edu/bigdatacert.html.

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