PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The BS degree in Computer Science is accredited by the Computer Science Accreditation Commission (CSAC) of the Computing Sciences Accreditation Board.

The BS program provides majors with a sound educational base. Beyond the core curriculum students select three elective courses with the help of faculty advisors.

The minor in Computer Science is available for students majoring in disciplines other than Computer Engineering.

The department has created a new certificate program in Managing Information on the World Wide Web. The program is designed for non-CSC majors. Students who complete the series of seven courses will be able to install and maintain a reasonably complex web server, create home pages, and link pages to local databases.

The department offers two programs in conjunction with other units: with the Mathematics Department, a BA double major in Mathematics and Computer Science (refer to the Mathematics section of this catalog); with the Electrical and Electronics Engineering Department, a major in Computer Engineering (refer to the Computer Engineering section of this catalog).

Note: All students are admitted as pre-Computer Science majors. To change to the Computer Science major, students who have completed the following lower division (pre-major) requirements are required to complete and submit a Change of Major form to the Computer Science Department office along with transcript copies: CSC 015, CSC 020, CSC 028, CSC 035, CSC 060, and MATH 030 and MATH 031.

FEATURES

The department consists of 23 full-time faculty members. The faculty’s research interests span a broad spectrum of Computer Science including machine learning, pattern recognition, knowledge representation, logic programming, database systems, fault tolerant computing, VLSI design, system integration, computer interfacing, computer networks, distributed systems, computer architecture, parallel processing, concurrent programming, object-oriented programming, analysis of complex systems, project management, verification and validation, computer graphics, user interfaces, performance modeling and evaluation, modeling and simulation, formal methods, and theory of computing.

A large heterogeneous network of Hewlett-Packard, Intel and Sun servers and workstations supports the instructional programs. PC laboratories support lower and some upper division instruction. An advanced workstation laboratory provides access to RISC servers. Specialized laboratories support systems, communications and networking, and computer architecture instruction. A graduate laboratory is designed to provide graduate students with access to a variety of advanced workstations. All students have access to the Internet and the World Wide Web. Majors are urged to join the student chapter of the Association for Computing Machinery or the IEEE Computer Society. Students with high scholastic achievement may be invited to join Upsilon Pi Epsilon, the National Honor Society in Computer Science. The university’s proximity to many California State agencies and major computer corporations provides numerous opportunities for part-time student employment.

CAREER POSSIBILITIES

Computer Scientist • Management Information Specialist
• Computer Systems Analyst • Technical Representative • Teleprocessing Coordinator • Scientific Application Programmer • Data Processing Application Programmer • Computer Operations Manager • Computer Services Coordinator • Data Base Administrator • Data Communications Manager • Data Processing Manager • Information Specialist • Programmer Analyst • Software Engineer • Systems Manager • Systems Programmer • Technical Control Specialist • Computer Graphics Specialist • Knowledge Engineer • Systems Engineer
MAJOR REQUIREMENTS - BS

Total units required for BS: 130
Total units required for Major: 87-89 units

Courses in parentheses are prerequisites.

Note: Grade of "C-" or better required in all courses applied to the Computer Science major.

A. Required Lower Division Courses (15 units)
   (3) CSC 015 Programming Concepts & Methodology I
       (CSC 010 or programming experience)
   (3) CSC 020 Programming Concepts & Methodology II
       (CSC 015)
   (3) CSC 028 Discrete Structures for Computer Science
       (MATH 029, CSC 020; CSC 020 may be taken concurrently)
   (3) CSC 035 Assembly Language Programming (CSC 015)
   (3) CSC 060 Introduction to Systems Programming
       (CSC 020)

B. Required Mathematics Courses (15 units)
   (4) MATH 030 Calculus I (MATH 029)
   (4) MATH 031 Calculus II (MATH 030)
   (3) MATH 101 Discrete Mathematics (CSC 028, MATH 031)
   (4) STAT 050 Introduction to Probability & Statistics
       (MATH 030)

C. Required Science Courses (11-13 units)
   (4) PHYS 011A General Physics: Mechanics (MATH 030, MATH 031)
   (4) PHYS 011C General Physics: Electricity & Magnetism,
       Modern Physics (MATH 031, PHYS 011A)
   (3-5) Select one of the following:
       BIO 011 Animal Biology (BIO 010)
       BIO 012 Plant Biology (BIO 010)
       BIO 022 Introductory Human Anatomy (BIO 010)
       BIO 102 The Natural History of Plants (a college biology course)
       BIO 103 Plants & Civilization (BIO 010)
       BIO 104 Physiology of Human Reproduction (BIO 010 or BIO 020)
       BIO 115 Introduction to Neurosciences (PSYC 001, PSYC 101;
       physiology and chemistry background strongly recommended)
       BIO 120 Biology of Aging (BIO 010 or BIO 020)
       CHEM 001A General Chemistry
       CSC 148 Systems Simulation (MATH 031, STAT 050,
       proficiency in a programming language)
       ECON 141 Introduction to Econometrics (ECON 001A, ECON 001B,
       STAT 001; ECON 100A or ECON 100B recommended)
       ENGR 017 Introductory Circuit Analysis (PHYS 011C, MATH 045)
       ENGR 045 Engineering Materials (PHYS 011A, CHEM 001A)
       PHYS 011B General Physics: Heat, Light, Sound
       (PHYS 011A)
       PHYS 011C Introduction to Electric & Electronics Measurements
       (PHYS 011C)

* The course chosen cannot be used to satisfy the General Education B2 requirement.

Note: CSAB, the Computer Science accreditation agency, requires that students take a two-semester sequence in a laboratory science
       (PHYS 011A and PHYS 011C satisfies this requirement) and two additional one-semester courses in a scientific discipline or in a
       quantitative science. The courses in a scientific discipline must be those typically taken by the majors in that discipline. Students
       ordinarily complete one of the two courses required by choosing an appropriate course in General Education Category B2. BIO 010,
       Basic Biological Concepts, is recommended for meeting this requirement. The second course is expected to be chosen from the
       list above. Hence, students must have taken a total of four courses in this category.

D. Required Upper Division Courses (37 units)
   (3) CSC 130 Data Structures & Algorithm Analysis
       (CSC 020, CSC 028)
   (3) CSC 131 Computer Software Engineering (CSC 130; may be taken concurrently)
   (3) CSC 132 Computing Theory (CSC 028, CSC 130; CSC 130 may be taken concurrently)
   (3) CSC 133 Object-Oriented Computer Graphics Programming
       (CSC 060, CSC 130)
   (3) CSC 134 File Organization for Data Management
       (CSC 130)
   (3) CSC 136 Programming Languages (CSC 132)
   (4) CSC 137 Computer Organization (CSC 028, CSC 035, CSC 130)
   (3) CSC 138 Computer Networks and Internets (CSC 035, CSC 060, CSC 130)
   (3) CSC 139 Operating System Principles (CSC 060, CSC 137; or equivalents)
   (2) CSC 190* Senior Project: Part I (CSC 131, senior standing in CSC, WPE)
   (2) CSC 191 Senior Project: Part II (CSC 190)
   (3) PHIL 103 Business & Computer Ethics

* Senior standing is defined as successful completion of at least five required upper division computer science courses beyond
   CSC 130 and excluding CSC 192-199 courses.

E. Electives (9 units)
   In addition to the required lower-division and upper-division Computer Science courses (CSC 015, CSC 020, CSC 028, CSC 035, CSC 060,
   CSC 130, CSC 131, CSC 132, CSC 133, CSC 134, CSC 136, CSC 137, CSC 138, CSC 139, CSC 190, CSC 191 and 2 units of CSC 192, CSC 194,
   CSC 195, CSC 198, CSC 199) Computer Science majors must take three additional elective courses, totaling at least nine (9) units,
   chosen from undergraduate Computer Science courses numbered CSC 140 or above (excluding CSC 192, CSC 194, CSC 195, CSC 198, CSC 199).
   Any combination of courses is acceptable, but it is highly recommended that these elective courses be chosen with advisor consultation
   and approval. With advance written approval from their advisor, qualified students may take graduate courses as electives. In
   any case students must meet the prerequisite stated in the catalog prior to taking any elective course.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Note: Useful information can also be found in the College of Engineering and Computer Science section.

Work Experience

Students may receive a limited amount of academic credit for relevant work experience in computer science. There are
many opportunities for students to work part-time in state government and in positions in federal and local
governments. The number of private employers is also increasing as new high-technology industry moves to the
Sacramento area. Work experience often leads to a permanent position upon graduation.
Cooperative Education Program

The Computer Science Department encourages students to participate in the Cooperative Education Program which provides alternate periods of university study and major-related, paid, off-campus work experience in private industry or government. The experience will enhance the student’s employment prospects upon graduation. Most participants in this program will complete the equivalent of two six-month work periods, one in their junior year and one in their senior year. Students must enroll in the appropriate Professional Practice course (CSC 195A, CSC 195B, CSC 195C, or CSC 195D) and are awarded a certificate upon satisfactory completion of the two work periods. However, the credits for this course do not replace the curricular requirements of the BS Computer Science degree. Students interested in the Cooperative Education Program should apply in the satellite office in Riverside Hall 2004 or the main office in Lassen Hall 2008. For information call 278-7234.

MINOR REQUIREMENTS

Total units required for Minor: 18

A. Required Courses (9 units)
   (3) CSC 015  Programming Concepts & Methodology I
             (CSC 010, programming experience)
   (3) CSC 020  Programming Concepts & Methodology II (CSC 015)
   (3) CSC 130  Data Structures and Algorithm Analysis
                (CSC 020, CSC 028)

B. Electives (9 units)
   (9) Select nine additional units with faculty approval; at least 6 units must be upper division courses, and only courses which are part of the major may be applied to this requirement.

Certificate Program
Managing Information On The World Wide Web

Provides students with knowledge and understanding about managing a web site. The program is specifically intended for non-Computer Science students interested in mastering a set of skills for creating and managing information on a web server. Students who complete the series of courses listed below will receive a Certificate.

Note: A grade of “C-” or better required in all courses applied to this Certificate Program.

Required courses
   (2) CSC 008  Exploring the Internet
   (2) CSC 022  Visual Programming in BASIC
   (3) CSC 080  Information Exchange on the Web
   (3) CSC 120  Setting up and Maintaining a Web Server
   (3) CSC 121  Using Scripts on the Web
   (3) CSC 122  Web Database Systems
   (3) CSC 123  Server Side Web Programming

Select one elective course from CSC or COMS with advisor approval; courses in CSC or COMS can be used in place of either CSC 122 or CSC 123, but not both.

GRADUATE PROGRAMS

The Computer Science Department offers Master’s Degree programs in Computer Science and Software Engineering as well as Certificates of Advanced Study for students enrolled in these programs.

The primary goal of each of these programs is to prepare students to serve as effective professional computer specialists in a society which increasingly depends on computer usage and technology. A secondary goal is to prepare some students for research, teaching, or further study toward the Ph.D. in Computer Science. The programs also enable individuals with background in other areas to obtain the skills and knowledge necessary to enter and advance in employment in computer-related industries.

The admission requirements for the Master’s in Computer Science and the Master’s in Software Engineering are identical. The core curriculum for both programs is identical. The Master of Science in Computer Science requires advanced coursework in a minimum of three of the following areas: computer architecture/computer engineering, software engineering, systems software, intelligent systems, communications and networking, and database management systems. The Master of Science in Software Engineering requires advanced coursework in the software engineering area exclusively.

The department has a small number of graduate assistantships for qualified graduate students. Graduate assistants assist in instruction of undergraduate courses, supervision of laboratory work, and aid faculty members in research projects. Interested persons should apply in the department office.

Due to the large number of graduate students in computer science who are employed, most graduate level courses are offered in the late afternoon or evening.

Admission Requirements

Admission as a classified graduate student requires:

- a baccalaureate degree;
- a minimum 3.0 GPA in the last 60 units attempted;
- GRE general test;
- mathematical preparation including two semesters of calculus, one semester of calculus-based probability and statistics, and discrete mathematics corresponding to CSUS courses MATH 030, MATH 031, STAT 050, MATH 101;
- Computer Science lower division preparation including programming proficiency, machine organization, and UNIX and PC-based program development environment proficiency corresponding to CSUS courses CSC 015, CSC 020, CSC 028, CSC 035, and CSC 060 and as evidenced by a pass on the graduate student placement test or a baccalaureate degree in Computer Science; and
- Computer Science advanced preparation as evidenced by a 3.25 GPA in the following CSUS upper division computer science courses or their equivalent elsewhere: CSC 130, CSC 131, CSC 132, CSC 137, CSC 139.

Applicants with deficiencies in the admission requirements are advised to remove any such deficiencies before applying.
Admission Procedures
Applications are accepted during the initial filing period of the semester (February for Fall semesters or August for Spring semesters). All prospective graduate students, including CSUS graduates, must file the following with the CSUS Graduate Center:

- an application for admission and a supplemental application for graduate admission (Forms A and B in the CSU application booklet);
- two sets of official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended, other than CSUS;
- GRE General test scores

Priority is given to applications received before April 1 (Fall semester) and October 1 (Spring semester).

Advancement to Candidacy
Each student must file an application for Advancement to Candidacy, indicating a proposed program of graduate study. This procedure should begin as soon as the classified graduate student has:

- removed any deficiencies in Admission Requirements; and
- completed at least 12 units of graduate level (200 series) computer science courses with a minimum 3.0 GPA.

Students must have been advanced to candidacy before they can register for Master’s thesis or project. Advancement to Candidacy forms are available in the Graduate Center. The student fills out the form after planning a degree program in consultation with a Computer Science graduate advisor. The completed form must be signed by the Graduate Coordinator or the Department Chair and is then returned to the Graduate Center for approval.

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE**

Degree Requirements
The Master of Science in Computer Science requires completion of 30 units of coursework, including at least 21 units of 200-level and 500-level courses, with a minimum 3.0 GPA. Only those courses completed within seven years prior to date of graduation will satisfy course requirements. An outline of degree requirements follows:

A. **Required Courses (13 units)**

1. CSC 201 Programming Language Principles (fully classified graduate standing in CSC)
2. CSC 204* Data Models for Data Management Systems (fully classified graduate standing in CSC)
3. CSC 205* Computer Systems Structure (CSC 137, CSC 139)
4. CSC 206 Algorithms & Paradigms (fully classified graduate standing or permission of instructor)
5. CSC 209 Graduate Seminar (fully classified graduate standing, WPE, completion of at least 12 units of 200-level CSC courses)

* Students whose undergraduate preparation has covered a significant amount of the material in CSC 204 or CSC 205 may be given a waiver by the department from taking one or more of these courses. In this case, for each course waived with department approval, the student must take three additional units of Restricted Electives, Section C below.

B. **Breadth Requirement (9 units)**
Select one course from three of the following areas:

- **Software Engineering**
  - CSC 230 Software System Engineering (fully classified graduate standing, CSC 131 or equivalent experience)

- **System Software**
  - CSC 239 Advanced Operating System Principles and Design (CSC 205)
  - CSC 246 Principles of Concurrent Programming (MATH 101, CSC 139; or fully classified graduate standing)
  - CSC 250 Computer Security and Privacy (graduate or professional status in CSC)
  - CSC 251 Principles of Compiler Design (CSC 151 or CSC 201)

- **Intelligent Systems**
  - CSC 215 Artificial Intelligence (graduate standing)

- **Database Management Systems**
  - CSC 244 Data Base Design (CSC 174 or CSC 204)

- **Networks and Communications**
  - CSC 255 Computer Networks (CSC 138 or CPE 138)
  - CSC 258 Distributed Systems (CSC 138 or CPE 138; fully classified graduate standing)
  - CSC 275 Advanced Data Communication Systems (CSC 138, CSC 205 or CPE 138)

- **Computer Architecture/Computer Engineering**
  - CSC 237 Microprocessor Systems Architecture (CSC 205)
  - CSC 242 Computer-Aided Design Methodology for Computer Systems (CSC 205)
  - CSC 273 Hierarchical Digital Design Methodology (CPE 064 or equivalent)
  - CSC 280 Advanced Computer Architecture (CSC 205)

C. **Restricted Electives (3-6 units)**
Prior to taking an elective course, students must obtain approval from their advisor, and either the graduate coordinator or the Department Chair.

Students should choose their electives according to the following guidelines:

1. One of the following upper division courses: CSC 142, CSC 148, CSC 155, CSC 159, CSC 176, as long as they have not been used towards another degree. (A maximum of 6 undergraduate units may be used in any graduate program.)
2. Any 200-level CSC courses not already used to satisfy the Breadth Requirements, with the exception of CSC 295 and CSC 299. Students not required to take CSC 204 or CSC 205 must, for each course waived, take an additional three units in this category.
3. Related 200-level courses from outside the Computer Science Department may only be taken with prior department approval and may not have been used in another program.

D. **Culminating Requirement (2-5 units)**

- (2-5) CSC 500 Master’s Thesis OR
- CSC 502 Master’s Project
A. Required Courses

Computer Science Core (12 units)

(3) CSC 201 Programming Language Principles (fully classified graduate standing in CSC)
(3) CSC 204* Data Models for Data Management Systems (fully classified graduate standing in CSC)
(3) CSC 205* Computer Systems Structure (CSC 137, CSC 139)
(3) CSC 206 Algorithms and Paradigms (fully classified graduate standing or permission of instructor)

* Students whose undergraduate preparation has covered a significant amount of the material in CSC 204 or CSC 205 may be given a waiver by the Department from taking one or more of these courses. In this case, for each course waived with Department approval, the student must take three additional units of Restricted Electives, Section C below.

Software Engineering Core (10 units)

(3) CSC 230 Software System Engineering (fully classified graduate standing)
(3) CSC 232 Software Requirements Analysis and Design (CSC 230)
(3) CSC 233 Advanced Software Engineering Project Management (CSC 230)
(1) CSC 299 Graduate Seminar (fully classified graduate standing, Writing Proficiency Exam, completion of at least 9 units of 200-level courses in CSC)

B. Software Engineering Electives (3 units)

(3) Select one from the following:
- CSC 231 Software Engineering Metrics (CSC 230 or equivalent experience)
- CSC 234 Software Verification and Validation (CSC 131, CSC 230; or equivalent industrial experience)
- CSC 236 Formal Methods in Software Engineering

C. Restricted Electives (0-3 units)

Prior to taking an elective course, students must obtain approval from their advisor, and either the graduate coordinator or the department chair. Students should choose their electives to complement the other courses taken in their Area Requirements according to the following guidelines:

1. One of the following upper division courses: CSC 142, CSC 148, CSC 155, CSC 159, CSC 176, as long as they have not been used towards a bachelor’s degree.
2. Any 200-level CSC courses not already used to satisfy the Area Requirements, with the exception of CSC 295 and CSC 299. Students not required to take CSC 204 or CSC 205 must, for each course waived, take an additional three units in this category.
3. Related 200-level courses from outside the Computer Science Department may only be taken with prior department approval and may not have been used in another program.

D. Culminating Requirement (2-5 units)

(2-5) CSC 500 Master’s Thesis OR
CSC 502 Master’s Project

It is expected that students will make a presentation of their project or thesis.

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

The Certificates in Computer Science program are designed to recognize students who have completed the core graduate courses — CSC 201, CSC 204, CSC 205 and CSC 206 — plus additional advanced coursework in a specialty area. These Certificates are available only for MS Computer Science matriculated students.

Note: A grade point average of 3.0 must be attained for all courses taken in the program.

Certificate in Intelligent Systems (9 units)

(3) CSC 215 Artificial Intelligence (graduate standing)
(6) Select at least two of the following:
- CSC 214 Knowledge-Based Systems (graduate standing in Computer Science or Engineering)
- CSC 217 Logic Programming (MATH 101, CSC 201)
- CSC 219 Machine Learning (graduate standing)
- CSC 288B Special Topics in Intelligent Systems

Certificate in Computer Architecture (15 units)

(3) CSC 142 Advanced Computer Organization (CSC 137)
(3) CSC 280 Advanced Computer Architecture (CSC 205)
(3) Select one of the following:
- CSC 237 Microprocessor Systems Architecture (CSC 205)
- CSC 242 Computer-Aided Design Methodology for Computer Systems (CSC 205)
- CSC 273 Hierarchical Digital Design Methodology (CPE 064 or equivalent)
Certificate in Computer Networks and Communications (9 units)

(3) CSC 239 Advanced Operating System Principles and Design (CSC 205) OR
(3) CSC 251 Principles of Compiler Design (CSC 151 or CSC 201)
(3) EEE 285 Micro-Computer System Design I (CPE 185 or EEE 174) OR
(3) EEE 286 Micro-Computer System Design II (CPE 186 or EEE 285)

Certificate in Computer Engineering (12 units)

(3) CSC 142 Advanced Computer Organization (CSC 137)
(3) Select one of the following:
  CSC 237 Microprocessor Systems Architecture (CSC 205)
  CSC 275 Advanced Data Communication Systems (CSC 138, CSC 205, or CPE 138)
  CSC 280 Advanced Computer Architecture (CSC 205)
  CSC 288A Special Topics in Architecture/Computer Engineering
(3) CSC 242 Computer-Aided Design Methodology for Computer Systems (CSC 205) OR
(3) CSC 273 Hierarchical Digital Design Methodology (CPE 064 or equivalent)
(3) EEE 285 Micro-Computer System Design I (CPE 185 or EEE 174) OR
(3) EEE 286 Micro-Computer System Design II (CPE 186 or EEE 285)

Certificate in Computer Networks and Communications (9 units)

(9) Select at least three of the following:
  CSC 255 Computer Networks (CSC 138 or CPE 138)
  CSC 258 Distributed Systems (CSC 138 or CPE 138; fully classified graduate standing)
  CSC 275 Advanced Data Communication Systems (CSC 138, CSC 205, or CPE 138)
  CSC 288F Special Topics in Networks and Communications

Certificate in Software Engineering (9 units)

(3) CSC 230 Software System Engineering (fully classified graduate standing, CSC 131 or equivalent)
(6) Select at least two of the following:
  CSC 231 Software Engineering Metrics (CSC 230 or equivalent)
  CSC 232 Software Requirements Engineering (CSC 230 or equivalent)
  CSC 233 Advanced Software Engineering Project Management (CSC 131, CSC 230 or equivalent industrial experience)
  CSC 234 Software Verification and Validation (CSC 131, CSC 230, or equivalent industrial experience)
  CSC 288D Special Topics in Software Engineering

Certificate in Systems Software (9 units)

(9) Select at least three of the following:
  CSC 239 Advanced Operating System Principles and Design (CSC 205)
  CSC 244 Data Base Design (CSC 174 or CSC 204)
  CSC 246 Principles of Concurrent Programming (MATH 101, CSC 139; or fully classified graduate standing)
  CSC 251 Principles of Compiler Design (CSC 151 or CSC 201)
  CSC 258 Distributed Systems (CSC 138 or CPE 138; fully classified graduate standing)

One of the above may be replaced by one of the following:
  CSC 245 Performance Modeling and Evaluation (graduate standing)
  CSC 250 Computer Security and Privacy (graduate or professional status in CSC)
  CSC 288C Special Topics in Systems Software

Certificate in Data Management Systems (9 units)

(9) Select at least three of the following:
  CSC 244 Data Base Design (CSC 174 or CSC 204)
  CSC 250 Computer Security and Privacy (graduate or professional status in CSC)
  CSC 258 Distributed Systems (CSC 138 or CPE 138 and fully classified graduate standing)
  CSC 288E Special Topics in Database Management Systems

LOWER DIVISION COURSES

CSC 001. Introduction to Computer Science. Fundamental concepts of computers, computation and programming; history and principles of computing; problem solving; input, output, data representation, storage, and file organization; computer hardware, networking and data communication; social, economic and ethical implications; computer security and privacy. Students will solve problems using the BASIC programming language. Lecture, two hours; technical activity and laboratory, two hours. Prerequisite: Intermediate algebra. 3 units.

CSC 001A. Introduction to Computer Science for Advanced Students. Same material as covered in CSC 001 but intended for students who already have significant knowledge of the fundamental concepts of computers and/or computer programming. Student must attend the orientation session during the first class meeting. Two placement tests, one on programming and one on concepts will be scheduled and used to determine student's prior preparation. May be taken by those wishing to obtain credit by examination. Please refer to examination credit guidelines in the University catalog. Note: Not open to students who have received credit for CSC 001 or MIS 005. Graded Credit/No Credit. 3 units.

CSC 004A. Introduction to the PC Environment. Introduction to computer hardware and software. Based on the Intel chipset (286, 386, 489, Pentium machines). Topics include: components of computer hardware including boards found inside a typical computer, basic DOS command, application software, simple software installation, program management, file/directory organization, and buying your own computer. Does not require any prior knowledge of computers. 1 unit.
CSC 004B. Introduction to Windows. Introduction to Microsoft Windows. Topics include: using the Program Manager, running Windows and DOS programs, organizing the desktop, customizing Windows and installing Windows software. Prerequisite: CSC 004A. 1 unit.

CSC 004C. Configuring your PC. Provides the student with enough understanding of the hardware and software PC system operating in a Windows environment to be able to upgrade their computer, ask the right questions from vendors, understand the possible sources of hardware and software conflicts, install new hardware and do advanced installation of new software. Prerequisite: CSC 004B. 1 unit.

CSC 005. Personal Computing. An introduction to the role and use of personal (micro) computers. Explanation and hands-on experience with the personal computer, emphasizing the use and relevancy of common software for word processing, filling, spreadsheet analysis, graphics, and communications. Examination of the personal computing milieu and the applications environment. Lecture two hours, technical activity and laboratory, two hours. 3 units.

CSC 006A. Microcomputer Applications — Word Processing. A microcomputer-based introductory level course in word processing on microcomputers. 1 unit.

CSC 006B. Microcomputer Applications — Spreadsheets. A microcomputer-based introductory level course in spreadsheet concepts and applications. Note: Not open to students receiving credit for MIS 001B. 1 unit.

CSC 006C. Microcomputer Applications — Data Base Management. A microcomputer-based introductory level course in data base management concepts and applications. 1 unit.

CSC 008. Exploring the Internet. A user’s view of local, state, national and international computer networks. Software tools to access and retrieve information from around the world. Lecture one hour, technical activity and laboratory, two hours. 2 units.

CSC 008S. Self-Paced Exploring the Internet. Covers the same material as CSC 008, Exploring the Internet. Lectures are, however, provided by electronic means, in addition to meetings for orientation, laboratory demonstrations, and tests. Provides a user’s view of local, state, national, and international computer networks. Software tools to access and retrieve information from around the world include World Wide Web software tools, and much more. Included also are basic elements of communication protocols, trends and future of the information superhighway, and an overview of how the CSUS computer network fits in the larger picture. Graded Credit/No Credit. 2 units.

CSC 010. Introduction to Programming. An introduction to computer science with an emphasis on programming concepts and methodology. Intended to prepare students with little or no programming experience for CSC 015. Computer hardware and software, data representation, data storage, programming concepts and methodology including program solving and algorithm development, sequential programming, flow of control, modular and/or object based programming. Lecture two hours; technical activity and laboratory two hours. Prerequisite: Passing grade on the ELM. 3 units.

CSC 015. Programming Concepts and Methodology I. Programming concepts using a high-level, block structured language. Introduction to methodologies for program design, development, testing, and documentation. Topics include algorithm and program design, control structures, arrays, functions, procedures, text files, and records. Lecture two hours, technical activity and laboratory, two hours. Prerequisite: CSC 010, or programming experience. 3 units.

CSC 015W. Programming Methodology I Workshop. Designed to assist students in developing a more thorough understanding of programming methodology and problem solving techniques. Activity two hours. Corequisite: CSC 015. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1 unit.

CSC 020. Programming Concepts and Methodology II. Case study approach applying techniques for systematic problem analysis, and program specification, design, coding, testing, debugging, and documentation of large programs. Advanced language features: strings, sets, text and non-text files, pointers. Abstract data types: simple lists, stacks, queues. Recursion. Selected sorting and searching algorithms and their analysis. Lecture two hours, technical activity and laboratory two hours. Prerequisite: CSC 015. 3 units.

CSC 020W. Programming Methodology II Workshop. Designed to assist students in developing a more thorough understanding of programming methodology, data structures, and problem solving techniques. Activity two hours. Corequisite: CSC 020. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1 unit.

CSC 022. Visual Programming in BASIC. Beginning and advanced features of Visual BASIC language available on personal computers. Topics include: visual user interfaces, program loops, arrays, tables, user and system functions, subroutines, strings, files. Applications in areas such as business, graphics, music, and games. Lecture one hour, technical activity and laboratory two hours. 2 units.

CSC 025. Introduction to C Programming. An introduction to C programming. Topics include: types, operators, control structures, input/output, arithmetic operations, the C library and preprocessor, functions and parameters, arrays, strings, pointers, and structures. Program design and style will be emphasized. Students will use a microcomputer C compiler. Students with significant programming experience should take CSC 060 rather than CSC 025. Lecture two hours, technical activity and laboratory two hours. 3 units.

CSC 028. Discrete Structures for Computer Science. An introduction to the essential discrete structures used in Computer Science, with emphasis on their applications. Topics to be covered include: elementary formal logic and set theory, elementary combinatorics, recursive programming and algorithm analysis, digital logic and switching & combinatorial circuits, and computer arithmetic. Prerequisite: MATH 029. Corequisite: CSC 020. 3 units.

CSC 035. Assembly Language Programming. Fundamentals of assembly language programming. Topics include: internal representation of numeric and non-numeric data, assembly level machine architecture, addressing modes, register management, polled input/output, interrupts, macros and pseudo operations. Lecture two hours, technical activity and laboratory two hours. Prerequisite: CSC 015. 3 units.

CSC 060. Introduction to Systems Programming. An introduction to systems programming concepts using the C language. Covers features of the C language commonly used in systems programming, and the application of those features to systems programming in a UNIX environment. Topics include C preprocessor macros, I/O and bit-manipulation facilities; basic timesharing system concepts; file permissions; shells and shell script programming; make files and source code control systems; basic system calls including fork and exec; and relocation and linking concepts including assembler handling of symbol tables. Prior knowledge of C++ is presumed. Prerequisite: CSC 020. 3 units.
CSC 080. Information Exchange on the Web. Covers the basic elements needed to communicate on the World Wide Web. The primary emphasis will be use of the HTML language to create home pages. Other topics include Internet protocols, use of different browsers, setting up a Web server, and new Web software tools. Prerequisite: CSC 008. 3 units.

CSC 085. Programming In Java. Concepts, fundamentals and principles of objects-oriented programming in the Java language. Includes design and code implementation using Java both as a general purpose programming language and also as a language specifically suited to automating the World Wide Web Pages. Students will create stand-alone Java applications and Java applets that are embedded in the Web page. Prerequisite: CSC 060. 3 units.

CSC 095. Fieldwork in Computer Science for Non-Majors. Directed observations and work experience in computer science with firms in industry or public agencies. Supervision is provided by the instructional staff and the cooperating agencies. Note: Faculty approval required. May be repeated for credit. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1-4 units.

CSC 096. Experimental Offerings in Computer Science. When a sufficient number of qualified students apply, one of the staff will conduct a seminar in some topic of computer science. May be repeated for credit. 1-4 units.

CSC 098. Co-Curricular Activities in Computer Science for Non-Majors. Tutoring of high-school students taking computer science courses or other activities related to the subject matter and concerns of the department. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1-3 units.

CSC 099. Special Problems for Non-Majors. Individual projects or directed reading in specified topics in computer science. Note: Open only to students who appear competent to carry on individual work; approval of faculty supervisor and advisor required. May be repeated for credit. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1-3 units.

CSC 120. Setting up and Maintaining a Web Server. Setup and maintenance procedures for a Web Server. Topics include: communication on the web, HTTP protocol, choosing server software, basic installation, configuring the server, CGI scripts, managing the server, web security, working with JAVA, using server scripts and procedures for doing business on the web. Lecture two hours; technical activity and lab two hours. Prerequisite: CSC 080 or instructor approval. 3 units.

CSC 121. Using Scripts on the Web. Provides the student experience in developing interactive Web pages. Scripting tools are most useful to both Internet and Intranet developers. They provide the quickest, easiest way to create windows and documents with dynamic features and to develop forms with user interface elements to capture user input and management of information on the Web. Students will work with Navigator, MIME Types, plug-in objects, Web security and cookies. Lecture 3 hours. Prerequisite: CSC 080 or instructor approval. 3 units.

CSC 122. Web Database Systems. Introduces students to database management systems, their structure and usage, with lecture and lab components. Particular emphasis on database access via Web interfaces. Topics will include connectivity between Web pages and databases. Covers an introduction to SQL, the standard relational DBMS query language, as well as selected topics on Web search engines. Prerequisite: CSC 120. 3 units.

CSC 123. Server Side Web Programming. An introduction to developing dynamic web pages using Active Server pages. Tools such as Visual Interdev will be used to develop scalable, client/server, database-driven applications that are browser-neutral. Format consists of two 1.5 hour lecture/lab sessions per week. Prerequisite: CSC 022 or equivalent experience with Visual Basic or Visual Basic for Applications (VBA); CSC 080 or equivalent HTML skills, CSC 120 (Managing and Developing Web Sites Using Microsoft Technologies) recommended. 3 units.


CSC 131. Computer Software Engineering. Principles of software engineering covering the system project life cycle, software requirements analysis and design, planning and managing a project; also test design and testing, and project reporting. Topics include software development methods, data flow and tree diagramming, prototyping, top-down and bottom-up implementation and testing. Also included are program management plans, cost and schedule estimating, and user’s manuals. Prerequisite: CSC 130; may be taken concurrently. 3 units.

CSC 132. Computing Theory. Introduction to computing theory with examples and applications. Automata and formal languages; language recognition and generation; language hierarchy; finite state machines; deterministic and non-deterministic automata; regular grammars and expressions; pushdown automata and context-free grammars; turing machines; computable and noncomputable functions; undecidable problems. Prerequisite: CSC 028, CSC 130; CSC 130 may be taken concurrently. 3 units.

CSC 133. Object-Oriented Computer Graphics Programming. An introduction to computer graphics and to advanced topics in object-oriented (OO) programming. The OO paradigm is used throughout, utilizing computer graphics as the vehicle for solidifying basic OO concepts, studying the implementation of event-driven systems, and for developing a thorough understanding of advanced OO concepts such as inheritance and polymorphism. Topics include fundamental concepts of object-oriented programming, software design patterns, graphic devices, line and surface drawing, simple 2D and 3D representation, and use of User Interface components. Prerequisite: CSC 060, CSC 130. 3 units.

CSC 134. File Organization for Data Management. Introduction to database systems: concepts, design, implementation, file system support. Survey of current mass storage systems and discussion of trends. Extensive study of file organizations: sequential, indexed, direct and hybrids; access methods in data management environments. Discussion of distributed file systems. Prerequisite: CSC 130. 3 units.

CSC 136. Programming Languages. Characteristics of programming languages. Compiled vs. interpreted languages; subprograms, recursion, parameter passing, scope of variables, binding time; structured programming and general control structures; run-time storage management; formal descriptions of languages; list processing, string manipulation, and data description languages; survey of advanced languages, including a detailed study of one or more; trends in programming languages. Prerequisite: CSC 132. 3 units.

CSC 137. Computer Organization. An introduction to digital logic, computer organization and computer architecture. Topics include: combinational and sequential circuits, memory, bus structures, input/output and interrupt structures, CPU organization, control unit design and organization, and an introduction to modern architectural features. Lecture three hours, laboratory three hours. Prerequisite: CSC 028, CSC 035, CSC 130. 4 units.
CSC 138. Computer Networks and Internets. An overview of the fundamentals of computer networks and connections between networks, from the physical layer up through peer-to-peer communications at the application level. Lower layer characteristics including serial vs. parallel, capacity issues, high-speed connections, LAN framing and error handling, LAN vs. WAN characteristics, network architecture and the ISO network model. Internetworking components including LANs, repeaters, routers, bridges, and gateways. Internet addresses, TCP/IP, and the Domain Name System. Common Internet client/server application protocols including SMTP and FTP. Client/Server programming involving sockets. World Wide Web characteristics including CGI and HTTP protocol, Web pages, Web browsers, Web servers, and Applets. Introduction to advanced Web issues such as Web security, Search engine operations, and Web database operations. **Prerequisite:** CSC 035, CSC 060, CSC 130. Cross-listed as CPE 138; only one may be counted for credit. 3 units.

CSC 139. Operating System Principles. Contemporary operating system organization and structure. Topics include: process representation, concurrency, scheduling, interprocess communication and synchronization, deadlock, real and virtual memory management, device management, file systems, network and distributed operating systems, and protection. **Prerequisite:** CSC 060, CSC 137; or equivalents. 3 units.

CSC 142. Advanced Computer Organization. Design and performance issues of computers: CPU, I/O interface, and memory. Design alternatives for arithmetic functions, CPU internal architecture, instruction set, instruction cycle, I/O, interrupt, direct memory access, and bus and memory hierarchy. CAD tools for schematic capture and simulations. Students will design and simulate a microcomputer. **Prerequisite:** CSC 137 or equivalent. Cross-listed as CPE 142; only one may be counted for credit. 3 units.

CSC 145. Advanced Systems Programming. A study of the elements of system software. Assemblers, both two-pass and one-and-a-half pass, including the processing of macros. Relocatable code and loaders. Linkage editors. The difference between interpreters and compilers. Simulation of one computer by another. The student will be required to write one or more large systems programs. **Prerequisite:** CSC 035, CSC 060, CSC 130; CSC 060 and CSC 130 may be taken concurrently. 3 units.

CSC 148. Modeling and Experimental Design. Modeling and simulation techniques in system representation. Problem analysis, model formulation, data collection and analysis, experimental design, testing, verification and validation, and simulation experiments. Monte Carlo methods. Queuing theory. Term projects. **Prerequisite:** MATH 031, STAT 050, and proficiency in at least one programming language. 3 units.

CSC 151. Compiler Construction. A practical approach to compiler design and implementation. Organization of a compiler, algorithms for lexical and syntactic analysis, recursive descent, and/or LALR parsing, organization of symbol tables, error detection and recovery, object code generation. Structured design will be emphasized. **Prerequisite:** CSC 136, CSC 145. 3 units.

CSC 154. Computer Graphics Systems Design. Introduction to computer graphics system and applications software design and implementation. Topics include: graphics output devices, graphics libraries, and three dimensional transformation, scan conversion algorithms, windowing and clipping, interactive input methods, modeling methods and an introduction to curve representation. **Prerequisite:** CSC 130; may be taken concurrently. 3 units.

CSC 155. Intermediate Computer Graphics. Investigation of the principles and techniques underlying computer graphics systems, and of more advanced topics in three-dimensional graphics. Topics include modeling systems, data structures and graphics command software; graphics languages; transformations, clipping, and windowing; three dimensional projections; hidden-line/surface problems; advanced techniques for realism such as shading, shadows, highlights, and texture. **Prerequisite:** CSC 154 or instructor permission. 3 units.

CSC 159. Operating System Pragmatics. The application of operating system principles to the design and implementation of a multitasking operating system. Students will write an operating system for a computer system. Topics include: scheduling of processes, control and allocation of computer resources, and user interfacing. **Prerequisite:** CSC 139. Cross-listed as CPE 159; only one may be counted for credit. 3 units.

CSC 162. Ada Environment. Fundamentals of Ada programming language; object-oriented design, data abstraction and modularity, packages, generic program units, overloading, tasking and the rendezvous, exception handling, and Ada programming support environment. **Prerequisite:** CSC 130. 3 units.

CSC 170. Software Requirements and Specification. Analysis and specification of functional and non-functional requirements for real-time and non-real-time software systems in the context of a software development lifecycle. Determining customer and user software requirements and ensuring that specifications are correct, complete, and testable. Includes modeling techniques, methods for representing real-time requirements, and the use of Computer-Aided Software Engineering (CASE) tools to illustrate analysis concepts. **Prerequisite:** CSC 131. 3 units.

CSC 171. Software Engineering Project Management. Fundamental issues in the management and economics of a software engineering project in the context of the software development lifecycle. Topics include: techniques for project planning (budgeting and scheduling), controlling (including quality assurance and configuration management), organizing, staffing, and directing a software project (leadership and motivation); and contemporary issues in management. **Prerequisite:** CSC 131. 3 units.

CSC 174. Data Base Management Systems. Design of applications using data base technology; elements of commercial data base management systems: concepts of database, storage structure, data modeling with emphasis on the Entity-Relationship Model; concepts of data normalization; relational, network, and hierarchical models; query facilities; database administration; introduction to transaction processing, and backup and recovery. **Prerequisite:** CSC 131, CSC 134. 3 units.

CSC 176. Advanced Data Base Management Systems. Advanced topics in data base analysis and design, and applications: query processing and optimization, concurrency control mechanisms, transaction performance and recovery algorithms, integrity constraints, catalog systems, security mechanisms, functional dependencies and design algorithms. Application generator technologies. Programming experience using database facilities. Database administration; system utilities, selection and acquisition of database software. Topics in distributed database systems. **Prerequisite:** CSC 174. 3 units.

CSC 179. Software Testing and Quality Assurance. Testing, verification, validation, and control of real-time and non-real-time software systems in the context of a software development lifecycle. Topics include: unit, integration and system testing; verification and validation (V), quality assurance, metrics, and configuration management. **Prerequisite:** CSC 131. 3 units.
CSC 190. Senior Project: Part I. A group project for the design, development and delivery of a computer product. The product may be a software product or a product containing both hardware and software components. The product’s customer must be a representative from industry, government, or some other approved area. Emphasizes the software development process and documentation using a software engineering lifecycle approach. Oral and written reports are required. In Part I (CSC 190), student teams define the project requirements and plan the complete project. In Part II (CSC 191), the teams design, implement, test, and deliver the product. Lecture one hour, laboratory three hours. Prerequisite: CSC 131, senior standing in CSC , passing score on the WPE. 2 units.

CSC 191. Senior Project: Part II. Continuation of the individual or group project begun in CSC 190. In Part II, the student teams complete the project, including design, implementation, testing, and delivery. End of project reports are required. Lecture one hour, laboratory three hours. Prerequisite: CSC 190. 2 units.

CSC 192. Career Planning. Designed to help students learn more about the labor market and opportunities in the Computer Science field. Students will examine their interests and consider their goals, and learn how to conduct an effective proactive job search. Strategies for long term career growth will be identified. Prerequisite: CSC 190; may be taken concurrently. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1 unit.

CSC 194. Computer Science Seminar. A series of weekly seminars on Computer Science topics. These topics would cover subjects not normally taught in the course of a school year and they range from the very theoretical in Computer Science through applications to presentations by industry on working conditions, real world environment and job opportunities. May be repeated for credit. Prerequisite: Upper division or graduate standing in CSC . 1 unit.

CSC 195. Fieldwork in Computer Science. Directed observations and work experience in computer science with firms in the industry or public agencies. Supervision is provided by the instructional staff and the cooperating agencies. Note: Faculty approval required. May be repeated for credit. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1-4 units.

CSC 195A. Professional Practice. Supervised employment in a professional engineering or computer science environment. Placement arranged through the College of Engineering and Computer Science. Requires satisfactory completion of the work assignment and a written report. Prerequisite: Instructor permission. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1-12 units.

CSC 195B. Professional Practice. Supervised employment in a professional engineering or computer science environment. Placement arranged through the College of Engineering and Computer Science. Requires satisfactory completion of the work assignment and a written report. Prerequisite: Instructor permission. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1-12 units.

CSC 195C. Professional Practice. Supervised employment in a professional engineering or computer science environment. Placement arranged through the College of Engineering and Computer Science. Requires satisfactory completion of the work assignment and a written report. Prerequisite: Instructor permission. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1-12 units.

CSC 195D. Professional Practice. Supervised employment in a professional engineering or computer science environment. Placement arranged through the College of Engineering and Computer Science. Requires satisfactory completion of the work assignment and a written report. Prerequisite: Instructor permission. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1-12 units.

CSC 196. Experimental Offerings in Computer Science. When a sufficient number of qualified students apply, one of the staff will conduct a seminar in some topic of computer science. May be repeated for credit. 1-4 units.

CSC 198. Co-curricular Activities in Computer Science. Tutoring of students taking computer science courses through the Computer Science Department Tutoring Center; peer advising of less advanced students in the major; or other activities related to the subject matter and concerns of the department. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1-3 units.

CSC 199. Special Problems. Individual projects or directed reading in specified topics in computer science. Note: Open only to students who appear competent to carry on individual work; approval of faculty supervisor and advisor required. May be repeated for credit. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1-3 units.

GRADUATE COURSES

CSC 201. Programming Language Principles. Notations for the specification of programming language syntax and semantics; attribute, translational, operational, axiomatic, algebraic, denotational, and action semantics. Applications of programming language syntax and programming language semantics. Use of meta languages to generate executable language definitions for language implementation, program transformation, program property analysis, and rapid software prototyping. Principles of logic, functional, and object-oriented programming languages. Note: Not intended for students who have taken CSC 132. Prerequisite: Fully classified graduate standing in Computer Science or Software Engineering. 3 units.

CSC 204. Data Models for Data Base Management Systems. A study of file systems; file design techniques such as normalization; file utilities; file organizations (heap, sequential, indexed, direct, multi-ring); data models (entity relationship, various database management system [DBMS] models); relational algebra and the SQL relational query language; overview of transaction processing; introduction to network DBMS and IMS. Note: Not intended for students who have completed CSC 134 and CSC 174. Prerequisite: Fully classified graduate standing in Computer Science. 3 units.

CSC 205. Computer Systems Structure. Overview of computer systems structure, covering hierarchical structure from software and hardware points of view. Concepts of relocation, linking, and loading; hardware-software interfaces from both application program and operating system points of view. Various CPU structures, including RISC and CISC machines, survey of tightly and loosely-coupled architecture, introduction to pipelined, distributed, and parallel systems, computer system communication principles including local and wide-area networks concepts, and various CAD tools and methodologies are introduced. Prerequisite: CSC 137, CSC 139. 3 units.

CSC 206. Algorithms and Paradigms. Design and analysis of computer algorithms and examples of their use in a wide variety of problem domains. Contemporary paradigms of computing, including parallel and heuristic approaches. Theoretical limits of the algorithmic method. Prerequisite: Fully classified graduate standing in Computer Science or instructor permission. 3 units.

CSC 209. Graduate Seminar. Presentations on various topics in the computing sciences; requirements and resources for completion of the master’s project/thesis; presentation of papers/literature surveys by students. Prerequisite: Fully classified graduate standing. Writing Proficiency Exam, completion of at least 12 units of 200-level courses in Computer Science. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1 unit.
CSC 214. Knowledge-Based Systems. Historical perspective of knowledge-based systems and their relationship to artificial intelligence. Concepts of knowledge representation and automated reasoning. Survey of expert systems in a variety of applications in engineering and other fields. Implementation of expert systems and expert system shells. **Prerequisite:** Graduate standing in Computer Science or Engineering. 3 units.


CSC 216. Pattern Recognition. Symbolic and mathematical representation of patterns and structures. Sensing, preprocessing, feature extraction, and classification using both syntactic and mathematical methods. Comparison and integration of structural and mathematical approaches to recognition. Relationship to artificial intelligence; neural networks for recognition. Selected applications. **Prerequisite:** CSC 201. 3 units.

CSC 217. Logic Programming. Introduction to the representation and problem-solving techniques of logic programming. Topics covered include: first order predicate logic, unification algorithm, resolution principle, resolution refutation, Horn clauses and Horn clause logic programs, interpretations and control strategies of Horn clause programs, semantics and parallel execution of logic programs, applications, existing research problems and future directions of logic programming. **Prerequisite:** MATH 101 and CSC 201 or instructor permission. 3 units.

CSC 219. Machine Learning. Introduction to major paradigms and methods of machine learning. Inductive learning, explanation-based learning, classifier systems and genetic algorithms, analogical reasoning, case-based learning, connectionist learning, data driven approaches to empirical discovery, and basis of learning theory. Focus is on representative systems that have been built. **Prerequisite:** Graduate standing. 3 units.

CSC 230. Software System Engineering. The integration of managerial and technical activities in system engineering that control the cost, schedule, and technical achievement of the developing software system. Application of the principles, activities, tasks and procedures of system engineering and software engineering to the development of a software system. **Note:** Not offered every semester. **Prerequisite:** CSC 131 or equivalent experience in software development. 3 units.

CSC 231. Software Engineering Metrics. Software Quality and quantity metrics, in software engineering. Measurement theory and metrics. Metrics include management metrics, indirect and direct metrics and predictive metrics. Uses of metrics include software cost and schedule estimates, model calibration, and software productivity measurements. Metrics techniques include the Goal-Question-Metric approach, COCOMO, and function point analysis. **Prerequisite:** Two years of industrial experience in software development or CSC 230. 3 units.

CSC 232. Software Requirements Analysis and Design. Software engineering requirements: including elicitation, analysis, specification, verification and management. Emphasizes IEEE software engineering requirements and standards and the concept of operations (ConOps) document. Techniques include structured analysis, use cases and object-oriented analysis. **Note:** Not offered every semester. **Prerequisite:** Two years of industrial experience in software development or CSC 230. 3 units.

CSC 233. Advanced Software Engineering Project Management. Advanced methods and procedures for managing a software development project. Includes project planning, scheduling, and cost estimation, project organizational types, staffing and training considerations, leading and motivating computer personnel, and methods for measuring and controlling a project. Emphasizes IEEE software engineering management standards and keys to project success. **Note:** Not offered every semester. **Prerequisite:** Two years of industrial experience in software development or CSC 230. 3 units.

CSC 234. Software Verification and Validation. Verification and validation (V & V) techniques to identify and resolve software problems and high-risk issues early in the software lifecycle. Application of V & V to all phases of the lifecycle process. Includes planning and reporting on the V & V effort. Topics also include software quality assurance and software testing. **Prerequisite:** Two years of industrial experience in software development or CSC 230. 3 units.

CSC 236. Formal Methods in Software Engineering. A software engineering course to introduce basic concepts of formal methods in software engineering. Students will learn why and how formal methods should be used in the software development process for delivering a quality product. The following will be discussed: formal-methods-based software life-cycle models; languages for software system specification; modeling and abstraction of software systems; analysis and verification of system properties; software system refinement; formal semantics, program verification; object-orientation of formal methods; systems and tools for the application of formal method, advances of formal methods in software engineering. **Prerequisite:** Either CSC 131 or equivalent experience, and either CSC 201 or CSC 132. 3 units.

CSC 237. Microprocessor Systems Architecture. Microprocessors/microcomputer architecture and hardware/software interfacing design. RISC vs. CISC architecture in depth, case studies of several popular commercial advanced 32-bit microprocessors. Microcomputer firmware architecture is discussed and illustrated with detail examples. Term project in which students specify, design and build the hardware and firmware of a computer system. **Prerequisite:** CSC 205. 3 units.

CSC 239. Advanced Operating Systems Principles and Design. Advanced concepts of concurrent processes, concurrent programming and operating systems. Virtual memory management systems, deadlock, file systems, operating system performance measurement and evaluation. **Prerequisite:** CSC 205. 3 units.

CSC 242. Computer-Aided Design Methodology for Computer Systems. Computer-aided design methodology; CAD tools for computer design; alternatives for IC Chip design; the use of tools for schematic capture, circuit routing, PC board layout, CMOS VLSI design; principles of operation of CMOS VLSI circuits; VLSI design project. **Prerequisite:** CSC 205. 3 units.

CSC 244. Data Base Design. Discusses the various components of general data base systems. Implementation methods of the major data models — hierarchical, network and relational — of data base systems will be discussed. Other topics include query language design, methods to gain reliability, protection schemes, integrity, methods of coding data, performance considerations and other special topics. Some actual data base systems will be used for illustrative purposes. **Prerequisite:** CSC 174 or CSC 204. 3 units.
CSC 245. Performance Modeling and Evaluation. Performance and cost measures; software and hardware performance monitors; data reduction and evaluation; analytic and simulation models of hardware and program behavior; performance-cost trade-offs and resource allocation. \textbf{Prerequisite:} Fully classified graduate standing. 3 units.

CSC 246. Principles of Concurrent Programming. Fundamental concepts of sequential program verification; fundamental concepts and applications of concurrent program; issues of liveness, fairness, and safety; concurrent program verification and derivation; language constructs for parallel computation; distributed programming techniques. \textbf{Prerequisite:} MATH 101, CSC 139; or fully classified graduate standing. 3 units.

CSC 250. Computer Security and Privacy. Information processing controls; errors and fraud; software and hardware protection; emphasis on cryptographic techniques; disaster and catastrophe prevention. \textbf{Prerequisite:} Fully classified graduate standing. 3 units.


CSC 255. Computer Networks. Computer networking fundamentals with emphasis on higher level protocols and functions. Network design considerations, software design and layering concepts, interface design, routing and congestion control algorithms, internetworking, transport protocol design, and end-to-end communication, session and application protocols. Specific examples of commercial and international standards. \textbf{Prerequisite:} CSC 138, CPE 138, or instructor permission. 3 units.

CSC 258. Distributed Systems. Coordination of decentralized autonomous computer systems connected by a communication subnet to achieve a common goal. Topics include architectures, message-passing, remote procedure calls, deadlock detection, concurrency control, replication and error recovery, synchronization, resource management, distributed database systems, languages, distributed algorithms, software fault tolerance and security issues, teaching strategy. \textbf{Prerequisite:} CSC 138, CPE 138, or instructor permission. 3 units.

CSC 273. Hierarchical Digital Design Methodology. Advanced logic modeling, simulation, and synthesis techniques. Topics include modeling, simulation, and synthesis techniques, using Hardware Description Language (HDL’s), Register Transfer Level (RTL) representation, high-level functional partitioning functional verification and testing, computer-aided logic synthesis, logical verification and testing, timing and delay analysis, automated place and route process’, and design with Application Specific Integrated Circuits (ASICs) and programmable logic. \textbf{Prerequisite:} CSC 205, CPE 064, or equivalent. Cross-listed as EEE 273; only one may be counted for credit. 3 units.

CSC 275. Advanced Data Communication Systems. Fundamental concepts, principles and issues of data communication systems. The ISO/OSI reference model is used as a vehicle for discussion and the course emphasizes lower layer of the model. Specific topics include: motivation and objectives, layered architectures, physical layer principles and protocols, data link and medium access control principles and protocols, circuit, packet and cell switching, local area network design principles and performance comparisons, high speed networking, introduction to wide area network architectures. Typical examples and standards are cited for point-to-point, satellite, packet radio and local area networks. \textbf{Note:} Not offered every semester. \textbf{Prerequisite:} CSC 138, CSC 205, CPE 138, or instructor permission. 3 units.

CSC 280. Advanced Computer Architecture. Introduction to parallel architecture covering computer classification schemes, fine and coarse grain parallelism, processor interconnections, and performance issues of multiprocessor systems. Includes parallel and pipelined instruction execution, structure of multiprocessor systems, memory hierarchy and coherency in shared memory systems, programming issues of multiprocessor systems, arithmetic pipeline design, and design for testability. \textbf{Prerequisite:} Fully classified graduate standing. Cross-listed as EEE 280; only one may be counted for credit. 3 units.

CSC 288. Special Topics in Computer Science. Contemporary topics in computer science will be offered as needed. May be repeated for credit with permission of the graduate coordinator. Topics offered: 288A. Computer Architecture/Computer Engineering 288B. Intelligent Systems 288C. Systems Software 288D. Software Engineering 288E. Database Management 288F. Network Communications \textbf{Prerequisite:} Fully classified graduate standing or consent of the instructor. 3 units.

CSC 295. Fieldwork. Directed observations and work experience in computer science with firms in the industry or public agencies. Supervision is provided by the instructional staff and the cooperating agencies. \textbf{Note:} Faculty approval required. May be repeated for credit. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1-3 units.

CSC 296. Experimental Offerings in Computer Science. When a sufficient number of qualified students are interested, one of the staff will conduct a seminar on some topic of computer science. May be repeated for credit. 1-4 units.

CSC 299. Special Problems. Any properly qualified student who wishes to pursue a problem of his own choice may do so if the proposed subject is acceptable to the member of the staff with whom he/she works and to his/her advisor. May be repeated for credit. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1-3 units.

CSC 500. Master’s Thesis. Credit given upon successful completion of a thesis approved for the master’s degree. \textbf{Note:} Open only to the graduate student who has been advanced to candidacy for the master’s degree and who secures the permission of the chair of the student’s thesis committee and the Graduate Curriculum Committee. May be repeated for credit. \textbf{Prerequisite:} CSC 209. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1-5 units.

CSC 502. Master’s Project. Credit given upon successful completion of a project approved for the master’s degree. \textbf{Note:} Open only to graduate students advanced to candidacy for the master’s degree, and who elect Plan B. Student must secure the permission of a faculty sponsor. \textbf{Prerequisite:} CSC 209. Graded Credit/No Credit. 1-2 units.