Academic Requirements for Advanced-Entry PhD in Computer Science

A minimum of 16 semester hours of course work beyond the master’s degree (excluding the six required core courses) is required of all students.

Admission to Candidacy

Refer to the Computer Science, PhD, overview for admission to candidacy requirements.

Paper Requirement

Refer to the Computer Science, PhD, overview, for research/survey paper requirements.

Residency

Refer to the Computer Science, PhD, overview, for residency requirements.

Comprehensive Examination/Dissertation Proposal

Refer to the Computer Science, PhD, overview, for comprehensive examination requirements.

Doctoral Dissertation

Refer to the Computer Science, PhD, overview, for doctoral dissertation and completion requirements.

Program Requirements

Complete all courses and requirements listed below unless otherwise indicated.

Milestones

Course requirements
Paper requirement
Comprehensive exam/dissertation proposal
Dissertation Defense

General Requirements

Complete 16 semester hours of approved course work. Consult your faculty advisor for acceptable courses. Students must maintain a minimum GPA of 3.500 as well as earn a grade of B or better in each course.

Dissertation

Upon achieving PhD candidacy, complete the following (repeatable) courses for two consecutive semesters:

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For remaining semester(s), complete the following (repeatable) course until graduation:

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Program Credit/GPA Requirements

16 total semester hours required
Minimum overall 3.000 GPA required