**Computer Science, PhD—Advanced Entry**

**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