Computer Science

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Introduction

The Department of Electrical Engineering & Computer Science is one of the academic departments within the College of Engineering at the University of Missouri. It manages two sets of Programs: the Computer Science Program (CSP) and the Electrical & Computer Engineering Program (ECEP). At the undergraduate level, the EECS Department grants three distinct BS degrees including Computer Science (CS), Computer Engineering (CoE) and Electrical Engineering (EE). The CS undergraduate program is accredited by the Computing Accreditation Commission of ABET, while the CoE and EE undergraduate programs are accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET, http://www.abet.org. At the graduate level, the EECS Department offers MS and ME degrees in CS, CoE and EE, and PhD degrees in CS and Electrical & Computer Engineering (ECE). EECS is undergoing a new wave of innovation broadly referred to as Internet of Things (IoT) or Internet of Everything (IoE) and cyber-physical systems from wearable biocompatible sensors, low power flexible integrated circuits, hybrid multicore computer architectures and hardware level security to new cryptographic protocols, mobile apps, cloud computing, deep learning, robotics, autonomous systems and smart cities. The four year undergraduate CS degree program prepares students for rewarding careers in software systems and computing technologies and lays the foundation for graduate study in the next wave of technological innovation.

The department was established in 1885 (http://missouri.edu/about/history/engineering.php) as the first Electrical Engineering department in the nation, after Thomas Edison helped generate interest in electrical engineering by presenting an electrical dynamo and some incandescent lamps to the University of Missouri in 1882. The EECS department is now home to more than 600 undergraduate students and over 300 graduate students in CS, CoE, EE and ECE, with 35 faculty members (https://engineering.missouri.edu/departments/electrical-engineering-computer-science/eecs-faculty), not including instructors, teaching professors, and emeriti.

About Computer Science Programs

The Computer Science Program (CSP) in the Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (EECS) Department continues to be a dynamic, rapidly evolving and research-active unit at the University of Missouri. The Computer Science Program offers a comprehensive curriculum culminating in a capstone project that provides a solid foundation for undergraduate students to pursue rewarding careers in computing and information technology. Students are able to pursue dual degrees in related fields including information technology, computer engineering and electrical engineering as well as minors in other colleges. Students have opportunities to gain in-depth hands-on knowledge in specialized areas through undergraduate research experiences working with faculty. The faculty lead computer science activities on campus and their research covers both well established and emerging fields including big data analytics, machine learning, cloud computing, cyber-physical, Internet of Things, artificial intelligence, computer vision, robotics, autonomous systems, embedded architectures, high performance computing, computational biology and bioinformatics, biomedical and geospatial informatics, cyber-security, distributed and mobile computing, learning systems, multimedia communications, data visualization, information fusion, sensor networks, spoken language processing, human-computer interfaces, virtual and augmented reality.

The CSP offers graduate programs in masters, dual masters, and doctoral degrees. The graduate degree programs prepare graduates of four-year BS degrees in Computer Science or closely related areas for further study at the doctoral level or for successful careers as specialized computer professionals in emerging fields. The PhD program is a professional research degree designed to prepare students for advanced professional careers, including college teaching and research, as well as research and development in industrial, government, and nonprofit organizations. Specialized training, state-of-the-art technology, innovation and entrepreneurship experience is available through close interaction with the faculty in their respective fields of research expertise.

The faculty members in the Computer Science Program participate in the full spectrum of undergraduate and graduate education. Graduate education, has a strong innovation component with faculty initiated research projects funded by the federal government, state government and industry, and is often multidisciplinary in nature spanning interdepartmental and cross-college research. The aim is to produce computer scientists who can function well as part of interdisciplinary research teams. Close integration of research with education is a constant goal in the department’s graduate programs. It emphasizes in-depth studies that can also be tailored to fit graduate students’ individual interests. Additionally, members of the CSP lead the University’s institutional efforts in developing infrastructure for bioinformatics, computational biology, and high-performance computing and networking. Our major research projects are funded by both federal agencies and industry including the National Science Foundation (NSF), National Institute of Health (NIH), National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA), Department of Energy (DoE), and Department of Defense (DoD) which are examples of federal funding, Microsoft, Honeywell and Monsanto are representative of industrial funding.

Research facilities are well established around faculty expertise in cloud computing, bioinformatics and computational biology, biological and biomedical image analysis, graphics, visualization and virtual reality, mobile computing, artificial intelligence, multimedia, networking, human-computer interaction, information web services, and computer science foundations. These facilities are clustered in core laboratories for bioinformatics, multimedia and visualization, video processing, spoken-language processing, mobile networking and communications, wireless sensor networks, high-performance computing, cyber security, and medical informatics. Faculty in the Computer Science Program work closely with faculty in the Computer Engineering and Electrical Engineering Programs within the EECS Department.

Careers and Graduate study

The Computer Science curriculum prepares graduates of four-year B.S. degrees in Computer Science for successful careers as computer and information technology professionals in industry as part of the rapidly expanding and pervasive information economy. Graduates with B.S. degrees in Computer Science or closely related areas can choose to pursue advanced study at the masters and doctoral level under the
Research

This CSP is the hub of computer science research activities on campus that involve theoretical, experimental, computational and applied research areas in:

- cloud computing and high performance computing
- big data and machine learning
- bioinformatics and computational biology
- bioimaging and phenomics
- graphics, visualization, virtual and augmented reality
- computer vision and image processing
- geospatial information mining and retrieval
- biomedical image analysis
- satellite and aerial imaging
- information fusion & filtering
- cyber-security and cryptography
- cyber-physical and IoT
- multimedia communications and databases
- ambient intelligence and sensor networks
- mobile, distributed and pervasive computing
- spoken language processing
- gesture and human-computer interfaces, etc.

Additionally, members of the CSP lead the University's institutional efforts in developing infrastructure for cloud computing, bioinformatics, computational biology, visualization and high-performance computing and networking.

Faculty


**Assistant Professor** I. Akturk**, G. Bana**, K. Anuarul Hoque "T. Joshi", G. Scott**, P. Valettas*

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**Associate Teaching Professor** D. Musser*

**Assistant Teaching Professor** F. Wang*

**Professor Emeritus** G. K. Springer**, R. McLaren**, Harry Tyrer*, Xinhua Zhuang**


- Graduate Faculty Member - membership is required to teach graduate-level courses, chair master's thesis committees, and serve on doctoral examination and dissertation committees.
- Doctoral Faculty Member - membership is required to chair doctoral examination or dissertation committees. Graduate faculty membership is a prerequisite for Doctoral faculty membership.

Undergraduate

- BS in Computer Science (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/collegeofengineering/computerscience/bs-computer-science)
- Minor in Computer Science (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/collegeofengineering/computerscience/minor-computer-science)

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The Computer Science Program (CSP) in the Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (EECS) Department offers a broad curriculum that spans the theory, design and applications of computing. The Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science includes a strong component of mathematics and sciences along with more theoretical courses in computer science. A Computer Science minor is available.

**Graduate**

- **MS in Computer Science** ([http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/collegeofengineering/computerscience/ms-computer-science](http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/collegeofengineering/computerscience/ms-computer-science))
- PhD in Computer Science ([http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/collegeofengineering/computerscience/phd-computer-science](http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/collegeofengineering/computerscience/phd-computer-science))

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The EECS graduate programs lead to the degrees of Master of Science in Computer Science (MS CS), Computer Engineering (MS CE) and Electrical Engineering (MS EE), Master of Engineering (ME), and Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science (PhD CS) and Doctor of Philosophy in Electrical and Computer Engineering (PhD ECE). The EECS graduate degree programs prepare prior recipients of four-year BS degrees in Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Electrical Engineering or closely related areas for further study at the doctoral level or for successful careers as specialized computer professionals. The Ph.D. program is a research degree designed to prepare students for various advanced professional careers, including college teaching and research, as well as research and development in leading industrial and government R&D facilities.

The ME degree is designed for entering master students interested in a terminal master’s degree, who have a demonstrated need for a professional, non-research degree in engineering, and have an academic interest in the department.

**Application Procedures for CS MS and PhD Programs**

In order to be considered for admission in a particular semester we must receive all required paperwork by these deadlines:

**Fall admission:** Applications and all paperwork must be received by March 1st. NOTE: If applying for financial assistance in the department, applications and all paperwork must be received by January 15th.

**Spring admission:** Applications and all paperwork must be received by October 1st.

Application for admission involves submitting a formal application through the online application system. An application must be accompanied by an application fee. In addition, the applicant must have the following original paperwork sent directly from the originating institutions to the Graduate School:

- Official transcripts from ALL institutions attended
- Official GRE score report from Educational Testing Service in New Jersey (and TOEFL or IELTS scores for international applicants)

The following supplemental materials must be uploaded in the online application:

- Your résumé
- A personal goal statement indicating why you feel prepared to pursue the degree program and why you want to pursue this degree
- Three letters of recommendation from professors who know your abilities that must address your ability and readiness to pursue a graduate program in computer science (submitted by your references directly to your online application)
- Copies (unofficial) of all transcripts
- Copies of GRE results (and TOEFL or IELTS, if applicable).

Note: Copies of the required documents (transcripts, GRE scores, etc.) cannot be accepted in lieu of the official reports from the originating institutions. Copies of these records should be submitted for evaluation, but any decision on admission is non-binding until the official records have been received.

**Current/Former MU students:** All current and former MU students must meet the same requirements as external students and file one of the following forms (in lieu of an MU Application Form):

- Current Non-Degree Graduate Students: Change of Division, Degree, Program, Emphasis, or Advisor form,
- Current graduate students in another department: Change of Division, Degree, Program, Emphasis, or Advisor form (same as 1)
- Previous graduate students returning to same program: Re-Activation form.

**Credit toward a Second Master’s Degree**

A student who has completed one Master’s degree at MU or elsewhere may present, upon the recommendation of the student’s advisor and approval by the Director of Graduate Studies and the Graduate School, a maximum of six hours of credit earned in the previous program toward a second Master’s degree.

**Master of Engineering Degree**

A student may also choose to complete a Master of Engineering ([http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/collegeofengineering/engineering/#graduatetext](http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/collegeofengineering/engineering/#graduatetext)) degree. The requirements for the ME degree are the same as the MS CS with the following exceptions: 1) the student must complete at least 36 hours of graduate courses, 2) a minimum of 30 credit hours must be earned from UM System institutions, 3) at least 21 hours must be courses offered by the CS Department, 4) at least 15 hours must be 8000 level courses offered by CS Department (excluding CMP_SC 8085), 5) CMP_SC 8980, CMP_SC 8990 and CMP_SC 9990 may not be taken, 6) at most 3 hours of CMP_SC 8085 may be taken, 7) No final examination is required. Only the M1 Program of Study is submitted for this program. Master of Engineering, not Computer
Science, is noted on the student’s transcripts. The degree completion letter is tied to meeting the seminar attendance requirement (see M.S. Degree above). Entrance requirements for ME and MS degree are the same.

**Fast Tracking**
In an effort to streamline and accelerate the student acquisition of graduate degrees, we establish fast-tracking options for our current undergraduate students. This option allows students who have completed 75 hours of undergraduate coursework, and maintained a 3.0 or better GPA to apply to the Masters Program, become integrated in the research environment of the EECs Department, and earn between 6 and 12 hours of graduate credit during their undergraduate studies. The program allows students to complete both BS and MS in as few as five years, and the application process is much easier than the formal application process; a GRE score is not required, there is no application fee, and Fast Track students are given priority for teaching assistant positions. Please see the link below for the application.

https://engineering.missouri.edu/academics/eecs/eecs-degrees/bachelor-master-computer-science-engineering/dual-degree-bs-ms-application-form/

**Internal Funding**

**Teaching Assistantships**
Teaching assistantships are normally awarded to qualified graduate students with appropriate communication skills who assist faculty members in various phases of instruction. International students may not be appointed to teaching assistantships in their first semester on campus. International students must pass a language screening test at a proper level to be eligible for the TA positions available.

**Research Assistantships**
Research assistantships are granted to students qualified for working with professors on particular research projects. The research assistants are selected by faculty members who have research funds to support graduate students. Therefore, students should contact the faculty members directly for the RA possibility.

**Fellowships**
The department faculty actively pursue funding for selected research fellowships. Available fellowship opportunities can be found by contacting the ECE Graduate Office. Additionally, a limited number of “Teaching Fellows” are awarded annually to outstanding PhD students, particularly for those preparing for academic careers. Details can obtained from the ECE Graduate Office.

**CMP_SC 1000: Introduction to Computer Science**
This course introduces the Computer Science field, including the history of computers, career opportunities, and ethical/social issues. There will be lectures given by MU Computer Science faculty to discuss exciting fields as well as career advisement given by Computer Science industry representatives. Prerequisites: Restricted to freshman/sophomore students who are BS Computer Science, BS Information Technology and Undeclared Engineering or Pre-Engineering may enroll in the class without permission

**Credit Hour:** 1

**CMP_SC 1010: Topics in Computer Science**
Topic and credit may vary from semester to semester. May be repeated upon consent of department.

**Credit Hour:** 1-99

**CMP_SC 1050: Algorithm Design and Programming I**
This course provides experience in developing algorithms, designing, implementing programs. Topics include syntax/semantics, flow control, loops, recursion, I/O, arrays, strings and pointers.

**Credit Hours:** 4

**Prerequisites:** C- or higher in MATH 1100 or MATH 1160 or MATH 1500. May be restricted to Engineering majors only

**CMP_SC 2001: Topics in Computer Science**
Topic and credit may vary from semester to semester. May be repeated upon consent of department.

**Credit Hour:** 1-99

**Prerequisites:** departmental consent

**CMP_SC 2010: Intellectual Property for Engineers**
The objective of the course is to enable students to understand and develop informed opinions about issues relating to IP and its increasing influence on the control and use of information in society. A secondary objective is to provide a practical understanding of how to establish copyright, trademark, and/or patent protection for IP. Particular emphasis will be given to the complexities associated with IP in the fields of information technology and computer science.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Recommended:** Any 1000 level Engineering course or instructor permission

**CMP_SC 2050: Algorithm Design and Programming II**
A study of fundamental techniques and algorithms for representing and manipulating data structures. Topics include data abstraction, recursion, stacks, queues, linked lists, trees, efficient methods of sorting and searching, and Big-O analysis.

**Credit Hours:** 4

**Prerequisites:** C- or higher in CMP_SC 1050. May be restricted to Engineering majors only

**CMP_SC 2050: Algorithm Design and Programming II**
A study of fundamental techniques and algorithms for representing and manipulating data structures. Topics include data abstraction, recursion, stacks, queues, linked lists, trees, efficient methods of sorting and searching, and Big-O analysis.

**Credit Hours:** 4

**Prerequisites:** C- or higher in CMP_SC 1050. May be restricted to Engineering majors only

**CMP_SC 2111: Production Languages**
The study of the syntax, semantics, and applications of one programming language suitable for large scale scientific or commercial projects, such as FORTRAN, COBOL, PL/1, C, or ADA. May be taken more than once for credit.

**Credit Hour:** 1-3

**Prerequisites:** C- or higher in CMP_SC 2050 or INFOTC 2040

**CMP_SC 2270: Introduction to Logic Systems**
(same as ECE 2210). Basic tools, methods and procedures to design combinational and sequential digital circuits and systems, including number systems, boolean algebra, logic minimization, circuit design, memory elements, and finite state machine design.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Prerequisites:** C or higher in CMP_SC 1050 or INFOTC 1040
CMP_SC 2830: Web Application Development I
(same as INFOTC 2830). This course will attempt to provide a comprehensive understanding of the evolution, the technologies, and the tools of the Internet. In particular, issues pertaining to the World Wide Web and Multimedia (HTML, CGI, Web based applications) will be discussed in detail.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: C- or higher in CMP_SC 2050

CMP_SC 3050: Advanced Algorithm Design
This class surveys fundamental algorithms and data structures that have wide practical applicability, including search trees and graph algorithms. Emphasis is placed on techniques for efficient implementation and good software development methodologies.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 2050 with a C or higher

CMP_SC 3280: Computer Organization and Assembly Language
(same as ECE 3280). Introduces computer architectures, programming concepts including parameter passing, I/O, interrupt handling, DMA, memory systems, cache, and virtual memory. Graded of A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: C or higher in CMP_SC 2270 or ECE 2210 or ECE 1210

CMP_SC 3330: Object Oriented Programming
This course focuses on object-oriented programming concepts: abstraction, polymorphism, encapsulation, inheritance, interfaces, abstract classes, files, streams, and object serialization. Topics such as GUI and event-driven programming are also tackled.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 2050 or INFOTC 2040 with a C or higher grade

CMP_SC 3380: Database Applications and Information Systems
Covers fundamental topics of database management systems (DBMS) and database-enabled applications. Topics include a brief history of secondary storage and databases, data modeling, introductory SQL, an overview of current database trends, and current popular database systems. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: C- or higher in CMP_SC 2050 or INFOTC 2040

CMP_SC 3530: UNIX Operating System
Introduction to the UNIX operating system and its interfaces including the file system, shell, editors, pipes and filters, input/output system, shell programming, program development including C, and document preparation.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: C- or higher in CMP_SC 2050 or INFOTC 2040

CMP_SC 3940: Internship in Computer Science
Computer-related experience in business or industry jointly supervised by faculty and computer professionals. Students should apply one semester in advance for consent of the supervising professor. Graded on a S/U basis only.

Credit: 1-3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 2050

CMP_SC 4001: Topics in Computer Science
Topic and credit may vary from semester to semester. May be repeated upon consent of department.

Credit Hours: 1-99

CMP_SC 4050: Design and Analysis of Algorithms I
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7050). This course reviews and extends earlier work with linked structures, sorting and searching algorithms, and recursion. Graph algorithms, string matching, combinatorial search, geometrical algorithms and related topics are also studied.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: C- or higher in CMP_SC 3050 and MATH 2320

CMP_SC 4060: String Algorithms
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7060). This course provides an introduction to algorithms that efficiently compute patterns in strings. Topics covered include basic properties of strings, data structures for processing strings, string decomposition, exact and approximate string matching algorithms.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: C- or higher in CMP_SC 4050

CMP_SC 4070: Numerical Methods for Science and Engineering
(same as ECE 4070; cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7070, ECE 7070). This course introduces the basic numerical methods that are widely used by computer scientists and engineers. Students will learn how to use the MATLAB platform to find the computational solution of various problems arising in many real world applications. By completing this course, students will be able to master algorithms, compare their performances and critically assess which ones are viable options for the particular problem at hand. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: C- or higher in CMP_SC 2050 and junior standing or instructor's consent
Recommended: Students are expected to have basic knowledge in discrete math and algorithms

CMP_SC 4080: Parallel Programming for High Performance Computing
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7080) This course will provide in-depth treatment of the evolution high performance computing architectures and parallel programming techniques for those architectures. We will cover topics such as: multi-process and multi-threaded programming; multi-node system architectures (clusters, grids, and clouds) and distributed programming; and general purpose GPU programming. To reinforce lecture topics, programming projects will be completed using multi-process and multi-threaded techniques for modern multicore, multiprocessor workstations; parallel and distributed programming techniques for modern multi-node systems; and general purpose GPU programming. Parallel algorithms will be investigated, selected, and then developed for various scientific data processing problems. Programming projects will be completed using C and C++ APIs and language extensions, e.g. threads (pthreads, Boost/C++), TBB, CILK, OpenMP, OpenMPI, CUDA and OpenCL.
Prerequisites:
Credit Hour oriented implementation language.

**CMP_SC 4085: Problems in Computer Science**
Independent investigation or project in Computer Science. May be repeated to up 6 hours.

**Credit Hour:** 1-6
**Prerequisites:** senior standing in Computer Science

**CMP_SC 4270: Computer Organization**
(same as ECE 4270; cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7270, ECE 7270). Advanced computer architectures and programming; memory, memory management and cache organizations, parallel processing, graphical processor units for general programming.

**Credit Hours:** 4
**Prerequisites:** C or higher in CMP_SC 2050 and CMP_SC 3280 or ECE 3280

**CMP_SC 4280: Network Systems Architecture**
(same as ECE 4280; cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7280, ECE 7280). The course covers network systems (interconnects and switch fabrics, network considerations) and relevant networking applications at the network, transport and application layer.

**Credit Hours:** 4
**Prerequisites:** C- or higher in CMP_SC 2050 or ECE 3220 and C- or higher in CMP_SC 3280 or ECE 3210

**CMP_SC 4320: Software Engineering I**
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7320). Overview of software life cycle, including topics in systems analysis and requirements specification, design, implementation testing and maintenance. Uses modeling techniques, project management, peer review, quality assurance, and system acquisition.

**Credit Hours:** 3
**Prerequisites:** C- or higher in CMP_SC 3380

**CMP_SC 4320W: Software Engineering I - Writing Intensive**
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7320). Overview of software life cycle, including topics in systems analysis and requirements specification, design, implementation testing and maintenance. Uses modeling techniques, project management, peer review, quality assurance, and system acquisition.

**Credit Hours:** 3
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 3380

**CMP_SC 4330: Object Oriented Design I**
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7330). Building on a prior knowledge of program design and data structures, this course covers object-oriented design, including classes, objects, inheritance, polymorphism, and information hiding. Students will apply techniques using a modern object-oriented implementation language.

**Credit Hours:** 3
**Prerequisites:** C- or higher in CMP_SC 3330

**CMP_SC 4350: Big Data Analytics**
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7350). Big Data Analytics represents a new era of computing, where data in any format maybe processed and exploited to extract insights for industries and organizations to make informed decisions, whether that data is in-place, in-motion or at-rest, in large volume, structured or unstructured. More and more companies are embracing open source Big Data technologies, such as Hadoop and extending it into an enterprise ready Big Data Platform. This course will cover advanced analytics technologies and techniques that enable industries to extract insights from data with sophistication, speed and accuracy. You will learn practical industry best practices to bridge the gap between classroom learning and real world; and have access to cloud services for labs/projects.

**Credit Hours:** 3
**Prerequisites:** C- or higher in CMP_SC 3330 and CMP_SC 3380

**CMP_SC 4380: Database Management Systems I**
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7380). Fundamental concepts of current database systems with emphasis on the relational model. Topics include entity-relationship model, relational algebra, query by example, indexing, query optimization, normal forms, crash recovery, web-based database access, and case studies. Project work involves a modern DBMS, such as Oracle, using SQL.

**Credit Hours:** 3
**Prerequisites:** C- or higher in CMP_SC 3380

**CMP_SC 4410: Theory of Computation I**
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7410). An introductory study of computation and formal languages by means of automata and related grammars. The theory and applications of finite automata, regular expressions, context free grammars, pushdown automata and Turing machines are examined. May not be counted toward Computer Science MS/PHD.

**Credit Hours:** 3
**Prerequisites:** C- or higher in MATH 2320

**CMP_SC 4430: Compilers I**
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7430). Introduction to the translation of programming languages by means of interpreters and compilers. Lexical analysis, syntax specification, parsing, error-recovery, syntax-directed translation, semantic analysis, symbol tables for block structured languages, and run-time storage organization. May not be counted toward Computer Science MS/PHD.

**Credit Hours:** 3
**Prerequisites:** C- or higher in MATH 2320, CMP_SC 3280 and CMP_SC 4450

**CMP_SC 4440: Malware Analysis and Defense**
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7440). Malicious software or “malware” is a security threat. This course teaches students to understand the nature and types of viruses and how they are threats; teaches techniques used to prevent, detect, repair and defend against viruses and worms; teaches program binary examination tools to detect malicious code; and teaches ethical issues surrounding computer security violations.

**Credit Hours:** 3
**Prerequisites:** C- or higher in CMP_SC 3280 or ECE 3210
CMP_SC 4450: Principles of Programming Languages  
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7450). An introduction to the structure, design and implementation of programming languages. Topics include syntax, semantics, data types, control structures, parameter passing, run-time structures, and functional and logic programming. May not be counted toward Computer Science MS/PHD.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: C- or higher in CMP_SC 2050

CMP_SC 4460: Introduction to Cryptography  
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7460). Cryptography is an important technique used to achieve security goals in an untrusted and possibly adversarial environment. The goals of this course are: (1) to provide students with a solid background with basic cryptographic techniques and their applications, (2) to impart knowledge of standard cryptographic algorithms and (3) to foster understanding of the correct use of cryptographic techniques.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: C- or higher in CMP_SC 3050 and MATH 2320

CMP_SC 4520: Operating Systems I  
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7520). Basic concepts, theories and implementation of modern operating systems including process and memory management, synchronization, CPU and disk scheduling, file systems, I/O systems, security and protection, and distributed operating systems.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: C- or higher in CMP_SC 3050, CMP_SC 3280 and MATH 1700

CMP_SC 4530: Cloud Computing  
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7530). This course covers principles that integrate computing theories and information technologies with the design, programming and application of distributed systems. The course topics will familiarize students with distributed system models and enabling technologies; virtual machines and virtualization of clusters, networks and data centers; cloud platform architecture with security over virtualized data centers; service- oriented architectures for distributed computing; and cloud programming and software environments. Additionally, students will learn how to conduct some parallel and distributed programming and performance evaluation experiments on applications within available cloud platforms. Finally we will survey research literature and latest technology trends that are shaping the future of high performance, distributed and cloud computing.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: C- or higher in CMP_SC 3330 or instructor's consent

CMP_SC 4610: Computer Graphics I  
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7610). Basic concepts and techniques of interactive computer graphics including hardware, software, data structures, mathematical manipulation of graphical objects, the user interface, and fundamental implementation algorithms.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: C- or higher in CMP_SC 3050 and MATH 1500 or C- or higher in CMP_SC 3050 and MATH 1300 and MATH 1400

CMP_SC 4620: Physically Based Modeling and Animation  
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7620). This course introduces students to physically based modeling and animation methodology for computer graphics and related fields such as computer vision, visualization, biomedical imaging and virtual reality. We will explore current research issues and will cover associated computational methods for simulating various visually interesting physical phenomena. This course should be appropriate for graduate students in all areas as well as advanced undergraduate students.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: C- or higher in CMP_SC 4610  
Recommended: Good knowledge of C or C++ programming, no physics background necessary

CMP_SC 4650: Digital Image Processing  
(same as ECE 4655; cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7650, ECE 7655). Fundamentals of digital image processing hardware and software including digital image acquisition, image display, image enhancement, image transforms and segmentation.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: C- or higher in CMP_SC 2050 and STAT 4710 or instructor's consent

CMP_SC 4670: Digital Image Compression  
(same as ECE 4675; cross-leveled with ECE 7675, CMP_SC 7670). Covers digital image formation, information theory concepts, and fundamental lossless and lossy image compression techniques including bit plane encoding, predictive coding, transform coding, block truncation coding, vector quantization, subband coding and hierarchical coding.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: C- or higher in CMP_SC 2050

CMP_SC 4720: Introduction to Machine Learning and Pattern Recognition  
(same as ECE 4720; cross-leveled with ECE 7720, CMP_SC 7720). This course provides foundations and methods in machine learning and pattern recognition that address the problem of programming computers to optimize performance by learning from example data or expert knowledge. Graded on A-F basis only.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: C- or higher in CMP_SC 2050 and STAT 4710 or instructor consent

CMP_SC 4730: Building Intelligent Robots  
(same as ECE 4340; cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7340, ECE 7340). Covers the design and development of intelligent machines, emphasizing topics related to sensor-based control of mobile robots. Includes mechanics and motor control, sensor characterization, reactive behaviors and control architectures.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: C- or higher in CMP_SC 2050

Recommended: programming experience in one of the following programming languages - Basic, C, C++, or Java
**CMP_SC 4740: Interdisciplinary Introduction to NLP**
(same as LINGST 4740; cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7740; LINGST 7740). The goal of this course is to enable students to develop substantive NLP applications. Focus on current structural and statistical techniques for the parsing and interpretation of texts.

**Credit Hours:** 3
**Prerequisites:** senior standing

**CMP_SC 4750: Artificial Intelligence I**
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7750). Introduction to the concepts and theories of intelligent systems. Various approaches to creating intelligent systems, including symbolic and computational approaches, insight into the philosophical debates important to understanding AI.

**Credit Hours:** 3
**Prerequisites:** C- or higher in CMP_SC 3050 and junior standing

**CMP_SC 4770: Introduction to Computational Intelligence**
(same as ECE 4870; cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7770, ECE 7870). Introduction to the concepts, models and algorithms for the development of intelligent systems from the standpoint of the computational paradigms of neural networks, fuzzy set theory and fuzzy logic, evolutionary computation and swarm optimization.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**CMP_SC 4830: Web Application Development II**
(same as INFOTC 4830; cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7830). This course will study the science and engineering of the World Wide Web. We will study the languages, protocols, services and tools that enable the web. Emphasis will be placed on basics and technologies.

**Credit Hours:** 3
**Prerequisites:** C- or higher in CMP_SC 2830

**CMP_SC 4850: Computer Networks I**
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 7850). Introduction to concepts and terminology of data communications and computer networking. Basic protocols and standards, applications of networking, routing algorithms, congestion avoidance, long-haul and local networks.

**Credit Hours:** 3
**Prerequisites:** C- or higher in CMP_SC 2270 or ECE 1210 and C- or higher in MATH 2320

**CMP_SC 4970: Senior Capstone Design I**
Communication skills, and prototyping. Covers professional ethics, intellectual property/patenting, knowledge of engineering literature, safety, economic and environmental impact of technology. Essays, oral and written reports.

**Credit Hours:** 3
**Prerequisites:** C- or higher in CMP_SC 4320 and senior standing

**CMP_SC 4980: Senior Capstone Design II**
Course entails completion of CMP_SC 4970 design project. Design prototyping, testing, evaluation, presentation, and preparation of documentation.

**Credit Hours:** 3
**Prerequisites:** C- or higher in CMP_SC 4970

**CMP_SC 4990: Undergraduate Research in Computer Science**
Independent investigation or project in Computer Science. May be repeated to 6 hours.

**Credit Hour:** 0-6
**Prerequisites:** senior standing in Computer Science

**CMP_SC 4995: Undergraduate Research in Computer Science - Honors**
Independent investigation to be presented as an undergraduate honors thesis.

**Credit Hour:** 1-6
**Prerequisites:** honors student in Computer Science

**CMP_SC 7001: Topics in Computer Science**
Topic and credit may vary from semester to semester. May be repeated upon consent of department.

**Credit Hour:** 1-99

**CMP_SC 7010: Computational Methods in Bioinformatics**
(same as INFOINST 7010) Introduces the fundamental concepts and basic computational techniques for mainstream bioinformatics problems. Emphasis will be placed on the computational aspect of bioinformatics, including formulation of a biological problem in a computable problem, design of scoring functions and algorithms, confidence assessment of prediction results and software development.

**Credit Hours:** 3
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 4050 and STAT 4710

**CMP_SC 7050: Design and Analysis of Algorithms I**
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4050). This course reviews and extends earlier work with linked structures, sorting and searching algorithms, and recursion. Graph algorithms, string matching, combinatorial search, geometrical algorithms and related topics are also studied. Cannot be counted toward CS MS/PHD.

**Credit Hours:** 3
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 3050 and MATH 2320

**CMP_SC 7060: String Algorithms**
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4060). This course provides an introduction to algorithms that efficiently compute patterns in strings. Topics covered include basic properties of strings, data structures for processing strings, string decomposition, exact and approximate string matching algorithms.

**Credit Hours:** 3
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 4050
CMP_SC 7070: Numerical Methods for Science and Engineering
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4070). This course introduces the basic numerical methods that are widely used by computer scientists and engineers. Students will learn how to use the MATLAB platform to find the computational solution of various problems arising in many real world applications. By completing this course, students will be able to master algorithms, compare their performances and critically assess which ones are viable options for the particular problem at hand. Graded on A-F basis only.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: C- or higher in CMP_SC 2050 or instructor's consent
Recommended: Students are expected to have basic knowledge in discrete math and algorithms

CMP_SC 7080: Parallel Programming for High Performance Computing
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4080). This course will provide in-depth treatment of the evolution high performance computing architectures and parallel programming techniques for those architectures. We will cover topics such as: multi-process and multi-threaded programming; multi-node system architectures (clusters, grids, and clouds) and distributed programming; and general purpose GPU programming. To reinforce lecture topics, programming projects will be completed using multi-process and multi-threaded techniques for modern multicore, multiprocessor workstations; parallel and distributed programming techniques for modern multi-node systems; and general purpose GPU programming. Parallel algorithms will be investigated, selected, and then developed for various scientific data processing problems. Programming projects will be completed using C and C++ APIs and language extensions, e.g. threads (pthreads, Boost/C++), TBB, Cilk, OpenMP, OpenMPI, CUDA and OpenCL.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 3280 or ECE 3210 and CMP_SC 3050 or ECE 3220

CMP_SC 7270: Computer Organization
(same as ECE 727; cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4270; ECE 4270). Advanced computer architectures and programming; memory, memory management and cache organizations, parallel processing, graphical processor units for general programming.
Credit Hours: 4
Prerequisites: C or higher in CMP_SC 2050 and CMP_SC 3280 or ECE 3280

CMP_SC 7320: Software Engineering I
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4320). Overview of software life cycle, including topics in systems analysis and requirements specification, design, implementation testing and maintenance. Uses modeling techniques, project management, peer review, quality assurance, and system acquisition. May not be counted toward CS MS/PHD.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 3380

CMP_SC 7330: Object Oriented Design I
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4330). Building on a prior knowledge of program design and data structures, this course covers object-oriented design, including classes, objects, inheritance, polymorphism, and information hiding. Students will apply techniques using a modern object-oriented implementation language.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 3330

CMP_SC 7350: Big Data Analytics
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4350). Big Data Analytics represents a new era of computing, where data in any format maybe processed and exploited to extract insights for industries and organizations to make informed decisions, whether that data is in-place, in-motion or at-rest, in large volume, structured or unstructured. More and more companies are embracing open source Big Data technologies, such as Hadoop and extending it into an enterprise ready Big Data Platform. This course will cover advanced analytics technologies and techniques that enable industries to extract insights from data with sophistication, speed and accuracy. You will learn practical industry best practices to bridge the gap between classroom learning and real world; and have access to cloud services for labs/projects.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 3330 and CMP_SC 3380

CMP_SC 7380: Database Management Systems I
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4380). Fundamental concepts of current database systems with emphasis on the relational model. Topics include entity-relationship model, relational algebra, query by example, indexing, query optimization, normal forms, crash recovery, web-based database access, and case studies. Project work involves a modern DBMS, such as Oracle, using SQL.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 2050

CMP_SC 7410: Theory of Computation I
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4410). An introductory study of computation and formal languages by means of automata and related grammars. The theory and applications of finite automata, regular expressions, context free grammars, pushdown automata and Turing machines are examined. May not be counted toward CS MS/PHD.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: MATH 2320

CMP_SC 7430: Compilers I
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4430). Introduction to the translation of programming languages by means of interpreters and compilers. Lexical analysis, syntax specification, parsing, error-recovery, syntax-directed translation, semantic analysis, symbol tables for blockstructured languages, and run-time storage organization. May not be counted toward CS MS/PHD.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: MATH 2320 and CMP_SC 3280 and CMP_SC 4450

CMP_SC 7440: Malware Analysis and Defense
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4440). Malicious software or “malware” is a security threat. This course teaches students to understand the nature and types of viruses and how they are threats; teaches techniques used to prevent, detect, repair and defend against viruses and worms; teaches
program binary examination tools to detect malicious code; and ethical
issues surround computer security violations.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 3280, ECE 3210 or equivalent

**CMP_SC 7450: Principles of Programming Languages**
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4450). An introduction to the structure,
design and implementation of programming languages. Topics include
syntax, semantics, data types, control structures, parameter passing,
run-time structures, and functional and logic programming. May not be
counted toward CS MS/PHD.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 2050

**CMP_SC 7460: Introduction to Cryptography**
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4460). Cryptography is an important
technique used to achieve security goals in an untrusted and
(possibly) adversarial environment. The goals of this course are: (1)
to provide students with a solid back-ground with basic cryptographic
techniques and their applications, (2) impart knowledge of standard
cryptographic algorithms and (3) foster understanding of the correct use
of cryptographic techniques.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 3050 and MATH 2320

**CMP_SC 7520: Operating Systems I**
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4520). Basic concepts, theories and
implementation of modern operating systems including process and
memory management, synchronization, CPU and disk scheduling, file
systems, I/O systems, security and protection, and distributed operating
systems. Cannot be counted toward CS MS/PHD.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: C- or higher in CMP_SC 3050, CMP_SC 3280 and MATH
1700

**CMP_SC 7530: Cloud Computing**
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4530). This course covers principles
that integrate computing theories and information technologies with
the design, programming and application of distributed systems. The
course topics will familiarize students with distributed system models and
enabling technologies; virtual machines and virtualization of clusters,
networks and data centers; cloud platform architecture with security over
virtualized data centers; service- oriented architectures for distributed
computing; and cloud programming and software environments.
Additionally, students will learn how to conduct some parallel
and distributed programming and performance evaluation experiments on
applications within available cloud platforms. Finally we will survey
research literature and latest technology trends that are shaping the
future of high performance, distributed and cloud computing.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 3330 or instructor's consent

**CMP_SC 7610: Computer Graphics I**
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4610). Basic concepts and techniques
of interactive computer graphics including hardware, software, data
structures, mathematical manipulation of graphical objects, the user
interface, and fundamental implementation algorithms.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 3050 and either MATH 1500 or MATH 1300
and MATH 1400

**CMP_SC 7620: Physically Based Modeling and Animation**
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4620). Introduces fundamental algorithms
and techniques including interpolation, quaternions, rigid body dynamics,
kinematics, particle systems, free form and dynamic deformations, spring
and damper systems and computational natural phenomena simulation.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 4610 or CMP_SC 7610
Recommended: Good knowledge of C or C++ programming, no physics
background necessary

**CMP_SC 7650: Digital Image Processing**
(same as ECE 7655; cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4650, ECE 4655).
Fundamentals of digital image processing hardware and software
including digital image acquisition, image display, image enhancement,
image transforms and segmentation.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 2050, STAT 7710 or instructor's consent

**CMP_SC 7670: Digital Image Compression**
(same as ECE 7675; cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4670, ECE 4675).
Covers digital image formation, information theory concepts, and
fundamental lossless and lossy image compression techniques including
bit plane encoding, predictive coding, transform coding, block truncation
coding, vector quantization, subband coding and hierarchical coding.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 2050

**CMP_SC 7720: Introduction to Machine Learning and Pattern
Recognition**
(same as ECE 7720; cross-level CMP 4720, ECE 4720). This course
provides foundation knowledge and methods in machine learning and
pattern recognition that address the problem of programming computers
to optimize performance by learning from example data or expert
knowledge. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 2050 and STAT 7710 or instructor's consent

**CMP_SC 7730: Building Intelligent Robots**
(same as ECE 7340; cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4730, ECE 4730).
Covers the design and development of intelligent machines, emphasizing
topics related to sensor-based control of mobile robots. Includes
mechanics and motor control, sensor characterization, reactive behaviors
and control architectures. Prerequisites: programing experience in one of
the following programming languages: Basic, C, C++, or Java.

Credit Hours: 4
**CMP_SC 7740: Interdisciplinary Introduction to Natural Language Processing**  
(same as LINGST 7740; cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4740; LINGST 4740). The goal of this course is to enable students to develop substantive NLP applications. Focus on current structural and statistical techniques for the parsing and interpretation of text.  
**Credit Hours:** 3

**CMP_SC 7750: Artificial Intelligence I**  
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4750). Introduction to the concepts and theories of intelligent systems. Various approaches to creating intelligent systems, including symbolic and computational approaches, insight into the philosophical debates important to understanding AI.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 3050

**CMP_SC 7770: Introduction to Computational Intelligence**  
(same as ECE 7870; cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4770, ECE 4870). Introduction to the concepts, models and algorithms for the development of intelligent systems from the standpoint of the computational paradigms of neural networks, fuzzy set theory and fuzzy logic, evolutionary computation and swarm optimization.  
**Credit Hours:** 3

**CMP_SC 7830: Web Application Development II**  
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4830). This course will study the science and engineering of the World Wide Web. We will study the languages, protocols, services and tools that enable the web. Emphasis will be placed on basics and technologies.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 3330 and CMP_SC 2830

**CMP_SC 7850: Computer Networks I**  
(cross-leveled with CMP_SC 4850). Introduction to concepts and terminology of data communications and computer networking. Basic protocols and standards, applications of networking, routing algorithms, congestion avoidance, long-haul and local networks.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 2270 or ECE 1210 and MATH 2320

**CMP_SC 8001: Advanced Topics in Computer Science**  
Topic may vary from semester to semester. May be repeated upon consent of department.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** varies by topic

**CMP_SC 8050: Design and Analysis of Algorithms II**  
Topics include graph, geometric, and algebraic/ numeric algorithms, NP-completeness, and parallel algorithms.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 4050

**CMP_SC 8060: Survey of Advanced Algorithm Techniques**  
This class provides a survey of important algorithmic techniques, some of which are emerging right now, and show that they are much easier to understand than they first appear. The class will create a renewed appreciation for what makes Computer Science such a fun/interesting discipline.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 4050

**CMP_SC 8085: Problems in Computer Science**  
Independent study project work with a professor in computer science.  
**Credit Hour:** 1-4  
**Prerequisites:** instructor consent

**CMP_SC 8130: Computational Genomics**  
(same as INFOINST 8310). This course introduces computational concepts and methods of genomics to students. The course covers genome structure, database, sequencing, assembly, annotation, gene and RNA finding, motif and repeats identification, single nucleotide polymorphism, and epigenomics. Graded on A-F basis only.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** INFOINST 7010 or CMP_SC 7010

**CMP_SC 8150: Integrative Methods in Bioinformatics**  
(same as INFOINST 8150), Introduces the most popular experimental methods from the point of view of the information sources that can be used. Students will use data obtained directly from biological experiments and learn how to suggest new experiments to improve results. Graded on A-F basis only.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** INFOINST 7010 or CMP_SC 7010

**CMP_SC 8160: Content Management in Biomedical Informatics**  
(same as INFOINST 8860). This course introduces theory and techniques for content extraction, indexing, and retrieval of biomedical media databases. Topics include biomedical media databases, feature extraction methods, advanced database indexing structures, query methods, and result visualization. Graded on A-F basis only.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 7380, INFOINST 7010

**CMP_SC 8170: Computational Modeling of Molecular Structures**  
This course uses a problem solving paradigm to investigate common principles, data structures, algorithms, challenges, and solutions in computationally modeling (constructing) 3D structures of proteins, RNAs, chromosomes, and genomes.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 7010

**CMP_SC 8180: Machine Learning Methods for Biomedical Informatics**  
(same as INFOINST 8880). Teaches statistical machine learning methods and applications in biomedical informatics. Covers theories of advanced statistical machine learning methods and how to develop
machine learning methods to solve biomedical problems. Graded on A-F basis only.  

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 7050 and INFOINST 7010 or CMP_SC 7010 or CMP_SC 7005

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**CMP_SC 8190: Computational Systems Biology**  
(same as INFOINST 8390). This course covers current theories and methods in the modeling and analysis of high-throughput experiments such as microarrays, proteomics, and metabolomics. Topics include the inference of causal relations from experimental data and reverse engineering of cellular systems. Graded on A-F basis only.  

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** INFOINST 7010 or CMP_SC 7010; INFOINST 8010

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**CMP_SC 8370: Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery**  
Course topics include an introduction to fundamental concepts, data mining techniques from machine learning and pattern recognition, association rules, web mining, spatial mining, temporal mining, multimedia/multimodal database mining, and database mining, and geospatial information mining.  

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 7380

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**CMP_SC 8440: Information Security: A Language-Based Approach**  
This course focuses on language-based techniques for information flow security. Students will gain a solid background in information security, be encouraged to do further research and be exposed to important/promising trends in state-of-the-art computer security. Prerequisites: CMP_SC 4450 or CMP_SC 7450  

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 7450

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Designing scalable exhaustive methods to ensure reliability of computer systems is an important challenge in computer science as even simple errors can have serious socio-economic-political consequences. This challenge is the focus of the field of automated verification techniques which draws techniques from complexity theory, automata theory, programming languages and logic, and provides tools to ensure that the computer systems are reliable. Computer-assisted techniques for verifying hardware implementations are regularly employed in the industry, and are also being increasingly adopted in the software industry as the costs of software bugs and security flaws escalate. The goals of this course are: (1) to provide students with a solid background in the fundamental techniques used in this field, (2) to encourage further research in software and security verification, and (3) to introduce students to important upcoming trends in verifying security protocols. The students will get theoretical background as well as learn to use some standard tools in this field. Students will also explore topics of particular interest to them through the performance of a significant semester project.  

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 4450 or CMP_SC 7450 or CMP_SC 4430 or CMP_SC 7430 or instructor's consent. A reasonable level of mathematical maturity and significant programming experience is expected

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**CMP_SC 8530: Cloud Computing II**  
This course covers advanced principles of distributed system models and enabling technologies relating to cloud computing; latest advances in management and security of virtual machines and virtualization of clusters, networks, and data centers will be studied; additionally, students will survey research literature and perform cloud programming as well as performance evaluation experiments on applications within available cloud platforms. Students will learn project-based: problem solving, collaborative programming, technical writing and presentation skills. Graded on A-F basis only.  

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 4530 or CMP_SC 7530 or instructor's consent

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**CMP_SC 8610: Computer Graphics II**  
Further study of computer graphics, focused on 3-D graphics, transformations, geometric and surface modeling, color models, visible surface determination, lighting and shading, standard graphics software (Phigs/OpenGL). Selected current topics in graphics such as visualization, animation and realism.  

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 7610

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**CMP_SC 8620: Physically Based Modeling and Animation II**  
This course introduces students to physical based modeling and animation methodology for computer graphics and related fields such as computer vision, visualization, biomedical imaging and virtual reality. We will explore current research issues and will cover associated computational methods for simulating various visually interesting physical phenomena. This course should be appropriate for graduate students in all areas as well as advanced undergraduate students.  

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 4610 or CMP_SC 7610

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**CMP_SC 8630: Data Visualization**  
Data visualization broadly covers transforming multidimensional and time-varying datasets to dynamic visual representations and encodings that facilitate exploratory data mining, knowledge discovery, improved understanding, summarization, structural modeling, collaboration and decision making using interactive methods.  

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 4610 or CMP_SC 7610 or instructor's consent

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**CMP_SC 8650: Advanced Image Processing**  
(same as ECE 8855). This course covers advanced topics in image understanding including multispectral multimodal imaging, motion estimation, texture analysis, geometric level set methods.  

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** CMP_SC 4650 or CMP_SC 7650 or instructor's consent

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**CMP_SC 8660: Multimedia Security**  
This course offers a comprehensive coverage of the theoretical foundation of multimedia security technologies, including encryption, authentication, digital watermarking, key management, copy control,
fingerprinting/tracing, digital media forensics, and biometrics, provides an in-depth study of the state-of-the-art digital rights management systems and the underlying security technologies. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 4670 or CMP_SC 4650; instructor's consent

CMP_SC 8675: Biomedical Image Processing
(same as ECE 8675). This course introduces students to the fundamentals of biomedical image processing and analysis with an emphasis on cellular and tissue microscopy along with anatomical imaging. The course will cover image and video processing techniques and pipelines for image enhancement, restoration, registration, detection, segmentation, classification, and motion analysis that are tailored for biomedical image informatics. This course will provide a rich exposure to a broad range of imaging datasets from the molecular to the anatomical; and train students to implement algorithms for moderately complex tasks in biomedical image analysis. This course is suitable for graduate students in all fields of engineering and science who are interested in understanding and implementing biomedical and biological image analytics and are seeking pointers to the broad literature in the field.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 4650 or CMP_SC 7650, ECE 4655 or ECE 7655 or instructor's consent

CMP_SC 8680: 3-D Computer Vision
This course introduces students to a central problem in computer vision - how to recover 3-D structure and motion from a collection of 2-D images, using techniques drawn mainly from linear algebra and matrix theory. The main focus is on developing a unified framework for studying the geometry of multiple images of a 3-D scene and reconstructing geometric models from those images. The course also covers relevant aspects of image formation, basic image processing, and feature extraction.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 4650 or CMP_SC 7650
Recommended: Good knowledge of C or C++ programming, linear algebra and data structures

CMP_SC 8690: Computer Vision
(same as ECE 8690). This course introduces students to the fundamental problems of computer vision, the main concepts and the techniques used to solve such problems. It will enable graduate and advanced undergraduate students to solve complex problems and make sense of the literature in the area. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: ECE 4655 or ECE 7655 or CMP_SC 4650 or CMP_SC 7650 or instructor's consent

CMP_SC 8725: Supervised Learning
(same as ECE 8725). This course introduces the theories and applications of advanced supervised machine learning methods. It covers hidden Markov model and expectation maximization (EM) algorithms, probabilistic graphical models, non-linear support vector machine and kernel methods. The course emphasizes both the theoretical underpinnings of the advanced supervised learning methods and their applications in the real world. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 4720 or CMP_SC 7720 or ECE 4720 or ECE 7720 or instructor's consent

CMP_SC 8735: Unsupervised Learning
(same as ECE 8735). Theoretical and practical aspects of unsupervised learning including topics of expectation maximization (EM), mixture decomposition, clustering algorithms, cluster visualization, and cluster validity. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 4740 or CMP_SC 7740
Recommended: CMP_SC 2050; students should be facile in programming at least one high-level language. Good knowledge of univariate, parametric statistics

CMP_SC 8740: Advanced Natural Language Processing
What do Google, the New York Times, Facebook, Cerner, and other big companies know that you don't? Natural language processing. This course considers open and compelling problems in contemporary research in the processing and analysis of text, focusing on both the underlying theory and its practical application. The goal is to help students understand the nature of these problems, the current approaches to them, the strengths and weaknesses of those approaches, and other possible ways forward.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 4740 or CMP_SC 7740
Recommended: CMP_SC 2050; students should be facile in programming at least one high-level language. Good knowledge of univariate, parametric statistics

CMP_SC 8750: Artificial Intelligence II
Further discussion of theories and techniques of artificial intelligence. Investigating state-of-the-art systems with capabilities to perceive, reason, learn and react intelligently to their environment.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 4750 or CMP_SC 7750 or instructor's consent

CMP_SC 8780: Advanced Topics in Computational Intelligence
(same as ECE 8875). This course is a continuation of ECE 7870/ CMP_SC 7770 Introduction to Computational Intelligence in the concepts, models, and algorithms for the development of intelligent systems from the standpoint of the computational paradigms of neural networks, fuzzy set theory and fuzzy logic, evolutionary computation, and swarm intelligence. Advanced topics in these areas will be discussed with a focus on applications of these technologies.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: ECE 4870 or ECE 7870 or CMP_SC 4770 or CMP_SC 7770

CMP_SC 8790: Filtering, Tracking and Data Fusion
This course will cover theory and applications of rigorous and efficient techniques for determining the state of an observed system from a series of imperfect observations or measurements. Specific topics to be covered include semidefinite matrix theory, the Kalman filter, the Unscented Transform, Covariance Intersection and related techniques. Applications of these techniques include head and hand tracking in virtual reality systems, robotics, and distributed information fusion.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 2050, MATH 2300 or Linear Algebra or Matrix Theory

CMP_SC 8850: Computer Networks II
In-depth analysis and evaluation of computer networking architectures, protocols and algorithms, network security, distributed database and computational networks, routing and congestion control, domains and internetworking.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 7850

CMP_SC 8860: Parallel and Distributed Processing
This course covers basic issues of parallel and distributed processing, including parallel and distributed architectures and models, parallel programming, and parallel algorithms and applications.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: CMP_SC 4050

CMP_SC 8870: Modeling and Management of Uncertainty
(same as ECE 8870). Theoretical and practical issues in the modeling and management of uncertainty. Topics include probabilistic uncertainty, belief theory and fuzzy set theory. Applications to computer vision, pattern recognition and expert systems. Graded on A-F basis only.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: ECE 4870 or ECE 7870 or CMP_SC 4770 or CMP_SC 7770 or instructor's consent

CMP_SC 8980: Research Masters Project in Computer Science
Investigation and research of a topic, not leading to a thesis. Graded on S/U basis only.
Credit Hour: 1-99
Prerequisites: departmental consent

CMP_SC 8990: Research-Masters Thesis Computer Science
Graded on S/U basis only.
Credit Hour: 1-99
Prerequisites: advisor's consent

CMP_SC 9990: Research-Doctoral Dissertation Computer Science
Graded on S/U basis only.
Credit Hour: 1-99
Prerequisites: advisor's consent