

# Computer Science

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## B.S., B.S./M.S. Degrees

Minimum Requirements for Degrees: B.S.: 120 credits;  
B.S./M.S.: 141 credits

Computer science is the study of information handling and its application to the problems of the world. Computing is widely used in support of science, engineering, business, law, medicine, education and the social sciences. The employment potential for computer science graduates is one of the highest of all majors in the College of Natural Science and Mathematics.

The B.S. and M.S. degrees follow the recommendations of the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) and the Institute for Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE). The B.S. degree is accredited by the Computing Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET).

The computer science undergraduate program introduces the fundamentals of computer programming, hardware and theory. It emphasizes the application of general principles to real-world problems. Mathematics and engineering play critical roles in the core. A solid background in fundamentals enables graduates to understand the uses of today's computers and to participate in future developments.

## Major—B.S. Degree

1. Complete the general university requirements. (See page 107. As part of the core curriculum requirements, complete: MATH 200X\* and any approved ethics course.)
2. Complete the B.S. degree requirements. (See page 114. As part of the B.S. degree requirements, complete: MATH 201X\*, PHYS 211X and PHYS 212X.)
3. Complete the following:\*  
MATH 307—Discrete Mathematics ..... 3  
STAT 300—Statistics ..... 3
4. Complete 1 of the following:\*  
MATH 302—Differential Equations ..... 3  
MATH 308W—Abstract Algebra ..... 3  
MATH 310—Numerical Analysis ..... 3  
MATH 314—Linear Algebra ..... 3  
MATH 371—Probability ..... 3  
MATH 408—Mathematical Statistics ..... 3  
MATH 460W,O—Mathematical Modeling ..... 3
5. Complete the following program (major) requirements:\*  
CS 201—Computer Science I ..... 3  
CS 202—Computer Science II ..... 3  
CS 301—Assembly Language Programming ..... 3  
CS 311—Data Structures and Algorithms ..... 3  
CS 321—Operating System ..... 3  
CS 331—Programming Languages ..... 3  
CS 402W,O—Senior Project and Professional Practice ..... 3  
CS 411—Analysis of Algorithms (3)  
or CS 451—Automata and Formal Languages (3) ..... 3  
CS 441—Systems Architecture (3)  
or EE 443—Computer Engineering (4) ..... 3-4  
CS 471W—Software Engineering ..... 3  
EE 341—Digital and Computer Analysis and Design ..... 4  
ENGL 314W,O/2—Technical Writing ..... 3  
Electives in computer science at the 300- or 400-level  
or approved electives (such as EE 443) ..... 9
6. Minimum credits required ..... 120

\* Student must earn a C grade or better in each course.

## Major—B.S./M.S. Degree

1. Complete the following admission requirements:
  - a. CS major (junior preferred) or senior standing.
  - b. GPA 3.25 or above based on a minimum of 24 credits. Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 to remain in the program.
  - c. GRE (general).
  - d. Study goal statement.
  - e. Submit a UAF graduate application for admission.
2. Complete the general university requirements. (See page 107. As part of the core curriculum requirements, complete: MATH 200X\* and any approved ethics course.)
3. Complete the B.S. degree requirements. (See page 114. As part of the B.S. degree requirements, complete: MATH 201X\*, PHYS 211X and PHYS 212X.)
4. Complete the following program (major) requirements:\*  
CS 201—Computer Science I ..... 3  
CS 202—Computer Science II ..... 3  
CS 301—Assembly Language Programming ..... 3  
CS 311—Data Structures and Algorithms ..... 3  
CS 321—Operating System ..... 3  
CS 331—Programming Languages ..... 3  
CS 402W,O—Senior Project and Professional Practice ..... 3  
CS 441—Systems Architecture ..... 3  
CS 471W—Software Engineering ..... 3  
EE 341—Digital and Computer Analysis and Design ..... 4  
ENGL 314W,O/2—Technical Writing ..... 3  
MATH elective at 300/400-level ..... 3  
MATH 307—Discrete Mathematics ..... 3  
STAT 300—Statistics ..... 3
5. Complete the following master core courses:  
CS 611—Complexity of Algorithms ..... 3  
CS 631—Programming Language Implementation ..... 3  
CS 641—Advanced Systems Architecture ..... 3  
CS 671—Advanced Software Engineering ..... 3  
CS 690—Graduate Seminar and Project ..... 3  
CS 691—Graduate Seminar and Project ..... 3  
CS upper-division/graduate level electives ..... 3  
CS graduate level electives ..... 6
6. Pass a written comprehensive exam in the areas of computer algorithms/theory/complexity, computer architecture, computer language, and software engineering.
7. Minimum credits required for both degrees ..... 141

\* Student must earn a C grade or better in each course required for the B.S. degree.

Note: For the master's degree, a student must earn an A or B grade in 400-level courses. The C grade will be accepted in 600-level courses provided a B grade point average is maintained.

Note: This degree program must be completed in seven years or the student will be disqualified from the program. If a student is disqualified, a B.S. in computer science will be awarded if: 1) completed in 10 years, and 2) meet the B.S. degree requirements for computer science with option substituting CS 411/451 with CS 611/651.

## Minor

1. Complete the following minor requirements:\*  
CS 201—Computer Science I ..... 3  
CS 202—Computer Science II ..... 3  
Three electives at the 300- or 400-level from CS, EE 341, MATH 310, MATH 460; or electives approved by a computer science advisor ..... 9
2. Minimum credits required ..... 15

\* Student must earn a grade of C or better in each course used to fulfill the minor requirements.

Note: Courses completed to satisfy this minor can be used to simultaneously satisfy other major or general distribution requirements.

Note: Page numbers refer to the UAF 2005-2006 academic catalog, which can be viewed online at [www.uaf.edu/catalog/](http://www.uaf.edu/catalog/).

## Baccalaureate Core Requirements

All degrees (e.g. B.A., B.S., etc.) require additional courses.  
Refer to specific degree and program requirements.

### COMMUNICATION (9)

**Complete the following:**

ENGL 111X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
*ENGL 190H may be substituted.*

**Complete one of the following:**

ENGL 211X OR ENGL 213X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_

**Complete one of the following:**

COMM 131X OR COMM 141X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_

### PERSPECTIVES ON THE HUMAN CONDITION (18)

**Complete all of the following four courses:**

ANTH 100X/SOC 100X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
ECON 100X OR PS 100X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
HIST 100X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
ENGL/FL 200X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_

**Complete one of the following three courses:**

ART/MUS/THR 200X, HUM 201X OR ANS 202X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_

**Complete one of the following six courses:**

BA 323X, COMM 300X, JUST 300X, NRM 303X,  
PS 300X OR PHIL 322X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_

**OR** complete 12 credits from the above courses **PLUS**

- two semester-length courses in a single Alaska Native language or other non-English language **OR**
- three semester-length courses (9 credits) in American Sign Language taken at the university level.

### MATHEMATICS (3)

**Complete one of the following:**

MATH 107X, MATH 161X OR MATH 103X ..... (3-4) \_\_\_\_\_  
*\* No credit may be earned for more than one of MATH 107X or 161X.*

**OR** complete one of the following\*:

MATH 200X, MATH 201X, MATH 202X,  
MATH 262X OR MATH 272X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
*\*Or any math course having one of these as a prerequisite*

### NATURAL SCIENCES (8)

**Complete any two (4-credit) courses:**

ATM 101X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL 100X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL 103X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL 104X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL 105X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL 106X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL 111X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL 112X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
CHEM 100X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
CHEM 103X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
CHEM 104X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
CHEM 105X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
CHEM 106X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
GEOG 205X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
GEOS 100X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
GEOS 101X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
GEOS 112X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
GEOS 120X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
GEOS 125X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
MSL 111X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS 102X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS 103X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS 104X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS 115X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS 116X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS 175X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS 211X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS 212X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS 213X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_

### LIBRARY AND INFORMATION RESEARCH (0-1)

Successful completion of library skills competency test **OR**  
LS 100X or 101X prior to junior standing ..... (0-1) \_\_\_\_\_

### UPPER-DIVISION WRITING AND ORAL COMMUNICATION (0)

**Complete the following:**

Two writing intensive courses designated (W) ..... (0) \_\_\_\_\_  
One oral communication intensive course designated (O) ..... (0) \_\_\_\_\_  
**OR** two oral communication intensive courses designated (O/2), at the upper-division level (see degree and/or major requirements) ..... (0) \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED** ..... **38-39**