New CS/SE Graduate Student Orientation

Department of Computer Science

ERIK JONSSON SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND
COMPUTER SCIENCE

Friday, April 15th, 2022

THE ORIENTATION BEGINS AT 8:30AM DALLAS, TX time
Agenda for Today

- Introduction – Dr. Jorge Cobb (Director of Graduate Student Services CS Dept)
- Welcome Note – Introduction by Dr. Ovidiu Daescu – Department Head
- CS Department Overview – Dr. Ovidiu Daescu
- Graduate Advisors Computer Science Program – Dr. Jorge Cobb
- MS CS/SE Degree Planning
- Areas of Study (Track)
  - Traditional Computer Science
  - Networks and Telecommunications
  - Intelligent Systems
  - Cyber Security
  - Systems
  - Data Science
  - Interactive Computing
- MS in Software Engineering Program
- GCS
- Q&A !!!
Dr. Ovidiu Daescu
Department Head
Computer Science
ECS and CS at UT Dallas

• UT Dallas
  – Founded in 1969 (celebrated 50th Anniversary)
  – 28,000+ students: CS the largest department with ~ 4,600 students.
  – https://www.utdallas.edu/about-us/

• CS @ UT Dallas
  – 1970s: Program founded as part of math sciences
  – 1986: Erik Jonsson School founded with CS + EE
  – Upper division BS CS started late 80s; Lower division in early 90s
  – Rapid growth in MS population in last decades
  – Significant growth in faculty and PhD population in the 2000s
  – Brand: producer of graduates with deep tech knowledge
Computer Science at UTD

• One of the largest departments in the country (3rd largest)  
  and, also one of the best
• Fall 2020 student population ~4,600 students (3,600 BS, 800 MS, 160 PhD)
• 51 T/T faculty, 40+ Faculty of Instruction, 20+ part-time lecturers
• BS, MS, PhD degrees offered in CS, SE, Data Science
• ~300 course-sections offered each semester (wide variety)
• ~1000 students graduate each year (more than 1% of US output of CS graduates)
• World renowned CS faculty: publish in top conferences & journals
• ~$9 Million in annual research expenditures (37th in USA)
• 21st in LinkedIn ranking; #44 in USNWR global rank; #5 in UG AI (Best Value Colleges)
• 2019 csrankings.org: #5 SE, #6 in NLP, #7 AI
#21 Nationally in LinkedIn Ranking

Rice University
Houston, Texas Area
35,300 students & alumni on LinkedIn
See more

University of Pennsylvania
Greater Philadelphia Area
125,200 students & alumni on LinkedIn
See more

University of Arizona
Tucson, Arizona Area
161,400 students & alumni on LinkedIn
See more

Harvey Mudd College
Greater Los Angeles Area
5,500 students & alumni on LinkedIn
See more

The University of Texas at Dallas
Dallas-Fort Worth Area
61,400 students & alumni on LinkedIn
See more
• Ranked #6 in NLP + AI (2009-2019)
• Ranked #5 in Software Engineering (2009-2019)
• Ranked #6 in Real Time Systems (2009-2019)
• Ranked #41 overall (2019-2020)

• Ranked #24 in Top Colleges Providing Cyber Security Programs

#5 in the nation for Undergraduate Education in AI (Best Value Colleges)
Just behind MIT, CMU, UC Berkeley, Georgia Tech
BS SE ranked #9 in the country by “Best Computer Science Schools”
Excellence in Research

• Wide variety of research areas covered:
  - Cyber Security
  - Computer Systems
  - Software Engineering
  - Intelligent Systems
  - Computer Science Theory
  - Computer Networking
  - Data Science

• Strategic areas of focus:
  - Machine Learning/AI, Data Sci., Cyber Sec., SW Engg, IoT & Software Defined Network (SDN)

• Focus on Interdisciplinary/Multidisciplinary research
  - Computer Systems: Medicine, Rehabilitation, Image Proc., Art & Tech.
  - Cyber Security: Mgmt and Math Sci (risk management), political sci.
  - Intelligent Systems: Medicine, Speech processing
CS Accomplishments

• 13+ CS faculty members hold the prestigious NSF CAREER award
• Numerous best paper awards & academic honors (many test-of-time awards as well):
  – Dr. Bhavani Thuraisingham, Fellow of the ACM and Fellow of NAI
  – Dr. Zygmunt Haas, Fellow of two European Societies
  – Dr. Kevin Hamlen set the Spaceflight Simulation Game world record
  – Dr. Murat Kantarcioglu, Fellow AAAS
• CS faculty are excellent teachers: they have won many awards
• Diverse student body:
  – #11 nationally in number of women students
  – #11 nationally in number of Hispanic students
  – #14 nationally in number of African American students
CS Department: Centers & Institutes

- Cyber Security Education & Research Institute (CSERI)
  (Director: Dr. Bhavani Thuraisingham)
- Human Language Technology Institute (HLTRI)
  (Director: Dr. Sanda Harabagiu)
- Inst. for Interactive & Spatial Computing (UT DIISC)
  (Director: Dr. Balakrishnan Prabhakaran)
- Institute for Data Analytics (IDA)
  (Director: Mr. Bao Tran)
- Net-centric Software Center
  (Director: Dr. Farokh Bastani)
- Center for Software Testing
  (Director: Dr. Eric Wong)
- h-STIP: Center for Software Technologies to Improve Performance
  (Director: Dr. Ovidiu Daescu)
- Center for Machine Learning Research
  (Director: Dr. Sriraam Natarajan)
- Applied AI Research Center
  (Director: Dr. Doug DeGroot)
- Center for CS Education and Outreach
  (Director: Dr. Jey Veerasamy)
Opportunities for CS/SE Graduates

Many of these jobs are right here in DFW!

Opportunities for CS/SE Graduates

Annual jobs available vs. degrees granted

- Computer Science
- Engineering
- Life Sciences (incl. agricultural)
- Social Sciences (incl. psychology)
- Physical Sciences (incl. environmental)
- Mathematical Sciences

- Annual jobs available
- Annual Bachelors degrees
- Annual Masters degrees
- Annual Doctoral degrees

BLS job projection data: http://www.bls.gov/emp/ind-occ-matrix/occupation.xlsx
S&E Indicators data: http://www.nsf.gov/statistics/2016/nsb20161/uploads/1/12/at02-01.xlsx
Opportunities for CS/SE Graduates

• From a manufacturing economy to an information economy
• More things become automated, more and more software engineers needed
• With the Web and Mobile Apps becoming more pervasive, more people needed to develop them
• AI, Machine Learning, Blockchain, IoT: new technologies gaining popularity
• This automation and pervasiveness of computing will continue to increase:

THE FUTURE FOR CS/SE IS BRIGHT

Great salaries: BS: $70K-$120K, MS: $80K-$150K, PhD: $90K-$200+K
“… the software industry is going to make more breakthroughs in these next 10 years than it's made in the last 30 … software is really going to transform not just what we think about as the computer industry, but the way that everything is done …”
Contacting the ISSO

Schedule an Appointment
Select an appointment type and select an available time slot to meet your advisor. Appointments are available up to a week in advance.

Send a Message in iComet
The ISSO offers advising services online through iComet. You can send a message to an advisor and receive a response through your iComet Portal.

Contact the ISSO
At ISSOProspective@utdallas.edu for advising services

Call ISSO
For general information, call the ISSO at 972-883-4189 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. The ISSO staff answering our phone lines are not immigration advisors.
GRADUATE DEGREE PLANNING SEMINAR
Fall 2022

Department of Computer Science
Erik Jonsson School of Engineering and Computer Science

The University of Texas at Dallas
Orientation/Degree Planning Seminar Overview

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  - MS in Software Engineering
- Annual Graduate Degree Planning Form submission
- Registration
Graduate Advisors

Prof. Jorge Cobb
Prof. Pushpa Kumar
Prof. Laurie Thompson
Prof. Tim Farage
The Erik Jonsson School of Engineering and Computer Science

COMPUTER SCIENCE DEPARTMENT
Graduate Advising Hours Fall 2022

• **Prof. Dr. Jorge Cobb**
  ECS 4.208  All PhD including PhD with MS
  All MS with Thesis
  All MS in IA track
  All MS in SE program
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• **Prof. Laurie Thompson**
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• **Prof. Dr. Pushpa Kumar**
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• **Prof. Tim Farage**
  ECS 3.609  CSMS S-Z
  tfarage@utdallas.edu

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COMPUTER SCIENCE DEPARTMENT
Graduate Advising Hours Spring 2022

• PhD, MS (All Thesis, FT, all IA track, all SE track)
  Advisor: Prof. Dr. Jorge Cobb  Mon  3:00pm–4:00pm
  Email: cobb@utdallas.edu  Wed  3:00pm–4:00pm

• MSCS Last Name starts with Letter A-K, except Thesis, IA or SE
  Advisor: Prof. L. Thompson  Mon  10:00am–3:00pm (Teams)
  Email: laurie.thompson@utdallas.edu  Tue/Thu  11:00am–2:00pm
  Wed  10:00am–3:00pm
  Fri  10:00am-2:00pm (Teams)

• MSCS Last Name starts with Letter L-R, except Thesis, IA or SE
  Advisor: Prof. Dr. P. Kumar  Tue/Thu  10:00am–11:30am (Teams)
  Email: pkumar@utdallas.edu  Wed  10:00am–3:00pm (Teams)

• MSCS Last name starts with Letter S-Z, except Thesis, IA or SE
  Advisor: Prof. T. Farage  Tue/Thu  2:00pm–5:00pm (Teams)
  Email: tfarage@utdallas.edu  Fri  12:00pm–4:00pm (Teams)

DO NOT TELEPHONE US!

1. Regulations prohibit useful discussion as we cannot ensure your identity when contacted by telephone.

2. Your phone call is likely to interrupt instruction or meetings with students or colleagues
Mrs. Emily Lenart-Donaldson  ECSS 3.905  972-883-4278  eldonaldson@utdallas.edu
CSMS A - M: except IA and Thesis
All SE track students except PhD and Thesis
All EMSE

Mr. Eric Moden  ECSS 3.908B  972-883-4705  eric.moden@utdallas.edu
CSMS N -Z: except SE and Thesis
All IA track students except PhD and Thesis

Mr. Doug Hyde  ECSS 4.801  972-883-6612  dhyde@utdallas.edu
All PhD, All MS Thesis, All PhD as MS

Ms. Kirsten Fowler  ECSS 3.904  972-883-4194  kirsten.fowler@utdallas.edu
Admissions Processor

Mr. Richard Klug  ECSS 3.906  972-883-2427  richard.klug@utdallas.edu
Admissions Processor

The staff members are NOT Graduate ADVISORS. For any questions on classes, choosing a degree plan.. etc, contact your Graduate Advisor.
Early registration for spring semester takes place in November and for the summer & fall starts in April; enrollment appointments are placed on your Orion account based on earned hours, and it is randomized. It’s your responsibility to check out the schedule online and register for classes online.

If you know the courses you wish to take and no leveling courses to take or holds on your account, you may Enroll online and can also contact the appropriate staff member for help with registration. They can also answer some of your general questions regarding course schedules, give out transfer/waiver forms, help with your graduation application or schedule appointments with a graduate advisor.

**Students are strongly recommended NOT to register in more than TWO CORE COURSES from any degree plan.**
Department of Computer Science  Graduate Degrees

- Master of Science in Computer Science (33 credit hours)
  - Traditional Computer Science
  - Networking and Telecommunications
  - Intelligent systems
  - Cyber Security
  - Systems track
  - Data Science
  - Interactive Computing

- Master of Science in Software Engineering (33 credit hours)

- Doctor of Philosophy (75 credit hours beyond B.S. degree) in
  - Computer Science
  - Software Engineering

- Offered jointly by CS and EE Departments
  - Computer Engineering & Telecommunications Engineering
Department of Computer Science MS Requirements

- Five Core Courses from one of the tracks
- Six approved electives; at least five must be at 6000 or higher level and one approved elective can be a 5000* or a 6000 level course.
- *(If a student chooses one of the 5000 level courses, then only one of the CS 5333 or CS 5343 or CS 5348 can be counted as an elective in all degree plans. Students should consult their graduate advisors to get approval for the 5000 level course)*
- All requirements including transfer credit must be completed in a six year window.

GPA requirements:

- Core GPA ≥ 3.19
- Elective GPA ≥ 3.00
- Overall GPA ≥ 3.00
Master of Science Degree Plan

- If core GPA is above 3.00 but below 3.19, a seventh elective is required in the degree plan.
- If core or elective GPA is below 3.00, one or more courses must be repeated. Any course can be repeated only once and a maximum of three courses can be repeated in a degree plan.
- If a student repeats a course, the new grade will replace the earlier grade; both will appear in the transcript.
- Please check the graduate catalog for all other policies and procedures.
  
  http://catalog.utdallas.edu/2021/graduate/home
Master of Science Degree Plan

➢ Fast Track Students:

➢ Courses Taken as Option A (Undergrad only) cannot be applied to your Masters program.

➢ Courses Taken as Option B (Fast Track) or C (Grad only)
  ➢ Are ALL treated as Transfer Credits*
  ➢ All course grades in Option B or C WILL affect your GPA*

➢ Fast Track Admits will have:
  ➢ assigned Advisors and MS DPEs by last name alpha, Track and/or Thesis option.

*Subject to new university policies
Admission Letter Sample

Dear,

Congratulations on your admission to the University of Texas at Dallas! The UT Dallas Committee on Graduate Studies congratulates you on your admission to the graduate program in Computer Science for the Fall 2008 semester. We share your excitement as you begin this new stage in your education. At UT Dallas, we promise you a welcoming environment, intellectual challenges, great faculty in your field of study, and a diverse and stimulating University family.

Please note that all required supporting documents must be received before you will be able to register for classes. You must contact the program to which you have been admitted, as each program has additional conditions that must be met before you can register. For contact information, please visit http://utdallas.edu/enroll/graduateadvisor.

We want to ensure that as a newly admitted student you are aware of the next steps you should complete to prepare for your enrollment at UT Dallas. For help with this process and to confirm your intention to enroll visit http://www.utdallas.edu/enroll/graduate. Should you need to defer your admission for any reason please contact the Associate Dean for the program to which you were admitted.

Your foreign tuition status has been determined based on the information that you provided on your admission application. If you have any questions regarding your residency status, please contact the program to which you have been admitted for more information.

The graduate experience at UT Dallas is unique and exceptional. Our faculty and staff look forward to welcoming you to campus.

Sincerely,

Dean of the Erik Jonsson School of Engineering and Computer Science

To contact the School of Engineering and Computer Science, please call 972-883-2074. You may also find important information on our website at http://www.ecs.utdallas.edu.

cc: file: ECS CS P
Admission Requirements

- Your official admissions letter may state any required leveling courses recommended by the admissions committee.

- In case you have not seen your leveling courses assigned to you or missed it in your emails, contact a staff member.

- You are responsible for any leveling course required for your Degree Plan (track) and also for any course you choose.
Admission Requirements

- Students from Non CS/Related backgrounds **MUST** complete the following **MINIMUM** leveling courses:
  - CS5303 (Computer Programming)
  - CS 5330 (Computer Architecture)
  - CS 5333 (Discrete Structures),
  - CS 5343 (Data Structures & Algorithm Analysis) and
  - CS 5348 (Operating Systems).

- You must **COMPLETE** your assigned 5000 level courses applicable to your degree plan in the first year of study.
Admission Requirements

- If a 5000 level course is not offered, or if you have a scheduling conflict, a graduate advisor may approve the undergraduate equivalent course.
  - The undergraduate course grade is not computed towards your graduate GPA.
- Supported students must take 9 graduate hours.
- All leveling courses in your degree plan must be completed at the time of CPT assignment.
If you are choosing CybSecurity or SE (Eric) degree plan, you must complete the required core and elective courses in the first three semesters. Otherwise, you may not graduate on time.

These two degree plans require some careful planning and selection of courses each semester.

A general recommendation for all the students is to complete the core courses in your track in the first three semesters.

Do not leave any core course to be completed in the graduating semester and specially summer semester.
Core Courses

- Students planning to pursue PhD program in the near future should enroll in the QE sections and sign up for the Qualifying exam to strengthen their application.

- PhD students should enroll in QE sections of the core courses even if the QE sequence is completed.

- Department awards Certificate of excellence in academics to those students who maintain 3.9* or higher GPA.

*may change depending on the semester
Grading System

• Letter grades A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C and F are used in grading graduate courses.

• GPA representation for the grades are as follows;

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* Please note B- is less than 3.00
• All Important deadlines and dates are kept current in the Academic Calendar online.
  – It is important that you review and know these dates (each semester):
    • Enrollment
    • Payment
    • Final Defense
    • Graduation
  • The dates update constantly.
  • Confirm the date ONLINE not on paper.
Enrolling, Dropping or Swapping

- The Last day to add/Swap Courses is August 29th.

- **DO NOT** drop classes online.

- For any Add, Drop or Swap please meet with a CSGS Advisor.
Sample Academic Calendar

Official Academic Calendar Fall 2022

Notes: All offices are closed on Saturdays and Sundays. All transactions must occur online. All email correspondence will be sent to UTD email address.

Classes Begin
Full-term session: Monday, August 22
1st 8-week session: Monday, August 22
2nd 8-week session: Monday, October 17

Web Registration
Enrollment appointments available online: Monday, Mar. 20
Check their enrollment appointment details or the course for the date and time they can begin registering.

Schools’ Roster Available: Monday, Mar. 20
Online enrollment ends: Monday, August 29

Last Day for Re-admission/Re-entry: Friday, Aug. 12

Last Day for Regular Registration
Full-term session: Thursday, August 18
1st 8-week session: Thursday, August 18
2nd 8-week session: Thursday, October 13

Late Registration and last day to Add/swap:
If you register or add/swap a registration, payment in full is due on the same day you register. You will be assessed a minimum of $200 late registration fee. See Banner’s Office information.

Full-term session: Friday, Aug. 18 – Monday, Aug. 22
1st 8-week session: Friday, Aug. 18 – Monday, Aug. 22
2nd 8-week session: Friday, Oct. 14 – Monday, Oct. 24

Census Day (Data Reporting Date)
Full-term session: Wednesday, September 7
1st 8-week session: Monday, August 22
2nd 8-week session: Monday, October 24

Drop/Withdrawal Deadlines
Please check current calendar for specific deadlines.

Full-term Session
Last day to drop a class without a W: Wed. Sept. 7
Undergraduate Classes
W, D, S
Withdrawal Grade: Tues., Nov. 1

1st 8-week Session
Last day to drop a class without a W: Mon., Aug. 29
Undergraduate Classes
Approval required: Tues., Aug. 30, Wed. Sept. 7
W, D, S
Graduate Classes
Withdrawal Grade: Tues., Nov. 1

2nd 8-week Session
Last day to drop a class without a W: Mon., Oct. 24
Approval required: Tues., Oct. 25, Wed. Nov. 4
W, D, S
Approval required: Tues., Nov. 19, Wed. Dec. 7
Graduate Classes
Withdrawal Grade: Thurs., Nov. 24

Last Day of Classes (plus including final exams)
Full-term session: Thursday, December 8
1st 8-week session: Thursday, October 17
2nd 8-week session: Thursday, December 8

Reading Days (Study days prior to final exams)
1st 8-week session: Saturday, Oct. 15 – Sunday, Oct. 16
2nd 8-week session: Saturday, Dec. 10 – Sunday, Dec. 11

Final Exams
1st 8-week session: Saturday, Dec. 17 – Friday, Dec. 23
2nd 8-week session: Saturday, Dec. 17 – Friday, Dec. 23

Mid-Term Grades Due and Viewable Online
All mid-terms grades must be submitted online.
Midterm undergraduate courses only: Monday, October 18

Final Grading Period
All grades will be recorded by Friday, December 30.
Viewable online after grading begins Monday, Dec. 19
Finals sessions: Tuesday, Dec. 20 – Thursday, December 22
1st 8-week session: Monday, Dec. 19 – Friday, Dec. 23
2nd 8-week session: Saturday, Dec. 24 – Tuesday, December 27

Graduation/Commencement (All Fall 2022 Sessions)
Last day change primary name or request personalized name: TBA
Commencement Activities: Monday, Dec. 19 – Thursday, Dec. 22
Commencement tickets & GradFaves available: Tuesday, Nov. 3
Doctoral hooding ceremony: TBA
Degree conferral date: Saturday, December 24

The following deadlines must be met by the dates listed and require submission to the Office of Undergraduate Education (ODE) website gradcheck.uta.edu:

Last day to request following of final oral examination: TBA
Last day to request:
Final day to complete final version of dissertation or thesis by 11:59 p.m. TBA
Final day to receive approval of final version of dissertation by ODE: TBA
Final day to upload final version of master’s thesis for review by ODE: TBA
Version of master’s thesis by 11:59 p.m. TBA

University Closings
Labor Day: Monday, September 5
Thanksgiving holiday: Thursday, Nov. 24 – Sunday, Nov. 27
Winter break: Monday, Dec. 19 – Monday, Jan. 2
New Year’s Day: Monday, Jan. 2

Incomplete
Incomplete grades due for undergraduates and graduates from previous long semester: Monday, October 17
To take a CS 6000 level graduate course:

- Have a transcript showing that you have completed the leveling courses in your undergraduate work.
- Petition the Graduate Advisor for approval to enroll in the CS 6000 level course.
- **PLS NOTE THE LEVELING COURSE WILL NOT BE WAIVED TODAY BY ANY ADVISOR.**
- **YOU MUST APPLY SEPARATELY IN SEPTEMBER TO WAIVE YOUR LEVELING COURSES.**
- Refer to the UTD Graduate Catalog for Leveling courses.
Transfer/Waiver of Courses

- Transfer/Waiver seminars are scheduled in the second month of each long semester. The tentative Fall semester seminar dates are:
  - September 3rd week
  - September 23rd from 8:30am – 9:30am.
  - Date and time will be announced late August.
  - Due date of T/W applications is 4pm on Friday, October 7th.
The completed applications must be placed in a box available in the Lobby of Graduate Studies Student Services Suite ECSS 3.908 or Emailed to eric.moden@utdallas.edu
Transfer/Waiver of Courses

- Students from Non CS/Related backgrounds **MUST** complete the following **MINIMUM** leveling courses:
  - CS 5330 (Computer Architecture)
  - CS 5333 (Discrete Structures),
  - CS 5343 (Data Structures & Algorithm Analysis) and
  - CS 5348 (Operating Systems).

- The above leveling courses generally will not be waived for the students from Non CS/Related backgrounds.

- Students who plan to waive leveling courses and/or transfer graduate courses are strongly suggested to visit with program/advising office to check for eligibility.

- Students who are not qualified to apply for waivers must take the leveling courses.
Tentative Degree Plan of Study

- Select your area of Computer Science Concentration:
  - Traditional Computer Science
  - Networks and Telecommunications
  - Intelligent Systems
  - Cyber Security
  - Systems Track
  - Data Science
  - Interactive Computing
  - Software Engineering *(Must be SE_MS or SE_DR program)*

- Leveling Courses
  - Cross out any not listed in your Admission Letter

- Complete Core, Elective, and Leveling Courses courses
  - Enter the course name, number, grade, and semester
    - 22F = Fall 2022
    - 23S = Spring 2023
    - 23U = Summer 2023
Review of Tentative Degree Plan of Study

- Review your Grade Point Average (GPA) in:
  - Core Courses
    - (need 3.19 over the five graduate courses)
  - Elective 6000 level courses
    - (need 3.00 over all)
  - Overall 3.00 or better GPA in UTD Graduate courses
  - Complete any Leveling Courses required by track.

- Submit your AOP to your Graduate Studies Staff member by the first week of October. This is a University requirement.
  - Otherwise, you will have a degree plan hold.

- Review your Tentative Degree Plan with a Graduate Advisor.
Repeat this process at least once every academic year or when changing your track.

Plan your graduation by discussing the degree plan with an advisor. **Must visit with an advisor one semester prior to Graduation.**

CS department offers each core course at least once every academic year.
- Students should plan their schedule carefully.
# Computer Science Degree Plan

## DEGREE PLAN

**UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT DALLAS**  
**MASTER OF COMPUTER SCIENCE**

### COMPUTER SCIENCE DEGREE PLAN

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* May include any 6000 or 7000 level CS course without prior permission

**Academic Advisor:**  
**Date Submitted:** ___ / ___ / ___

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**Department of Computer Science**  
**Jonsson School of Engineering and Computer Science**
### Core Courses - Traditional

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Must also complete 2 CyS approved Electives.

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### Core Courses - Intelligent Systems

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# Interactive Computing Plan

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# Systems Degree Plan

## Core Courses – Systems

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# Software Engineering Plan & Program

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<td>SE 6387</td>
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* Credit will be given for only one of the following courses if students take them together to satisfy Computer Science and Software Engineering degree plan requirements:
  - CS 6329 Object-Oriented Software Engineering, and
  - CS 6359 Object-Oriented Analysis and Design (cannot be used on SE degree plan)
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Students Seeking IA Certificate must start the process one semester (at the beginning) prior to graduating semester. After the degree plan audit with your advisor, you would ask your DPE to set you eligible to apply for the Certificate as well as your MS degree.

The Certificate must be applied for just as you applied for the MS or PhD program. Use the same application method and choose CSND_INASCERT.

Once admitted to the INASCERT program:

To get the certificate you must complete the following five courses with a Cumulative GPA of 3.2 or better

- CS 6324 Information Security
- CS 6348 Data and Application Security
- CS 6349 Network Security
- CS 6363 Design & Analysis of Computer Algorithms
- CS 6378 Advanced Operating Systems

The conferral date and program (INASCERT) will appear on your transcript.

This Certificate is endorsed by NSA
Students Seeking Cyber Ops Notation on transcript must start the process one semester (at the beginning) prior to graduating semester. After the degree plan audit with your advisor, you would send your request to your DPE for Cyber Op Notation.

**Requirement:** Must complete 6 core and 2 electives courses from the lists below:

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*ACCT 6336, CS 4397, and/or CS 4398 will not count as an elective in any CS/SE graduate degree plan.

If you complete the work as detailed above AND Apply to have it added; a note will be added to your transcript.

**This Note is endorsed by the NSA**
Policies and Procedures

Students:

- must have a signed acknowledgement of policies (AOP) in the file before end of first semester (October).
- must be in the correct Program 2 semesters before graduation.
- Changing from CS_MSCS to SE_MS or from SE_MS to CS_MSCS requires a New Application.
- Changing from CS_DR to SE_DR or from SE_DR to CS_DR requires a New Application.
- visit with an academic advisor annually for a degree plan audit and the SEMESTER prior to graduation for the grad audit.
- Choosing to miss more than a week of classes at the beginning of the semester may result in your being dropped or swapped into another course.
A Master of Science Thesis replaces two 6000 level electives (minimum of six credit hours)

The Master’s Thesis provides an opportunity for your initial research activities

The Master’s Thesis option is available in all areas of study in the Computer Science Program.

The Master’s Thesis is recommended for a graduate student who is considering further graduate studies towards a Doctor of Philosophy program.

We have one DPE for MS thesis…Doug Hyde
Once a student is enrolled in thesis, dissertation, or the third practicum, unless a leave of absence has been granted, that student must maintain continuous enrollment (not necessarily for thesis, dissertation, or practicum) of at least three semester hours during consecutive long semesters until the final approved copy of the manuscript has been deposited in the Office of the Dean of Graduate Studies.
Information for International Students

- Students participating in the Industrial Practice Program must enroll in a 1 credit hour course. This course cannot be used towards the graduation requirements. Students signing up for CPT must visit with a Graduate Advisor.

- The USCIS has determined that F1 students who are graduating may take only the courses required for graduation/course completion in their final semester.

- Students must get a new Sevis I-20 if they change majors or degree level. The new Sevis I-20 must be signed by the first day of class in the new academic program.

- For all questions regarding visa/OPT/reduced enrollment, please talk to the International Student Advisor at the ISSO.
As an F or J visa holder, the US Citizenship and Immigration Service requires that you make progress towards your degree to maintain your immigration status. Additionally, the federal regulation:

“If the student is not required to take any additional courses to satisfy the requirements for completion … the student is considered to have completed the course of study and must take action to maintain status. Such action may include application for OPT, application for change of status or departure from the U.S.”

Please be aware that postponing your graduation can negatively affect your immigration status now and in the future. Postponing graduation can be defined as any of the following:

- Taking any unnecessary classes
- Changing tracks within an academic program for the purpose of delaying graduation

Students with questions need to contact their International Student Advisor at the 972-883-4189 or in person at the ISSO, SSB 3.400

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Academic Integrity
The faculty expects from its students a high level of responsibility and academic honesty. As a general rule, scholastic dishonesty involves one of the following acts: cheating, plagiarism, collusion and/or falsifying academic records. Students suspected of academic dishonesty are subject to disciplinary proceedings. Plagiarism, especially from the web, from portions of papers for other classes, and from any other source is unacceptable and will be dealt with under the university’s policy on plagiarism (see general catalog for details).
Registration Process

• Early registration for Spring 2023 semester starts Nov. 2022.
• Early registration for Fall and Summer 2023 starts in April 2023.
• **Enrollment appointments are placed on your Orion account based on earned hours, and is randomized.**
  • It’s your responsibility to check out the schedule online and register in classes.
• If you don’t have any holds, you’ll be able to enroll in classes online. **We strongly recommend not to enroll in more than two core courses from any track.** Also, don’t enroll in three courses which are scheduled on same days.
• **Email:** The university encourages all official student email correspondence be sent only to a student’s U.T. Dallas email address and that faculty and staff consider email from students official only if it originates from a UTD student account.
Registration Process

• FERPA will not allow another student to represent you for enrollment. You should not accept another persons Enrollment sheet and represent them.

• Nothing can be done by PHONE… Please DO NOT call… Use UTD email for official business.

• Students who go on academic probation (< 3.0 GPA) can enroll in classes ONLY after grades are obtained for the currently enrolled semester and after a visit with a CS Graduate Studies Director.
Graduates of Computer Science

- Graduates of Computer Science (GCS) is a student body composed of graduate students that organizes various events for CS graduate students such as hackathons and seminars.

- All graduate students are free to reach out to us regarding any query that they have. We encourage you to join GCS and take part in its activities.

- Please check out our page on Facebook to know more about us. You can access the page using this QR code.
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