COMPUTER SCIENCES: PROFESSIONAL PROGRAM, MS

REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum degree requirements (https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#requirementstext) and policies (https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#policiestext), in addition to the program requirements listed below.

NAMED OPTION REQUIREMENTS
MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Face to Face	Evening/ Weekend	Online	Hybrid	Accelerated
Yes	No	No	No	No

Mode of Instruction Definitions
Accelerated: Accelerated programs are offered at a fast pace that condenses the time to completion. Students typically take enough credits aimed at completing the program in a year or two.

Evening/Weekend: Courses meet on the UW–Madison campus only in evenings and/or on weekends to accommodate typical business schedules. Students have the advantages of face-to-face courses with the flexibility to keep work and other life commitments.

Face-to-Face: Courses typically meet during weekdays on the UW-Madison Campus.

Hybrid: These programs combine face-to-face and online learning formats. Contact the program for more specific information.

Online: These programs are offered 100% online. Some programs may require an on-campus orientation or residency experience, but the courses will be facilitated in an online format.

CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

Requirement	Detail
Minimum Credit Requirement	30 credits
Minimum Residence Credit Requirement	16 credits
Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement	15 credits must be graduate-level coursework. Refer to the Graduate School: Minimum Graduate Coursework (50%) Requirement policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/).

Overall Graduate GPA Requirement	3.00 GPA required. Refer to the Graduate School: Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirement policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203/).
Other Grade Requirements	No other grade requirements.
Assessments and Examinations	None.
Language Requirements	No language requirements.

REQUIRED COURSES
To obtain the MS degree, students in the Computer Sciences: Professional Master's Program (PMP) must complete a minimum of 30 credits distributed as follows:

- Fifteen credits must be received for core graduate-level courses: Computer Sciences (COMP SCI (https://guide.wisc.edu/courses/comp_sci/)) courses numbered 700-889. Students in the program who enroll in instances of COMP SCI 838, COMP SCI 839, or COMP SCI 880 must verify with the Professional Program Committee that the courses will satisfy program credit requirements.
- COMP SCI 799 Master's Research, COMP SCI 790 Master's Thesis (in case the student elects to write a Master's thesis), and COMP SCI 702 Graduate Cooperative Education can be taken for a combined total of at most six credits for the degree, and may only count in the 15 core credit requirement. COMP SCI 799, COMP SCI 790, and COMP SCI 702 courses taken beyond six credits do not count towards the required degree credits. COMP SCI 702 can be taken a total of two times.
- All remaining credits must be received for Computer Sciences (COMP SCI (https://guide.wisc.edu/courses/comp_sci/)) courses numbered 400 or higher.
- COMP SCI 900 Advanced Seminar in Computer Science can be taken for a total of at most three credits and counts toward the remaining credits received for Computer Sciences (COMP SCI (https://guide.wisc.edu/courses/comp_sci/)) courses numbered 400 or higher.
- COMP SCI/B M E/B M I/BIOCHEM/CBE/GENETICS 915 Computation and Informatics in Biology and Medicine may be taken but does not count toward program requirements.
- COMP SCI 699 does not count toward program requirements. Students in the program are expected to enroll in COMP SCI 799 for research credits, if desired.

Students in this program may not take courses outside the prescribed curriculum without faculty advisor and program director approval. Students in this program cannot enroll concurrently in other undergraduate or graduate degree programs.