The Professional Capstone Certificate Program (PCP) offered by the University of Wisconsin–Madison Department of Computer Sciences is designed for students who want to learn the fundamentals of computer science. Students use this capstone certificate to gain programming skills to transfer into more technical positions, for promotion, or as a way to prepare for graduate programs. Depending on the student’s background, the program can be completed in four to six semesters. A few courses are offered off-campus during evening hours each semester.

After completing the capstone certificate, students may be interested in other professional master’s degree programs (https://www.cs.wisc.edu/our-graduate-degrees-programs/).

Details about the program can be found on the Department of Computer Sciences website, (https://www.cs.wisc.edu/graduate/pcp-program-details/) or by contacting the PCP coordinator at pcp-admissions@cs.wisc.edu. Information about tuition and other costs is available on the Professional Degrees and Certificates website (https://pdc.wisc.edu/capstone-certificates/computer-sciences-certificate/).