

# DATA SCIENCE, B.S. TO BIOINFORMATICS AND COMPUTATIONAL BIOLOGY, M.S. ACCELERATED PROGRAM

Saint Louis University's data science, B.S. to bioinformatics and computational biology, M.S. accelerated program allows a student to complete both the Bachelor of Science in Data Science and the Master of Science in Bioinformatics and Computational Biology in a shorter time period than if both degrees were pursued independently.

For additional information, see the catalog entries for the following programs:

Data Science, B.S. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary/data-science-bs/>)

Bioinformatics and Computational Biology, M.S. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/science-engineering/computer-science/bioinformatics-computational-biology-ms/>)

## Requirements

Students who want to apply to this accelerated program should have completed all 2000-level coursework required of the data science bachelor's program and have completed at least 75 credits at the time of application.

At the time of application, students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.00 and a GPA of at least 3.00 in their computer science coursework. Contact the graduate coordinator for more details.

## Non-Course Requirements

All School of Science and Engineering B.A. and B.S. students must complete an exit interview/survey near the end of their bachelor's program.

## Continuation Standards

Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 3.00 and a GPA of at least 3.00 in their computer science coursework.

Students who drop below that GPA while in the accelerated program will be placed on a one-semester probationary period before being dismissed from the accelerated program.

Only grades of "B" or better in the graduate courses taken while an undergraduate can be applied to the master's degree.

## Roadmap

This roadmap is just one example of a semester-by-semester plan of study for this program. There are other plans students can and do take. The plan of study for each particular student is established in consultation with each student's academic advisor; *this roadmap does not replace academic advising appointments.*

Roadmap notes:

- This Roadmap assumes full-time enrollment unless otherwise noted.
- Courses/Milestones marked with an "!" are critical and must be completed in the semester listed in the Roadmap to ensure a timely graduation.
- Course availability and sequencing are subject to change.

Course	Title	Credits
<b>Year One</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
! CSCI 10xx (p. 2)	Introduction to Computer Science †	3
MATH 1660	Discrete Mathematics	3
University Core and/or General Electives		9
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
CSCI 1300	Introduction to Object-Oriented Programming	4
MATH 1510	Calculus I	4
University Core and/or General Electives		6
<b>Credits</b>		<b>14</b>
<b>Year Two</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
CSCI 2100	Data Structures	4
MATH 1520	Calculus II	4
University Core and/or General Electives		9
<b>Credits</b>		<b>17</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
CSCI 2300	Object-Oriented Software Design	3
CSCI 2500	Computer Organization and Systems	3
University Core and/or General Electives		9
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Year Three</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
CSCI 2510	Principles of Computing Systems	3
Additional Mathematics (2000+)		3
University Core and/or General Electives		9
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
! Application Course (p. 2)		3
! Theory Course (p. 2)		3
PHIL 3050X	Computer Ethics	3
University Core and/or General Electives		6
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Year Four</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
CSCI 4961	Capstone Project I	2
CSCI 5090	Computer Science Colloquium	1
CSCI 51##	CSCI Elective	3
University Core and/or General Electives		9
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
CSCI 4962	Capstone Project II	2
CSCI 51xx	CSCI Elective	3

University Core and/or General Electives		9
<b>Credits</b>		<b>14</b>
<b>Year Five</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
CSCI 5030	Principles of Software Development	3
CSCI 5050	Computing and Society	3
CSCI 5090	Computer Science Colloquium	1
Theory Elective (p. 2)	Theory courses numbered CSCI5100-5199	3
Software Engineering Elective	Software Engineering courses numbered CSCI5300-5399	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>13</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
CSCI 5090	Computer Science Colloquium	1
CSCI Systems Elective	Systems courses numbered CSCI5500-5599	3
Graduate Elective (p. 2)		3
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Graduate Elective (p. 2)		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>13</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>146</b>

## Introduction to Computer Science

Code	Title	Credits
CSCI 1010	Introduction to Computer Science: Principles	
CSCI 1020	Introduction to Computer Science: Bioinformatics	
CSCI 1025	Introduction to Computer Science: Cybersecurity	
CSCI 1030	Introduction to Computer Science: Game Design	
CSCI 1040	Introduction to Computer Science: Mobile Computing	
CSCI 1050	Introduction to Computer Science: Multimedia	
CSCI 1060	Introduction to Computer Science: Scientific Programming	
CSCI 1070	Introduction to Computer Science: Taming Big Data	
CSCI 1080	Introduction to Computer Science: World Wide Web	
CSCI 1090	Introduction to Computer Science: Special Topics	

With permission, a computing-intensive course from another discipline may be substituted as long as it is not already fulfilling another requirement. Examples of such courses include:

BME 2000	Biomedical Engineering Computing
CVNG 1500	Civil Engineering Computing
STAT 3850	Foundation of Statistics

## Applied Systems

Code	Title	Credits
CSCI 4500	Operating Systems	
CSCI 4530	Computer Security	
CSCI 4550	Computer Networks	
CSCI 4610	Concurrent and Parallel Programming	
CSCI 4620	Distributed Computing	

## Theory Courses

Code	Title	Credits
CSCI 3100	Algorithms	
CSCI 3200	Programming Languages	

## Graduate Electives

The general requirements must include a course from at least two of the following categories:

- CSCI 5200-5299 (Language/Compilers courses)
- CSCI 5600-5699 (Large Scale Systems courses)
- CSCI 5700-5799 (Knowledge Systems)
- CSCI 5800-5899 or BCB 5200/5250 (Advanced Applications)

## Program Notes

CSCI 5050 Computing and Society (3 cr) requirement will be waived for students who took Computer Ethics as an undergraduate. These hours would become an additional graduate elective.

## Thesis Option

A master's thesis is optional. Students completing a thesis should take six credits of CSCI 5990 Thesis Research (0-6 cr) as part of the elective requirements.

## Internship with Industry

Students may apply at most three credits of CSCI 5910 Internship with Industry (1-3 cr) toward the degree requirements.

## Closely Related Disciplines

With approval, students may include up to six credits of elective graduate coursework in closely related disciplines (e.g., mathematics and statistics, bioinformatics and computational biology, electrical and computer engineering).