

Eligibility for Admission

1. Completion of each of the following core CS courses with a C or better.

- CS 162 Intro to Computer Science (4)
- CS 163 Data Structures (4)
- CS 201 Computer Systems Programming (4)
- CS 202 Programming Systems (4)
- CS 250 Discrete Structures I (4)
- CS 251 Discrete Structures II (4)

Repeated Classes

- The grades from all attempts at CS162, CS163, CS 201, CS 202, CS 250, and CS251 are included in the cumulative grade point calculation used for admission purposes (All Attempts Admissions GPA). Grades of P, X and W are not included in the All Attempts Admissions GPA Computation for 2019-2020.

2. Completion of each of the following Non-CS courses with a grade of C- or better

- MTH 251
- MTH 252
- First two terms of an Approved 3-term Lab Science Sequence

3. Completion of the Freshman Inquiry; or WR 121 and COMM 220 (for students transferring 30 or more credits to PSU).

4. Successful completion of the CS Transfer Programming Proficiency Demo

- As part of their application to the CS program, all students must satisfactorily complete a [programming proficiency demonstration](#).
- Students who have not taken CS202 at PSU will be sent a link to sign up for the proficiency demo upon submission and review of their CS application during the appropriate deadline.
- Proficiency Demo Dates:
 - Fall 2019 Admission – April 27, 2019
 - Winter 2020 Admission – October 26, 2019

Competitive Admission

Admission is competitive and enrollment is limited by resources. Students eligible for admission with an All Attempts Admission GPA of 3.0 or higher are guaranteed admission. Based on the number of remaining slots, the CS Undergraduate Committee will select additional students from the remaining pool of admission-eligible students.

Students transferring courses to PSU from other institutions are responsible for ensuring their grades are transferred to PSU by July 19. Students whose grades are transferred after July 19th will be considered for any remaining openings. Courses completed after Spring term will not be considered.

Students with CS courses in progress at the time of application may be admitted conditionally. Final decisions for conditional admits will be communicated to students by July 31.

Students denied admission to the CS program may submit a written appeal using the official CS Appeals Form to the CS Appeals Committee. All decisions are final.

Continuation Criteria

Admitted CS undergraduate students who are not making acceptable progress towards their degree requirements will be dropped from the program and required to reapply for admission. Acceptable progress is defined as completion of at least 8 credits of coursework with acceptable grades (C or better for required CS courses, C- or better for required non-CS courses) satisfying departmental requirements, over the preceding 12 months.

Prerequisite Policy

Before enrolling in any Computer Science course, students should read the course description and ensure that they have completed all prerequisites with a grade of C or better. Students who have not met this requirement may be administratively dropped from the course.

Differential Tuition Policy

Undergraduates admitted to the CS program will be assessed tuition at the Undergraduate Engineering rate (see "Differential Programs-Undergraduate" in the PSU fee schedule). Post Baccalaureate Students will be assessed tuition at either the Undergraduate or the Graduate Engineering rate, depending upon the level of course taken.

The following courses must be completed prior to admission to the CS program:

Computer Science courses must be completed with a C or better:

Required Computer Science Courses	Year/Term	School	All Grades for this Course
CS162 Introduction to Computer Science (4)			
CS163 Data Structures (4)			
CS201 Computer Systems Programming (4)			
CS202 Programming Systems (4)			
CS250 Discrete Structures I (4)			
CS251 Discrete Structures II (4)			

Non-Computer Science courses must be completed with a C- or better:

Required Non-Computer Science Courses	Year/Term	School	Grade
Mth251 Calculus I (4)			
Mth252 Calculus II (4)			
Approved Lab Science (5)*			
Approved Lab Science (5)*			

Students admitted to PSU with 29 or fewer credits ONLY:

Required Non-Computer Science Courses	Year/Term	School	Grade
Freshman Inquiry (5)			
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Students admitted to PSU with 30 or more credits ONLY:

Required Non-Computer Science Courses	Year/Term	School	Grade
WR 121 College Writing (4)			
COMM220 Public Speaking (4)			

***Approved Lab Science.** One of the following 15 credit *sequences*, including their associated laboratories: Ph 211, 212, 213 with 214, 215, 216 (General Physics w/Calculus and Lab); Ch 221, 222, 223 with Ch 227, 228, 229 (General Chemistry and Lab); or Bi 211, 212, 213 (Principles of Biology with integrated Lab).

To the best of my knowledge, all the information provided on this application is complete and correct. I understand that falsification may result in the denial or revocation of my application.

Signature _____ Date _____

By applying to the Computer Science program, you affirm that you meet these requirements. Bring this signed application and a copy of your recent **DARS report** to the front desk or a staff member of the Computer Science Department in **FAB 120**.