Computer Science

CSC 108  Introduction to Programming 2 cr
Problem-solving and pre-programming skills developed using hands-on activities in preparation for the introductory programming course.
Pre-requisite: MA 112 Minimum Grade of C or ACT Math 22 or MyMathTest 070.

CSC 120  Prob Solv and Prog Concepts 4 cr
An introduction to the design of algorithms and their implementation in a high-level programming language.
Topics include: problem solving strategies, programming concepts, programming environment, control structures, methods, arrays, searching, sorting, object-oriented programming, and file input/output.
Pre-requisite: (MA 113 Minimum Grade of C or MA 172 Minimum Grade of C) or (MA 115 Minimum Grade of C or MA 121 Minimum Grade of C) or (MA 125 Minimum Grade of C or MA 132 Minimum Grade of C) or ACT Math 27 or MyMathTest 090.

CSC 121  Prob Solv and Prog Concepts II 4 cr
Continuation of CSC 120. Topics include: object-oriented programming concepts, abstract data types, graphical user interfaces and event-driven programming, exception handling, text and binary file I/O, and an overview of dynamic data structures.
Pre-requisite: CSC 120 Minimum Grade of C or CIS 120 Minimum Grade of C.

CSC 190  CSC Special Topics - 1 cr
Selected topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of the CSC coordinator.

CSC 228  Digital Logic Computer Arch 3 cr
Topics include: Boolean algebra, minimization techniques, combinational and sequential circuit analysis, memory organization, microprocessor concepts, and CPU architecture.
Pre-requisite: CSC 120 Minimum Grade of C.

CSC 230  Computer Org-Architect 3 cr
An introduction to computer organization using a top down approach from system component to the register level, internal representation of data, general assembly and linking concepts, addressing modes, and introduction to a specific processor, its architecture and operating system.
Pre-requisite: CSC 228 Minimum Grade of C and CSC 230 Minimum Grade of C or CSC 231 Minimum Grade of C.

CSC 231  Operating Systems 3 cr
This course covers the development of operating systems that control computing systems. Topics include: file systems, process management, scheduling, memory management (real and virtual), security, and concurrency. Case studies of operating systems are examined.
Pre-requisite: CSC 231 Minimum Grade of C.

CSC 322  Database Concepts 3 cr
Introduction to database design and implementation. Aspects of data modeling, database design theory, storage, indexing, and database application development. Entity-relationship model, relational data model, schema refinement, normal forms, file organizations, index structures, and embedded SQL application development.
Pre-requisite: CSC 231 Minimum Grade of C.

CSC 331  Software Engineering Prin - W 3 cr
Models, techniques, and tools used in project management. Topics include: software development process, task scheduling, estimation and progress measurement. Coordination of development teams. Standards, testing plans, configuration management, metrics and use of CASE tools, system delivery and maintenance strategies.
Pre-requisite: ( (CSC 231 Minimum Grade of C or CSC 230 Minimum Grade of C or CIS 230 Minimum Grade of C) ) and MA 275 Minimum Grade of C. CA 275 Minimum Grade of C. CA 275 can be taken concurrently with this course.

CSC 332  Adv Data Structures and Algs 3 cr
Techniques for the design and analysis of efficient algorithms, emphasizing methods useful in practice. Topics covered include: mathematical foundations; all five asymptotic notations; analytic, empirical, and qualitative evaluation techniques; sorting algorithms; balanced trees (2-3-4 trees and red-black trees); dynamic programming; and NP-completeness.
Pre-requisite: CSC 231 and MA 267.

CSC 333  Prog Language Theory 3 cr
Formal examination of programming languages. Formal Language concepts including syntax and basic grammars are studied. Language features such as data types and structures, control structures, and data flow are examined. The run-time environment and the process of interpretation/compilation are covered. Interpreter and compilation techniques are introduced.
Pre-requisite: CSC 331 Minimum Grade of C.
CSC 399  Conc and Distributed Comp  3 cr
This course focuses on security issues in concurrent and distributed systems. Security features in the current advent of cloud computing are vital. Example topics include secure multi-threading, agent-based security, security policy composition, secure compartmentalization and more. Pre-requisite: CSC 311 Minimum Grade of C and CSC 322 Minimum Grade of C.

CSC 410  Compiler Design-Construction  3 cr
Lexical analysis, syntactic analysis, intermediate code generation, object code generation, optimization, memory use, generators for scanners and parsers. Pre-requisite: CSC 332 Minimum Grade of C and CSC 333 Minimum Grade of C and CSC 320 Minimum Grade of C or EE 264 Minimum Grade of C.

CSC 411  Comm - Network Analysis  3 cr
Data communications and computer networks. An in-depth treatment of network architectures and protocols for both WANS and LANS. Topics include: network routing and flow algorithms, internet working, and distributed systems. Pre-requisite: CSC 311 Minimum Grade of C and (CSC 322 Minimum Grade of C or CIS 322 Minimum Grade of C).

CSC 412  Real-Time Software Systems  3 cr
Design and implementation of software for real-time computer systems. Survey of typical real-time systems; techniques for code-conversion, error checking, and transmission monitoring. Pre-requisite: CSC 311 Minimum Grade of C and CSC 322 Minimum Grade of C and CSC 332 Minimum Grade of C. CSC 322 can be taken concurrently with this course.

CSC 413  Computer Graphics  3 cr
An in-depth study of hardware and software techniques used in computer graphics. Study of display and entry devices, including refresh, storage, and raster scan topics. Software techniques will include display files, windowing, clipping, two and three-dimensional transformations, and hidden-surface removal. Pre-requisite: (CSC 231 Minimum Grade of C) and (MA 237 Minimum Grade of C or MA 227 Minimum Grade of C).

CSC 414  Modeling and Simulation  3 cr
Analytic and simulation models developed using deterministic and stochastic techniques. Topics include: event-driven simulations, queuing theory, Markov processes, and dynamical systems. "Real World" project required. Pre-requisite: (CSC 230 Minimum Grade of C or CIS 230 Minimum Grade of C) and (MA 126 Minimum Grade of C or MA 233 Minimum Grade of C) and (ST 310 Minimum Grade of C or ST 275 Minimum Grade of C or ST 315 Minimum Grade of C or ST 320 Minimum Grade of C).

CSC 415  Numerical Analysis  3 cr
Mathematical preliminaries, solving linear systems numerical solution of ordinary and partial differential equations. Pre-requisite: (CSC 230 Minimum Grade of C or CIS 230 Minimum Grade of C) and (MA 126 Minimum Grade of C or MA 233 Minimum Grade of C).

CSC 416  AI Theory and Programming  3 cr
Introduction to basic concepts, implementation techniques, and philosophies of artificial intelligence and intelligent systems. Introduction to expert systems, fuzzy logic systems, neural networks, and techniques for artificial intelligence programming. The fundamentals of an AI programming language (LISP or PROLOG) will be presented. The language will then be used to solve problems in typical AI applications. Pre-requisite: CSC 332 Minimum Grade of C or CSC 230 Minimum Grade of C or CIS 230 Minimum Grade of C.

CSC 417  Computer Game Development  3 cr
Introduction to computer game development, including a variety of related topics. The course will be driven by research/technical paper discussions, student presentations and projects. The direction of the course will be guided to some extent by student interest. Pre-requisite: CSC 331 Minimum Grade of C or EE 368 Minimum Grade of C.

CSC 418  Adv Game & Simulation Dev  3 cr
This course will cover advance topics related to the development of game and simulation software. Topics include game physics, collision techniques, game mechanics, level design, artificial intelligence, and security. Students will design and implement a game or simulation program that includes elements of artificial intelligence. Pre-requisite: CSC 417 Minimum Grade of C.

CSC 426  Data Mining  3 cr
This course provides an in-depth study of data mining. Course content includes data preparation, feature selection, pattern mining, classification, clustering, and sequence mining. New research areas in data mining will also be discussed. Pre-requisite: CSC 332 Minimum Grade of C.

CSC 428  Introduction to Bioinformatics  3 cr
Students in this course will study algorithms pertaining to bioinformatics (e.g. sequence alignment, biological database search, and phylogeny reconstruction); gain hands-on experience using bioinformatics tools; and understand the interaction of computer science and modern biology within the context of data-driven knowledge discovery. Pre-requisite: CSC 230 Minimum Grade of C.
CSC 433  Adv AI Theory and Programming  3 cr
A study of advanced AI theory and implementation. Topics include neural networks, probability learning, and a variety of related topics. A programming language (LISP or R) will be utilized to solve complex industry problems associated with AI applications.
Pre-requisite: CSC 416 Minimum Grade of C.

CSC 434  Form Lang - Automata Theory  3 cr
Mathematical preliminaries, languages, context-free grammars, parsing, normal forms, finite automata, regular languages, pushdown automata, Turing machines.
Pre-requisite: (CSC 333 Minimum Grade of C or CSC 340 Minimum Grade of C).

CSC 440  Secure Software Engineering  3 cr
The objective of this course is to enhance the security of software by introducing sound security principles that should be incorporated into the software development process. Students will learn a risk management framework and best practices for software security including code reviews, architectural risk analysis, penetration testing, risk-based security test, abuse cases, security requirements, and security operations. Students will also learn common flaws that lead to exploitation and be able to identify and mitigate such errors in practice. Out of class labs and exercises reinforce concepts presented in class.
Pre-requisite: CSC 331 Minimum Grade of C and CSC 320 Minimum Grade of C. CSC 320 can be taken concurrently with this course.

CSC 450  Surreptitious Software  3 cr
Students in this course will learn about algorithms for software protection and learn how to use tools for program transformation. Specific topics include obfuscation, watermarking, tamperproofing, birthmarking, and hardware protection. Programming projects will be required in several different languages and course activities will involve preparing student-led lectures, working on programming projects, and writing reports.
Pre-requisite: CSC 440 Minimum Grade of C.

CSC 457  Data Warehousing  3 cr
This course focuses on the design, development and usage of data warehouses. Course content includes dimensional modeling, ETL processes, physical design, and analytical processing. New research areas related to data warehousing technology will also be discussed.
Pre-requisite: CIS 324 Minimum Grade of C or CSC 324 Minimum Grade of C.

CSC 460  Security of HW Implementations  3 cr
The objective of this course is for the student to build upon logic and architectural principles as applied to hardware designs. The key theme of the course is the security impacts of hardware design implementations.
Pre-requisite: (CSC 320 Minimum Grade of C or EE 264 Minimum Grade of C).

CSC 485  Cyber-Physical Security  3 cr
This course focuses on the Security of Cyber-Physical Systems (CPS) and Internet of Things (IoT) that go beyond topics commonly considered in Computer and Network Security. This course aims to prepare participants for the cutting edge research undergoing in both areas. The successful participation in this course will require reading number of research papers, presenting learned material, active participation in in-class discussions, and successful accomplishment of a small research project.
Pre-requisite: CSC 311 Minimum Grade of C and CSC 322 Minimum Grade of C.

CSC 490  Special Topics  3 cr
Advanced selected topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of the CSC Coordinator.

CSC 510  Compiler Design-Construction  3 cr
Lexical analysis, syntactic analysis, intermediate code generation, object code generation, memory use, generators for scanners and parsers.

CSC 511  Comm-Network Analysis  3 cr
Data communications and computer networks. An in-depth treatment of network architectures and protocols for both WANs and LANs. Topics include: network routing and flow algorithms, internet working, and distributed systems.

CSC 512  Real-Time Software Systems  3 cr
Design and implementation of software for real-time computer systems. Survey of typical real time systems; techniques for code conversion, error checking, and transmission monitoring.
Pre-requisite: Computer Science Graduate 030

CSC 513  Computer Graphics  3 cr
An in-depth study of hardware and software techniques used in computer graphics. Study of display and entry devices, including refresh, storage, and raster scan topics. Software techniques will include display files, windowing, clipping, two and three-dimensional transformation, and hidden-surface removal.

CSC 514  Modeling and Simulation  3 cr
Analytic and simulation models developed using deterministic and stochastic techniques. Topics include: event-driven simulations, queueing theory, Markov processes, and dynamical systems. “Real World” project required.

CSC 515  Numerical Analysis  3 cr
Mathematical preliminaries, solving linear systems, numerical solution of ordinary and partial differential equations.
CSC 516  AI Theory and Programming  3 cr
Introduction to basic concepts, implementation techniques, and philosophies of artificial intelligence and intelligent systems. Introduction to expert systems, fuzzy logic systems, neural networks, and techniques for artificial intelligence programming. The fundamentals of an AI programming language (LISP or PROLOG) will be presented. The language will then be used to solve problems in typical AI applications. Prerequisite: Graduate Professional Component Standing.

CSC 517  Computer Game Development  3 cr
Introduction to computer game development, including a variety of related topics. The course will be driven be research/technical paper discussions, student presentations, and projects. The direction of the course will be guided to some extent by student interest.

CSC 520  Computer Architecture  3 cr
Instruction set design, pipelining, instruction-level parallelism, memory hierarchy design, and multiprocessors.

CSC 522  Performance Eval of Algorithms  3 cr
Mathematical foundations; analytic, empirical, and qualitative evaluation techniques; dynamic programming, greedy algorithms, graph algorithms; and selected advanced topics.

CSC 524  Computer Language Design  3 cr
A study of programming language design and specification, including the compiling process, parsing, BNF grammars, and models of semantics. Differences between interpreters, assemblers, and compilers will be studied.

CSC 525  Complexity Theory  3 cr
Mathematical preliminaries, languages, finite automata, Turing machines, decidability, recursive function theory, complexity, tractability and NP-complete problems.

CSC 526  Data Mining  3 cr
This course provides an in-depth study of data mining. Course content includes data preparation, feature selection, pattern mining, classification, clustering, and sequence mining. New research areas in data mining will also be discussed. Laboratory assignments will provide students with opportunities to interact with and develop data mining technologies.

CSC 527  Software Engineering Princ  3 cr
Advanced concepts of software engineering will be discussed. Program testing techniques including: structured design and walk throughs, proving program correctness and verifiability, and system coding standardization and integration will be covered in depth. Software team formulation and management techniques will be discussed.

CSC 528  Introduction to Bioinformatics  3 cr
Bioinformatics is a highly interdisciplinary course between computer science and biology. It focuses on the analysis of proteins, genes, and genomes using computing technologies such as computer algorithms and computer databases. Students in this course will learn algorithms and databases pertaining to bioinformatics (e.g., sequence alignment, suffix tree and its biological/biomedical applications, genome alignment, biological/biomedical database search, and phylogeny reconstruction); gain knowledge and hands-on experience of bioinformatics tools; understand the interaction between computer science (in particular, semantic technologies) and modern biology within the context of data-driven knowledge discovery.

CSC 532  Distributed Systems  3 cr
This course will further enhance the students understanding of the details of how an operating system functions. It will focus on the advanced concepts associated with distributed systems. The student will learn the underlying concepts of such systems and the algorithms needed to provide the required synchronization and communication.

CSC 533  Art Intel-Heuristic Prog  3 cr
Methods of heuristic programming, the production of intelligent algorithms, and simulation of human cognitive processes will be studied. AI languages, such as LISP and PROLOG, will be discussed. Attention placed on the relationship between man-made machines (robots) and biological organisms with natural intelligence. Expert Systems and neural network research will be studied.

CSC 550  Surreptitious Software  3 cr
Students in this course will learn about Algorithms for software protection and learn how to use tools for program transformation. Specific topics include obfuscation, watermarking, tamperproofing, birthmarking and hardware protection. Programming projects will be required in several different languages and course activities will involve preparing student-led lectures, working on programming projects, and writing reports.

CSC 557  Data Warehousing  3 cr
This course focuses on the design, development and usage of data warehouses. Course content includes dimensional modeling, ETL processes, physical design, and analytical processing. New research areas related to data warehousing technology will also be discussed.

CSC 560  Security of HW Implementations  3 cr
The objective of this course is for the student to build upon logic and architectural principles as applies to hardware designs. The key theme of the course is the security impacts of hardware design implementations.
CSC 580  Data Security  3 cr
The objective of this course is to introduce the inherent strengths and limitations of cryptography in data security applications, focusing on the basic principles of message privacy, key negotiation, and key management. The course covers various aspects of symmetric and asymmetric ciphers and provides a broad coverage of the core areas for engineering cryptographic systems. Students will be expected to implement and analyze simple cryptographic schemes and read supporting articles and papers for presentation. Prerequisite: CIS Graduate Professional Component.

CSC 582  Network Security  3 cr
The objective of this course is to provide students with the knowledge and skills to begin supporting network security within an organization. Students will gain an understanding of fundamental network security concepts and mechanisms, be able to identify security threats and vulnerabilities, and help respond to and recover from security incidents. The course will provide an understanding of how to design and build secure network algorithms and environments while gaining an in-depth knowledge of protocol security, intrusion detection, and principles of cyber defense. Pre-requisite: CSC 580 Minimum Grade of C.

CSC 585  Cyber-Physical Security  3 cr
This course focuses on the Security of Cyber-Physical Systems (CPS) and Internet of Things (IoT) that go beyond topics commonly considered in Computer and Network Security. This course aims to prepare participants for the cutting edge research undergoing in both areas. The successful participation in this course will require reading number of research papers, presenting learned material, active participation in in-class discussions, and successful accomplishment of a small research project.

CSC 590  CSC Sp Top -  3 cr
Advanced selected topics in computer science. Prerequisite: Permission of the CSC coordinator.

CSC 595  CS Project Proposal Develop  1 TO 3 cr
Development of the project proposal for the Computer Science specialization master's project. Prerequisite: Graduate Professional Component and Permission of the Director of Graduate Studies. Pre-requisite: CIS 518 Minimum Grade of S.

CSC 598  Computer Science Project  1 TO 3 cr
This course may be repeated for a maximum of six (6) credits. A CIS project committee will provide direction during the project. Prerequisites: Approval of project proposal by student's project committee and permission of the Director of CIS Graduate Studies. Pre-requisite: CSC 595 Minimum Grade of B.

CSC 612  Cybersecurity  3 cr
This course focuses on developing expertise and preparation for independent research in Cybersecurity through an in-depth review of the Cybersecurity literature. The student will be conversant in broad issues and trends in Cybersecurity as defined by skill sets and occupations.

CSC 626  Advanced Big Data  3 cr
This course focuses on developing expertise and preparation for independent research in big data through an in-depth review of the big data and data science literature. The student will be conversant in broad issues and trends in big data as defined by current tools and technologies.