

COMPUTER SCIENCES FOR PROFESSIONALS, CAPSTONE CERTIFICATE

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Adult Career and Special Student Services (ACSSS) is the admitting office for all University Special students. However, the Department of Computer Sciences (<http://www.cs.wisc.edu/academics/graduate-programs/>) makes the final admission decision upon review of all applicant materials.

- Fall Deadline: June 1
- Spring Deadline: October 15
- Summer Deadline: February 15

Applications received after the deadline will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

Please contact pcp-admissions@cs.wisc.edu (pcp-admissions@cs.wisc.edu?subject=PCP%20application%20question) for assistance with applying.

Admission Requirements

- Have a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution
- Preferred minimum bachelor's degree GPA of 3.0
- Submit evidence of English language proficiency, if applicable.
 - Minimum TOEFL: 92 internet (iBT)
 - Minimum IELTS: 7.0
 - IELTS Indicator: 7.0
 - Duolingo English Test: 125

Prerequisites

Applicants must have completed two introductory courses, COMP SCI 200 Programming I OR COMP SCI 220 Data Science Programming I, **AND** COMP SCI 300 Programming II for at least three credits and received a grade of "C" or higher in each course, before taking the four courses needed to complete the certificate.

If applicants have not completed these courses, or equivalent coursework or demonstrated sustained professional experience in computer programming, they must complete these two prerequisite courses before enrolling in the Computer Sciences Professional Capstone Certificate Program.

The equivalent of COMP SCI 200/COMP SCI 220 and COMP SCI 300, if taken elsewhere, will be considered for fulfilling the Professional Capstone Certificate Program course prerequisites. In addition, any successful completion of COMP SCI 300 at UW-Madison will also count as a completion of COMP SCI 200/COMP SCI 220. Any applicant with a preliminary Computer Science background that is

equivalent to COMP SCI 200/COMP SCI 220 may consider starting with COMP SCI 300 to prepare for the coursework in the certificate program.

Applicants to the Computer Sciences for Professionals program are also recommended to have completed prior Calculus and/or Linear Algebra coursework.

APPLICATION STEPS

An online application for admission (<http://continuingstudies.wisc.edu/advising/apply.htm>) as a University Special student, selecting UNCS Capstone Certificate and the program: Computer Science for Professionals.

ENROLLMENT

Admitted applicants receive a formal letter of admission to UW-Madison from Adult Career and Special Student Services along with general enrollment information.

The Department of Computer Sciences will send an email to admitted applicants with specific information pertaining to enrollment in courses and completion of the capstone program.

Additional detail about the enrollment process is provided on the ACSSS enrollment page (<https://acsss.wisc.edu/enrollment/>).