

**UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**NEW DEGREE PROPOSAL:** Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Computer Science, College of Engineering (CIP 11.0701)

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**OTHER SUS INSTITUTIONS OFFERING SAME PROGRAM: FAU, USF, UCF**

**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

Approval of the BS with a major in Computer Science, College of Engineering.

**DEMONSTRATED NEED FOR PROGRAM**

Many valid, yet different, approaches to studying computer science are suitable for students with different goals. With our current degree programs, we already provide several. However, we currently do not provide a good option for those who want a very strong technical background in Computer Science but are not interested in a strong hardware emphasis. Such students must either choose the CLAS Computer Science degree, which allows students to obtain a liberal arts education but is less technically rigorous than the proposed degree; or choose the Computer Engineering degree and take hardware and engineering core courses that are not of interest to the students or valued by their future employers. The lack of flexibility for students in the Computer Engineering program eliminates the opportunity for any sort of interdisciplinary focus in that program. The proposed Computer Science degree in the College of Engineering fills this gap. The interdisciplinary electives allow this degree program to easily adapt to the increasingly interdisciplinary nature of computing and provide more flexibility for students.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The CISE Department's Student Services Center receives frequent inquiries from students who would like to pursue a Computer Science program through the college of Engineering. The inquiries are typically centered on the student's desire to become a software engineer without being required to complete Electrical Engineering courses. These students want to focus on engineering of new software, not on the hardware aspects taught in the advanced Electrical Engineering courses. Other inquiries stem from prospective students who in researching Computer Science degrees at other institutions found many of those degrees were from Engineering colleges. In addition, although graduates of our existing degree programs are highly regarded by those employers who are familiar with them, feedback from the CISE Industrial Advisory Board tells us that offering a standard BS in Computer Science through the College of Engineering may make it easier for some companies to effectively recruit at UF.

**RELATIONSHIP TO THE UNIVERSITY'S STRATEGIC PLAN**

The overarching goal of the University of Florida Strategic Plan is to "raise the University of Florida into the ranks of the nation's great universities." More specifically, the university plans to strengthen key disciplines in the core colleges. Engineering has been designated as a "core college" and within Engineering, Computer Science has been designated a key area. The new program will strengthen the undergraduate program in this key area.

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**SUMMARY INFORMATION**

**Projected FTE and headcount are:**

	<b>Projected Headcount</b>	<b>Student FTE</b>	<b>Faculty Headcount</b>	<b>Faculty FTE</b>
<b>First Year</b>	250	215		
<b>Second Year</b>	350	301		
<b>Third Year</b>	355	305		
<b>Fourth Year</b>	385	331		
<b>Fifth Year</b>	430	370		

**Additional Comments:**

This degree program has been approved by the faculty in the Department of Computer and Information Science and Engineering, the College of Engineering Curriculum Committee and the University Curriculum Committee.

**Supporting Documentation Included:**

None

**Other Support Documents Available:**

Full proposal approved by the University Curriculum Committee and the Faculty Senate

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**GENERAL EDUCATION (18)**

Composition (ENC 2210).....	3	Humanities*.....	6-9
Social and Behavioral Sciences*.....	6-9	International Studies and Diversity**.....	6
* Students may vary the number of hours completed in the humanities and social and behavioral studies categories. No fewer than six and no more than nine hours may be taken in each category.			
** These courses may be selected from courses that simultaneously fulfill the general education area requirement in social and behavioral science (S) and humanities (H).			
*** The mathematics, physical and biological science requirements are listed with the departmental requirements below.			

**DEPARTMENTAL REQUIREMENTS**

**Mathematics (24)**

MAC 2311	Analytic Geometry & Calculus 1 (SAT II=540)...	4
MAC 2312	Analytic Geometry & Calculus 2.....	4
MAC 2313	Analytic Geometry & Calculus 3.....	4

MAP 2302	Elementary Differential Equations (Cal 2).....	3
OR EGM 3311	Intro to Engineering Analysis (Cal 3).....	3

MAS 3114	Computational Linear Algebra (Cal 2 & a prg. lang.)3	
OR MAS 4105	Linear Algebra 1 (Cal 3).....	4

STA 3032	Engineering Statistics (Cal 3).....	3
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COT 4501	Num. Analysis: Comp. Approach (CIS 3020, MAS3114)	
OR MAD 4401	Intro to Num. Analys. (MAS 3114/4105 & a prog. lang)3	

**Physics (8)**

PHY 2048	Physics w/Cal 1 (HS Physics, Cal 1; <u>Cal 2</u> , PHY2048L)...	3
PHY 2048L	Lab for PHY 2048 ( <u>PHY 2048</u> ).....	1
PHY 2049	Physics w/Cal 2 (PHY 2048; <u>Cal 3</u> , PHY 2049L).....	3
PHY 2049L	Lab for PHY 3049 ( <u>PHY 2049</u> ).....	1

**Chemistry (4)**

CHM 2045	General Chemistry (SAT II=480; <u>CHM 2045L</u> ).....	3
CHM 2045L	Lab for CHM 2045 ( <u>CHM 2045</u> ).....	1

**Communications (6)**

Approved writing or public speaking courses

**Interdisciplinary Electives (15)**

All credits must be applied towards a chosen minor

or

All courses must be at the 3000 level or above and in the same area (advisor approval required)

**Computer Science Major Courses (33)**

CIS 3020	Advanced Prog Fund (Cal 1, prog experience).....	3
OR both	CIS 3022 Prog Fund I ( <u>Cal 1</u> ) .....	3
and	CIS3023 Prog Fund II (Prog Fund I) .....	3

COP 3530	Data & Alg. Structures(CIS 3020, COT 3100, Cal 2).....	4
COT 3100	Applic.of Discrete Structures (Cal 1, CIS 3020).....	3

CDA 3101	Intro to Computer Org (Cal 1, CIS 3020).....	3
CEN 3031	Intro to Software Engineering (COP 3530).....	3
CEN 4500C	Comp. Network Fund. (COP 3530, CDA 3101, COP 4600)	4
CIS 4914	Computer Systems Design-Senior Project (4EG)3	
COP 4600	Operating Systems (COP 3530, CDA 3101).....	3
EEL 3701C	Digital Logic & Computer Systems (CIS 3020)...	4
CIS 4301	Info System Design and Dev (COP 3530).....	3

**Ethics (1) (see notes)**

EGN 4034	Professional Issues in Engineering (4EG, or consent)	1
CGS 3065	Legal & Social Issues in Computing (Exp. in UNIX).3	
CGS 3090	Ethics on the Electronic Frontier (Unix, Hyper-Text) ..	1

**Technical Electives (18)**

Any 4000 level course with prefix CAP, CDA, CEN, CIS, COP, COT		
CGS 3065	Legal & Social Issues in Computing (Exp. in UNIX).3	
EIN 4354	Engineering Economy (upper div EG status)	3
STA 4321	Mathematical Statistics (STA 3032).....	3

**At most, 3 credits from the following courses:**

CGS 3460 (C)	
COP 3013 (Survey PL)	
COP 3610 (Survey OS)	
CGS 3464 (C++)	
COP 2121 (Cobol)	

The following courses require advisor approval in order to fulfill technical elective requirements

CIS 4930	Special Topics (advisor approval).....	3
CIS 4940	Internship (advisor approval).....	1-3
CIS 4949	Co-op (advisor approval).....	1-3

**NOTES:**

- Courses in parenthesis are prerequisites.
- Underlined courses are corequisites.
- An Exit Interview is required during your last semester. Please see one of the department academic advisors.
- Interdisciplinary electives may not be used to satisfy other degree requirements.
- If the chosen minor requires less than 15 credits, the remaining credits may be used for additional coursework in the area of the minor, or CS technical electives.
- Students who take CGS3065 as a technical elective simultaneously satisfy the ethics requirement
- CIS3022 may count toward technical elective credits

**+ Minimum Total Hours.....126**

This document is intended to be used only as a counseling guide. Graduation requirements are more completely specified in the UF Undergraduate Catalog.