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| Program Name <br> BACHELOR OF ARTS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE (B.A.C.S.) |  | $\square$ New Program* $\square$ Change Program* | Effective Date <br> (TERM \& YEAR) <br> FALL 2024 |
| Please explain the requested change(s) and offer rationale below or on an attachment. <br> Program has been changed to strengthen the programming course sequence and adding foundational courses in cybersecurity, AI, and algorithms. Five courses in the core have been substituted. The total number program credits remains unchanged. Professional program in BACS has been deleted as this program was not launched. Changes are made to allow a professional internship to be counted as an elective. |  |  |  |
| *All new programs and changes to existing programs must be accompanied by a catalog entry showing the new or proposed changes. |  |  |  |
| Faculty Contact/ <br> Michael DeGiorgio | Email/Phone <br> mdegiorg@fau.edu / 561-297-0003 | Consult and list departm change(s) and attach do | $s$ that may be affected by the entation |
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# COMPUTER SCIENCE <br> BACHELOR OF ARTS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE (B.A.C.S.) 

(Minimum of 120 credits required)

## Admission Requirements

All students must meet the minimum admission requirements of the University. Please refer to the Admissions section of this catalog.

The Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science (B.A.C.S.) with Major in Computer Science is intended for students interested in software development. The program prepares students for a career in the field of Computer Science with focus on software development. The B.A. in Computer Science is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, but unlike FAU's B.S. in Computer Science, it is not accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET.

## Prerequisite Coursework for Transfer Students

Students transferring to Florida Atlantic University must complete both lowerdivision requirements (including the requirements of the Intellectual Foundations Program) and requirements for the college and major. Lowerdivision requirements may be completed through an Associate in Arts (A.A.) degree from any Florida public college, university or community college or through equivalent coursework at another regionally accredited institution. Before transferring and to ensure timely progress toward the baccalaureate degree, students must also complete the prerequisite courses for their major as outlined in the _Transition Guides.

All courses not listed with the Florida Statewide Course Numbering System that will be used to satisfy requirements will be evaluated individually on the basis of content and will require a catalog course description and a copy of the syllabus for assessment.

## Degree Requirements

The minimum number of credits required for the Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science (B.A.C.S.) degree is 120 credits. This degree will be awarded to students who satisfy all admission and degree requirements for the department.

Students entering FAU with fewer than 30 credits must satisfy the course requirements specified in the catalog section, Degree Requirements. Students
entering FAU with more than 30 credits (transfer students) must see the undergraduate advisor for an evaluation of courses taken at another school. The general education requirements are satisfied normally if a student has an Associate in Arts (A.A.) degree from a Florida community or state college.

Students must complete 36 credits of B.A.C.S. courses and 21 credits of Computer Science Electives with a grade of "C" or better.

Pass/Fail Grades: Courses taken as pass/fail are not accepted for Computer Science students.

## Specific Degree Requirements

## General Education

Foundations of Written Communication ..... 6
Foundations of Society and Human Behavior ..... 6
Foundations of Global Citizenship ..... 6
Foundations of Humanities ..... 6
Foundations of Science and the Natural World ..... 6
Subtotal ..... 30

## Mathematics

Methods of Calculus
MAC 2233
Introductory Statistics
STA 2033

## Subtotal

## B.A.C.S. Courses

Introduction to Data Science and Analytics CAP 4773 3
Computer Logic Design CDA 3203 3
Principles of Software Engineering CEN 4010 3
Introduction to Programming in Python COP 3035 3
Data Structures and Algorithm Analysis with COP 3410 Python

| Introduction to Database Structures | COP 3540 | 3 |
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| Introduction to Internet Computing | COP 3813 | 3 |
| Introduction to Web Programming | $\underline{\text { COP 3862 }}$ | 3 |
| Python Programming | COP 4045 | 3 |
| Object-Oriented Design and Programming | COP 4331 | 3 |
| Computer Operating Systems | COP 4610 | 3 |
| Advanced Database Systems | COP 4703 | 3 |
| Foundations of Computing | COT 2000 | 3 |
| Introduction to Software Design | $\underline{\text { CEN 3062 }}$ | $\underline{3}$ |
| Design and Analysis of Algorithms | $\underline{\text { COT 4400 }}$ | $\underline{3}$ |
| Introduction to AI | $\underline{\text { CAP 4630 }}$ | $\underline{3}$ |
| Network and Data Security | $\underline{\text { CNT 4411 }}$ | $\underline{3}$ |
| Subtotal |  | $\mathbf{3 6}$ |

Computer Science Electives ..... 21
Free Electives ..... 27
Total ..... 120

## Computer Science Electives

All students must take 21 credits of approved elective courses. Certain 3000- and 4000 -level courses offered by the Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Department may be used as Computer Science electives. Certain 5000- or 6000level courses offered by the Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Department may be taken as Computer Science electives. Students must see an advisor for a current list of elective courses. Students seeking a specialty may consider taking electives in an area of study. A few suggested areas of concentration follow.

## Internet Technology

| Introduction to Data Communication | CNT 4104 | 3 |
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| Foundations of Cybersecurity | CNT 4403 | 3 |
| Full-Stack Web Development | COP 4808 |  |
| Mobile App Projects | COP 4655 | 3 |
| Advanced Database Systems | COP 4703 | 3 |
| Cybersecurity |  |  |
| Cyber Physical System Security | CIS 4213 | 3 |
| Operating Systems Security | CIS 4367 | 3 |
| Foundations of Cybersecurity | CNT 4403 | 3 |
| Network and Data Security | CNT 4411 | 3 |

Machine Learning and Data Science

| Introduction to Deep Learning | CAP 4613 | 3 |
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| Introduction to Artificial Intelligence | CAP 4630 | 3 |
| Introduction to Data Mining and Machine | CAP 4770 | 3 |
| Learning |  |  |

One of the The following courses may be taken as Computer Science electives
Directed Independent Study COT 4900 1-3

Topics in Computer Science and Engineering COT 4930 1-3
Topics in Computer Science COT 5930 1-3
Professional Internship IDS 3949 0-3

## Professional Internship

Students must have completed COP 3410, Data Structures and Algorithm Analysis with Python, with a minimum grade of " C " before being eligible to register for a professional internship. Approval through the Career Center is required prior to enrollment. Students are permitted to take no more than the equivalent of one course (3 credits) to satisfy degree requirements.

## SECOND BACHELOR'S B.A.C.S. DEGREE

This program is for those individuals with a degree in another discipline who are seeking a Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science degree at FAU.

## Admission Requirements

Students seeking a bachelor's degree or graduate degree in another discipline must satisfy all admission requirements of the first B.A.C.S. at FAU.

## Degree Requirements

The minimum number of FAU credits needed to earn a second bachelor's degree (B.A.C.S.) is 30 credits at the 3000 level or higher.

1. Students must have completed 36 credits of core courses in the B.A.C.S. program. Each course must be completed with a minimum grade of "C."
2. Students must have completed 6 credits of Computer Science electives. Each course must be completed with a minimum grade of "C."
3. Students must have completed the math prerequisites necessary to take the core and elective courses in the program.

## COMPUTER SCIENCE <br> BACHELOR OF ARTS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE (B.A.C.S.) PROFESSIONAL PROGRAM

The Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science (B.A.C.S.) Professional Program is designed specifically for working professionals who may advance their careers with an accelerated undergraduate program and obtain a bachelor's degree in Computer Science while continuing to work in their professional careers. The Professional program includes evenings, weekends and online materials using Ganvas. This degree program requires 36 core computer science credits and 6 eredits of computer science electives. The duration of each course may be four, eight or sixteen weeks depending on the course format. Students are normally expected to complete the program in two years.

## Admission/Degree Requirements

Applicants are required to meet the same admission and degree requirements as for the Second Bachelor's Degree in B.A.C.S.

## Program Fees

The B.A.C.S. Professional Program is a full-service, all-inclusive program. The fees cover all program costs including tuition, course materials and graduation activities. To view our full cost of attendance information page, visit https://www.fau.edu/finaid/other/cost-of-attendance/.

## Application Process and More Information

To apply or receive more information about this program, visit the Electrical Engineering and Computer Science website or call 561-297-3855.

## Sample Four-Year Program of Study

For the sample four-year program of study for the Bachelor of Arts with Major in Computer Science, refer to the Curriculum Sheets and Flight Plans by major.

