

DOCTORAL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

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DOCTOR of PHILOSOPHY

D235/R146

MAJOR: Computer Science

CONCENTRATION: General/Standard

Program effective **Summer 2026**

COURSEWORK REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of 30 credit hours beyond the bachelor’s degree.

- Up to 30 hours of coursework from prior master’s work can be used to satisfy the minimum 30 hours. Which courses to accept for course credit hours is for the student’s Advisory Committee to decide.
- No more than 6 hours of independent studies (including C S 5990 and/or C S 6990) can be counted toward the required minimum 30 hours of coursework.
- No more than 6 credit hours of C S 5970 are permitted, even with a change in subject.
- No more than 12 credit hours of C S G4000 level courses are permitted
- Students may not earn credit for C S 5880, except as credited from a completed M.S. degree toward their first 30 hours of coursework.

<input type="checkbox"/> C S G4413	Algorithm Analysis (or substitute, as approved by the graduate liaison)	3 hours
<input type="checkbox"/> C S 5903	Graduate Perspectives on Computing (or equivalent, as approved by the graduate liaison)	3 hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	Four courses, one selected from each of four approved breadth areas lists (Systems, Theory, AI/ML, and People & Data) maintained by the School of Computer Science	12 hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	Total	30-45 hours

Dissertation Research

<input type="checkbox"/> C S 6980	Research for Doctoral Dissertation	45-60 hours
	45 hours minimum / 60 hours maximum	

<input type="checkbox"/>	TOTAL	90 hours
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