The Arthur E. Imperatore School of Sciences and Arts

Interdisciplinary Programs: Program in Computational Science

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UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

Computational Science is an emerging field in which sophisticated computational techniques are used to build models and solve problems related to science and engineering. It complements existing theoretical and experimental approaches and may be thought of as a new mode of scientific inquiry.

At Stevens, undergraduates may study computational science through an interdisciplinary program leading to a bachelor of science in computational science with a specialization in an area of science or engineering. The current specializations are:

- Computational Biology
- Computational Chemistry
- Computational Mechanics
- Computational Oceanography
- Computational Physics
- Computer Vision
- Cybersecurity
- Environmental Systems

The program consists of the science curriculum core courses and technical electives. The technical electives are divided between foundation courses in mathematics and computer science, and application courses in the student's area of specialization. An important part of the program is a project or research problem to be done in the senior year. Each student must choose one of the application areas listed above prior to preparing their study plan. Each student's study plan reflects his or her interests and aspirations, and is made up by the student, working with a member of the Supervisory Committee. Potential students are encouraged to consult members of this committee for further information.

The following table includes the core courses and typical foundation courses. Application area courses are discussed below. Courses need not be taken in exactly the order listed.

Freshman Year Term I

		Hrs. Per Wk.		
		Class	Lab	Sem.
				Cred.
Ma 115	Math Analysis I	3	0	3
Ch 115	General Chemistry I	3	0	3
Ch 117	General Chemistry Lab I	0	3	1
CS 105	Intro to Scientific Computing	2	2	3
OR				
CS 115	Intro to Computer Science	3	2	4
PEP 111	Mechanics	3	0	3
Hu	Humanities	3	0	3
PE 200	Physical Education I	0	2	1

TOTAL 14(15) 7 17(18)

Term II

		Hrs. Per Wk.		
		Class	Lab	Sem.
				Cred
Ma 116	Math Analysis II	3	0	3
Ch 116	General Chemistry II	3	0	3
Ch 118	General Chemistry Lab II	0	3	1
Ch 281	Biology and Biotechnology	3	0	3
PEP 112	Electricity and Magnetism	3	0	3
Hu	Humanities	3	0	3
PE 200	Physical Education II	0	2	1
	TOTAL	15	5	17

Sophomore Year Term III

		Hrs. Per Wk.		
		Class	Lab	Sem.
				Cred.
Ma 221	Differential Equations	4	0	4
Ma 334	Discrete Mathematics	3	0	3
Mgt	Economics	3	0	3
PEP 221	Physics Lab I	0	3	1
Hu	Humanities	3	0	3
PE 200	Physical Education III	0	2	1
	TOTAL	13	5	15

Term IV

		Hrs. Per Wk.		
		Class	Lab	Sem. Cred
Ma 227	Multivariate Calculus	3	0	3
	Thermodynamics	3	0	3
CS 284	Data Structures & Alg. I	3	0	3
PEP 222	Physics Lab II	0	3	1
Hu	Humanities	3	0	3
PE 200	Physical Education IV	0	2	1
	TOTAL	12	5	14

Junior Year Term V				
		Hrs. Per Class	Wk. Lab	Sem. Cred.
Ma 232 Ma 346 CS 385 TE Hu PE 200	Linear Algebra Numerical Methods Data Structures & Alg. II Technical Elective Humanities Physical Education V	3 3 3 3 0	0 0 0 0(3) 0 2	3 3 3 3(4) 3
	TOTAL	15	2(5)	16(17)
Term VI				
		Hrs. Per Class	Wk. Lab	Sem. Cred
Ma 222 Ma 525 PEP 242 TE Hu PE 200	Probability & Statistics Intro to Computational Sci Modern Physics Technical Elective Humanities Physical Education VI	3 3 3 3 0	0 0 0 0(3) 0 2	3 3 3 3(4) 3
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	TOTAL	15	2(5)	16(17)
Senior Year Term VII	TOTAL			16(17)
	TOTAL	Hrs. Per Class		Sem.
	Technical Elective Technical Elective Elective Humanities	Hrs. Per	Wk.	, ,
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TE TE E	Technical Elective Technical Elective Elective Humanities	Hrs. Per Class 3 3 3	Wk. Lab 0(3) 0(3) 0 0 0 0(6)	Sem. Cred. 3(4) 3(4) 3 3 12(14)
Term VII TE TE E Hu	Technical Elective Technical Elective Elective Humanities	Hrs. Per Class 3 3 3 3 12 Hrs. Per	Wk. Lab 0(3) 0(3) 0 0 0(6)	Sem. Cred. 3(4) 3(4) 3 3 12(14)

Application Areas

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Application Areas correspond to the research interests of the faculty associated with the program and are subject to change. Sample selections of application courses are given below. In addition, Ma 547 Advanced Calculus I and Ma 548 Advanced Calculus II are strongly recommended for students considering graduate school in any field. Note that 600-level courses require special permission. For further information about an Application Area, consult the faculty advisor for that area.

Computational Biology (Professor Panikov)

Ch 241 Organic Chemistry I Ch 242 Organic Chemistry II

Ch 580 Biochemistry I

Ch 498 Senior Chemical/Biological Research I

one of the following:

- Ch 499 Senior Chemical/Biological Research II
- Ch 678 Computational Microbiology
- Ch 681 Biochemistry II

Computational Chemistry (Professor Mansfield)

- Ch 241 Organic Chemistry I
- Ch 322 Theoretical Chemistry
- Ch 421 Chemical Dynamics
- Ch 498 Chemical Research I
- Ch 499 Chemical Research II

Computational Mechanics (Professor Hassiotis)

- E 126 Mechanics of Solids
- CE 345 Modeling and Simulation
- CE 373 Structural Analysis
- Ma 498 Senior Research Project I

one of the following:

- CE 613 Matrix Analysis of StructuresCE 623 Structural Dynamics
- CE 681 Introduction to Finite Element Methods

Computational Oceanography (Professor Bruno)

- E 126 Mechanics of Solids
- CE 342 Fluid Mechanics
- OE 526 Computer-Aided Naval Architecture
- OE 648 Numerical Hydrodynamics
- Ma 498 Mathematical Research I

Computational Physics (Professors Becker and Carr)

PEP 497 SKIL V

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PEP 538 Introduction to Mechanics

PEP 542 Electromagnetism

one of the following:

- PEP 520 Computational Physics
- PEP 575 Fundamentals of Atmospheric Radiation and Climate

Computer Vision (Professors Angelopoulou and Kamberov)

- CS 437 Interactive Computer Graphics
- CS 638 Interactive Computer Graphics II
- CS 558 Computer Vision
- CS 499 Computer Science Research II
- CS 498 Computer Science Research I

Cybersecurity (Professors Wetzel and Wright)

- CS 335 Computational Structures
- CS 499 Computer Science Research II
- CS 668 Foundations of Cryptography
- CS 693 Cryptographic Protocols
- CS 498 Computer Science Research I

Environmental Systems (Professor Vaccari)

- EN 345 Modeling and Simulation
- EN 375 Environmental Systems
- EN 541 Fate and Transport of Environmental Contaminants
- Ma 498 Mathematical Research I

one of the following:

Ma 499 Mathematical Research II

- EN 571 Physiochemical Processes for Environmental Control