COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS, B.S.

Accreditation

Learning Outcomes
• At the time of graduation students should satisfy the following Learning Outcomes
• Students will demonstrate an ability to analyze a complex computing problem and to apply principles of computing and other relevant disciplines to identify solutions.
• Students will demonstrate an ability to design, implement, and evaluate a computing-based solution to meet a given set of computing requirements in the context of the program’s discipline.
• Communicate effectively in a variety of professional contexts.
• Students will demonstrate an ability to recognize professional responsibilities and make informed judgments in computing practice based on legal and ethical principles.
• Students will demonstrate an ability to function effectively as a member or leader of a team engaged in activities appropriate to the program’s discipline.
• Students will demonstrate an ability to support the delivery, use, and management of information systems within an information systems environment.

Academic Standards

Program GPA
Program GPA requirement policies are described in the College of Engineering and Computing section of this bulletin. For the purpose of these policies, the following courses are used to determine the Program GPA for the Computer Information Systems B.S. program: all Lower Division Computing courses, Computer Information Systems Major courses, Computer Information Systems Electives, CSCE 145, CSCE 390, and MGSC 290.

Exclusions
No Lower Division Computing, Computer Engineering Major, or Computer Engineering Elective course may be counted toward a minor. All other required courses and electives may be used for a minor as appropriate. CSCE 101 and CSCE 102 are not major courses and may not be used for degree credit.

Minimum Course Grades
The Computer Information Systems B.S. program requires that a grade of “C” or better be earned in each of the following courses: ENGL 101, ENGL 102, MATH 122 or MATH 141, MATH 174 or MATH 374, and all CSCE courses applied to the degree.

Admissions

Entrance Requirements
Admission requirements and processes for freshman, transfer students, and former students seeking readmission are managed by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions (http://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/undergraduate_admissions/).

Transfer applicants from regionally accredited colleges and universities must have a cumulative 2.75 GPA on a 4.00 scale to enter the College of Engineering and Computing. In addition, transfer applicants for the Aerospace Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Computer Engineering, Electrical Engineering, or Mechanical Engineering majors must also have completed a four semester-hour calculus course equivalent to MATH 141 with a grade of “C” or better.

Current University of South Carolina students who wish to enter the College of Engineering and Computing, and former students seeking readmission, must have an institutional GPA of 2.50 or better on at least 15 hours earned at UofSC. In addition, such applicants for the Aerospace Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Computer Engineering, Electrical Engineering, or Mechanical Engineering majors must also have completed a four semester-hour calculus course equivalent to MATH 141 with a grade of “C” or better.

All engineering and computing students must earn a minimum of 30 semester hours, including at least half of the hours of work in the major, in residence.

Degree Requirements (120-128 hours)
See College of Engineering and Computing (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/engineering-computing/) for progression requirements and special academic opportunities.

Program of Study

Requirements                | Credit Hours
1. Carolina Core Requirements (34-44 hours)
CMW – Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Written (6 hours)  
Must be passed with a grade of C or higher.
• ENGL 101
• ENGL 102

ARP – Analytical Reasoning and Problem Solving (7-8 hours)
Must be passed with a grade of C or higher.
• CSCE 145
• MATH 122 or MATH 141

SCI – Scientific Literacy (8 hours)
• Two 4-credit hour CC-SCI (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/) laboratory science courses
**GFL – Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Foreign Language (0-6 hours)**

Score two or better on foreign language placement test; or complete the 109 and 110 courses in FREN, GERM, LATN or SPAN; or complete the 121 course in another foreign language.

- CC-GFL courses (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/)

**GHS – Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Historical Thinking (3 hours)**

- any CC-GHS course (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/)

**GSS – Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Social Sciences (3 hours)**

- any CC-GSS course (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/)

**AIU – Aesthetic and Interpretive Understanding (3 hours)**

- any CC-AIU course (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/)

**CMS – Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Spoken Component 1 (3 hours)**

- SPCH 140 or SPCH 230

**INF – Information Literacy 1 (0-3 hours)**

- any overlay or stand-alone CC-INF course (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/)

**VSR – Values, Ethics, and Social Responsibility 1 (1 hour)**

- CSCE 390 - must be passed with a grade of C or higher

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1. **Carolina Core Stand Alone or Overlay Eligible Requirements** – Overlay-approved courses offer students the option of meeting two Carolina Core components in a single course. A maximum of two overlays is allowed. The total Carolina Core credit hours for this program must add up to a minimum of 34 hours.

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### 2. College Requirements (0 hours)

No college-required courses for this program.

### 3. Program Requirements (57-59 hours)

**Supporting Courses (39 hours)**

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<td>MATH 174</td>
<td>Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science (must be passed with a grade of C or higher)</td>
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<td>Discrete Structures</td>
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<td>STAT 509</td>
<td>Statistics for Engineers</td>
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<td>or STAT 515</td>
<td>Statistical Methods I</td>
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**Lower Division Computing (18 hours)**

Must be passed with a grade of C or higher.

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<td>CSCE 190</td>
<td>Computing in the Modern World</td>
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<td>CSCE 201</td>
<td>Introduction to Computer Security</td>
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<td>CSCE 210</td>
<td>Computer Hardware Foundations</td>
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<td>CSCE 215</td>
<td>UNIX/Linux Fundamentals</td>
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CSCE 240  Advanced Programming Techniques  3
CSCE 247  Software Engineering  3

Total Credit Hours  18

Minor in Business Information Management (18 hours)

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<td>ACCT 222</td>
<td>Survey of Accounting</td>
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<td>MGMT 371</td>
<td>Principles of Management</td>
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<td>MGSC 290</td>
<td>Computer Information Systems in Business</td>
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Electives

Select two of the following:  6

- ACCT 324  Survey of Commercial Law
- ECON 311  Issues in Economics
- ECON 379  Government Policy Toward Business
- FINA 333  Finance and Markets
- IBUS 301  Introduction to International Business
- MGMT 472  Entrepreneurship and Small Business
- MKTG 350  Principles of Marketing
- MKTG 351  Consumer Behavior
- MGSC 395  Operations Management

Total Credit Hours  18

Elective (0-2 hours)

The CIS curriculum includes 0-2 hours of electives depending on how students fulfill the Carolina Core requirements. Any course in the university can be used to satisfy the elective requirement (including additional electives in the major).

4. Major Requirements (27 hours)

Must be passed with a grade of C or higher.

Major Courses (24 hours)

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<td>Introduction to Computer Networks</td>
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<td>Capstone Computing Project I</td>
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<td>CSCE 520</td>
<td>Database System Design</td>
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<td>CSCE 522</td>
<td>Information Security Principles</td>
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<td>CSCE 594</td>
<td>Strategic Management of Information Systems</td>
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Total Credit Hours  24

Major Elective (3 hours)

Select one of the following:  3

- ITEC 447  Management of Information Technology
- ITEC 560  Project Management Methods

Select an approved CSCE course, 510 and higher - a list of acceptable courses is also maintained in the department office and on its website

Total Credit Hours  3

Major Map

A major map is a layout of required courses in a given program of study, including critical courses and suggested course sequences to ensure a clear path to graduation.

Major maps are only a suggested or recommended sequence of courses required in a program of study. Please contact your academic advisor for assistance in the application of specific coursework to a program of study and course selection and planning for upcoming semesters.

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