B.S./M.S. PROGRAM IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

Application to the Program

General Information

The Department of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) of the University at Buffalo offers a program leading to the simultaneous conferral of a B.S. and M.S. degrees in Computer Science (CS).

This program has several advantages over separately earning the B.S. (CS) degree then the M.S. (CS),

- 134 credit hours compared to 150 credit hours
- Opportunity to compete for graduate financial assistance before B.S. conferral
- Guaranteed admission to the Graduate School for students making satisfactory progress in the program.

Students applying to the B.S./M.S. Program in Computer Science can complete the combined program in five years. For the purposes of financial aid and tuition, students are considered graduate students in the beginning of their seventh semester of the program (the semester in which the student carries more graduate credits than UG credits).

Students may apply after completing

- At least 56 credits
- A minimum GPA of 3.3 among all required CSE, MTH, and EAS courses. It is recommended that candidates complete CSE115, CSE116, CSE191, CSE241, CSE250, *MTH141, *MTH142, and a calculus-based probability or statistics course prior to applying.
- Transfer students must complete at least one semester at the university before applying to this program.

Applications must be accompanied

- By two letters of recommendation from our CSE faculty and emailed/given to Donna Grant, CSE Undergraduate Advisor in 338 R Davis
- Along with a current copy of your advising report.

Applications are reviewed by the Director of Undergraduate Studies and Director Graduate Admissions. Applicants will be notified via email of the determination.

*Unless exempted by an SAT score, Advanced Placement credits, or transfer credits.
BS/MS PROGRAM APPLICATION

To be completed by Applicant:

1. Name __________________________  Date: ______________

2. Person Number: ______________  4. Email: __________________________

5. CSE and Math courses completed with grades and number of credit hours:
   Cr. / Grade                  Cr. / Grade                  Cr. / Grade
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6. CSE and Math courses being taken this semester:
   Cr. _______ ( ) _______ ( ) _______ ( ) _______ ( )

Two letters of reference are required from CSE faculty, in which both general comments on the applicant’s talent, training, and character, as well as specific comments on the suitability of the applicant for an accelerated program in C.S., is solicited.

7. First reference’s name ________________________________

8. Second reference’s name ________________________________

Please instruct your references to email their recommendation letter to dmgrant3@buffalo.edu or provide their letter directly to me in hard copy.

9. Signature __________________________  Date ______________

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For office use only
The above named student is approved for BS/MS program.

Accepted __________________________  Denied __________________________

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Ramalingam Sridhar, Ph.D.  Tevfik Kosar, Ph.D.
Director, Undergraduate Studies  Director, Graduate Admissions

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