# **COMPUTER SCIENCE**

Computer Science at NYU Shanghai is designed to create technological leaders with a global perspective, a broad education, and the capacity to think creatively. Computer science focuses on how to design, build, and effectively use the computers and systems that we interact with every day — from the iPhones in our hands to the complex databases in our banks and hospitals and to the self-driving cars of the future. Because computer technology powers the most essential functions of business, industry, government and entertainment, computer scientists have tremendous opportunities for growth and exploration.

The Bachelor of Science in Computer Science is a rigorous program that not only covers fundamental computer science subjects - such as object-oriented programming, computer architecture, algorithms, and operating systems – but provides a wide variety of elective courses, spanning artificial intelligence, game programming, natural language processing, information visualization, security and privacy, computer networking, machine learning, and database design. Students are actively encouraged to pursue research with NYU Shanghai computer science professors, all of whom are renown in their respective fields. Students are involved in an increasing number of interdisciplinary initiatives across the university, including the Center for Data Science and Artificial Intelligence and the Neuroscience Research Institute.

Computer science graduates have a myriad of career paths, including creating products for major high-tech companies such as Google, Tencent, Microsoft, founding or joining a high-tech startup, applying computer science know-how in the public sector such as healthcare, law enforcement, or transportation, or going on to do cutting-edge research in a Ph.D. program.

### REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MAJOR

Requ	ired Major Courses	
•	CSCI-SHU 101	Introduction to Computer and Data Science (prereq: Placement test or
		CSCI-SHU 11 Intro to Computer Programming)
•	MATH-SHU 235	Probability and Statistics <b>OR</b>
	MATH-SHU 238	Honors Theory of Probability <b>OR</b>
	BUSF-SHU 101	Statistics for Business and Economics
•	CENG-SHU 202	Computer Architecture (prereq: CSCI-SHU 11 Intro to Computer
		Programming or CSCI-SHU 101 Intro to Computer and Data Science) <b>OR</b>
	CSCI-UA 201	Computer Systems Organization <i>OR</i>
	CSCI-SHU 350	Embedded Computer Systems
•	CSCI-SHU 210	Data Structures (prereq: CSCI-SHU 101 Intro to Computer and Data
		Science or A- or above in CSCI-SHU 11 Intro to Computer Programming)
•	CSCI-SHU 215	Operating Systems (prereq: CENG-SHU 202 Computer Architecture or CSCI-UA
		201 Computer Systems Organization)
•	CSCI-SHU 220	Algorithms (prereq: CSCI-SHU 210 Data Structures; CSCI-SHU 2314
		Discrete Math or MATH-SHU 140 Linear Algebra or MATH-SHU 141 Honors
		Linear Algebra I or MATH-SHU 201 Honors Calculus)
•	CSCI-SHU 2314	Discrete Mathematics (co-requisite or prereq: MATH-SHU 121 Calculus I)
•	CSCI-SHU 420	Computer Science Senior Project (ONLY offered in the Fall)

### Computer Science Electives - Choose Four

Note: The courses listed below are not an exhaustive list. In particular, most of the CS elective courses at Tandon, College of Arts and Sciences, or Abu Dhabi can be used as NYU Shanghai CS electives. If you would like to see if a course not listed below can count as an elective, please contact your advisor to have the course reviewed.

	CENG-SHU 201	Digital Logic
•	DATS-SHU 235	Information Visualization
	DATS-SHU 240	Introduction to Optimization and Mathematical Programming
•	DATS-SHU 377	Computer Vision
•	CSCI-SHU 188	Introduction to Computer Music
•	CSCI-SHU 213	Databases
•	CSCI-SHU 222	Introduction to Game Programming
•	CSCI-SHU 254	Distributed Systems
•	CSCI-SHU 308	Computer Networking
•	CSCI-SHU 311	Functional Programming
•	CSCI-SHU 350	Embedded Computer Systems
•	CSCI-SHU 360	Machine Learning
•	CSCI-SHU 375	Reinforcement Learning
•	CSCI-SHU 376	Natural Language Processing
•	CSCI-SHU 378	Introduction to Cryptography
•	CSCI-SHU 381	Recommendation Systems
•	CSCI-SHU 410	Software Engineering
•	*INTM-SHU 231	Developing Web
•	*BUSF-SHU 310	Data Science for Social and Information Networks
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\*Courses considered as "interdisciplinary/soft" CS electives. A maximum of one "interdisciplinary/soft" CS elective class could be used to fulfill the four CS elective requirements. Please contact your advisor for more information.

### **General Electives**

General Elective courses to meet 128 credit requirements.

### Footnotes:

1) Not every course listed is taught every semester, and in any given semester other courses may be offered that fulfill these requirements. Requirements may be met through equivalent courses in NYU's global network with prior approval. 3-credit versions of courses can generally substitute for a full 4-credit course requirement. A 2-credit course with a similar title or content will not by itself meet the requirement of the named course.

- 2) The Computer Science major students are not able to double major in Data Science or Computer Systems Engineering.
- 3) The program is formed by four components: (1) core requirements, (2) required major courses, (3) major electives, and (4) general electives.
- 4) For core requirements see "Core Curriculum" section.

### Computer Science Minor (For details see "Requirements for Minors" section)

### **Computer Science Program Learning Outcomes**

- PLO 1: Have an understanding of the fundamental technical subject areas associated with computer science.
- PLO 2: Be able to incorporate knowledge of mathematics, computer science and engineering to solve technical problems.
- PLO 3: Have the ability to communicate and function effectively in an interdisciplinary team environment.
- PLO 4: Be effective life-long learners including demonstrating professional and ethical responsibilities.

# COMPUTER SCIENCE SAMPLE SCHEDULE 1

This is just one example of how a student could organize their courses if pursuing a CS major. It assumes a student begins taking CS major courses in the first year. Sample Schedule 2 offers an alternate plan that begins in the second year. Students may propose alternative schedules to their advisors as well.

1st Semester, Fall	Credits
Global Perspectives on Society	4
Core Course (Calculus)	4
Intro to Computer Programming Chinese or EAP, Core Course, or General Elective	4
Credits	16
2nd Semester, Spring	Credits
Writing as Inquiry	4
Core Course Introduction to Computer and Data Science or Data Structures	4
Chinese or EAP, Core Course, or General Elective	4
Credits	16
3rd Semester, Fall	Credits
Perspectives on the Humanities	4
Data Structures or Computer Science Elective Discrete Mathematics	4
Core Course, General Elective, or Chinese	4
Credits	16
4th Semester, Spring	Credits
Probability and Statistics or alternate statistics course	4
Algorithms Computer Architecture	4 4
Core Course, General Elective, or Chinese	4
Credits	16
5th Semester, Fall	Credits
Core Course or General Elective	4
Computer Science Elective	4
Computer Science Elective General Elective	4
Credits	16
6th Semester, Spring	Credits
Core Course or General Elective	4
Computer Science Elective Computer Science Elective	4
General Elective	4
Credits	16
7th Semester, Fall	Credits
Operating Systems	4
Computer Science Elective	4
Senior Project (ONLY offered every Fall) General Elective	4
Credits	16
8th Semester, Spring	Credits
General Elective	4
General Elective General Elective	4
General Elective	4
Credits	16

**Total Credits: 128** 

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## **SAMPLE SCHEDULE 2**

1st Semester, Fall	Credits
Global Perspectives on Society Core Course (Calculus) Core Class Chinese or EAP, Core Course, or General Elective	4 4 4
Credits	16
2nd Semester, Spring	Credits
Writing as Inquiry	4
Core Course Core Course or General Elective	4
Chinese or EAP, Core Course, or General Elective Credits	4 <b>16</b>
3rd Semester, Fall	Credits
Perspectives on the Humanities	4
Intro to Computer Programming Discrete Mathematics	4
Core Course, General Elective, or Chinese Credits	4 <b>16</b>
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4th Semester, Spring	Credits
Computer Science Elective Introduction to Computer and Data Science or Data Structures	4
Computer Architecture	4
Core Course, General Elective, or Chinese Credits	4 16
5th Semester, Fall	Credits
Data Structures or Computer Science Elective	4
Probability and Statistics or alternate statistics course Computer Science Elective	4
General Elective Credits	4 <b>16</b>
6th Semester, Spring	Credits
Algorithms Computer Science Elective	4
General Elective	4
General Elective Credits	4 16
7th Semester, Fall	Credits
Senior Project (ONLY offered every Fall)	4
Operating Systems	4
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**Total Credits: 128**