Computer Science Concentration Area Courses

For students who started at RPI in the Fall 2022/Spring 2023 academic year or earlier, keep reading. Otherwise, if your first semester at RPI (regardless of initial major) is Fall 2023 or later, do **not** use this document as it does not apply to your degree requirements.

For F22/S23 and earlier, all accepted CS Option/Capstone courses are listed in the pages below.

In general, all CSCI students are required to take <u>three</u> courses in one specific area, plus a <u>fourth</u> CS Option course; this fourth course must be in a different area for all students who started at RPI in Fall 2021 or later.

In the areas below, courses shown in *italics* are no longer offered or are being phased out. Courses that meet the communication intensive requirement are marked as **[CI]**.

Note that catalog courses may have been offered using CSCI 496x/696x numbering prior to being added to the catalog. These course offerings still count in the designated areas. (This also applies to ECSE 496x/696x, COGS 496x/696x, etc.)

For any missing courses or questions, please contact **goldsd3@rpi.edu** with the course syllabus, schedule of topics, etc.

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(a) Concentration Area: Theory, Algorithms, and Mathematics (formerly Theory and Algorithms)		
CSCI 4020/6020	Design and Analysis of Algorithms	
CSCI 4030/6220	Randomized Algorithms	
CSCI 4040/6040	Approximation Algorithms	
CSCI 4050/6050	Theory of Computation	
CSCI 4100/6100	Machine Learning from Data	
CSCI 4110/6110	Computational Social Processes	
CSCI 4120/6120	Computational Finance	
CSCI 4140/696x	Machine Learning and Optimization	
CSCI 4150	Introduction to Artificial Intelligence	
CSCI 4230/6230	Cryptography and Network Security I [CI]	
CSCI 4250/6250	Frontiers of Network Science [CI]	
CSCI 4260 (MATH 4150)	Graph Theory	
CSCI 4420 (PHIL 4420 / MATH 4030)	Computability and Logic	
CSCI 4450/6450	Principles of Program Analysis	
CSCI 4510/6510	Distributed Systems and Algorithms	
CSCI 4560/6560	Computational Geometry	
CSCI 4610/6610	Computing and Quantum Computing	
CSCI 4800 (MATH 4800)	Numerical Computing	
CSCI 4820 (MATH 4820)	Introduction to Numerical Methods for Diff. Eqns.	
CSCI 496x	Introduction to Quantum Computing	
CSCI 496x	Intermed. Formal Logic & AI / Intro Logic-Based AI	
CSCI 496x/696x	ML for Bioinformatics (Computational Biology)	
CSCI 496x (COGS 4210/6210)	Cognitive Modeling	
CSCI 496x/696x	Parallel Graph Analysis	
CSCI 496x/696x	Large-Scale Matrix Computation and ML	
CSCI 496x (COGS 4410/6410)	Programming for Cognitive Science and AI	
CSCI 496x/696x	Intro to Network Science / Network Resilience	
CSCI 496x/696x	Software Verification	
CSCI 496x/696x	Economics and Computation / Time Series Analysis	
CSCI 496x/696x	Sense Making and Computation	
CSCI 6800 (MATH 6800)	Computational Linear Algebra	
CSCI 6820 (MATH 6820)	Numerical Solution of Ordinary Differential Eqns	
CSCI 6840 (MATH 6840)	Numerical Solution of Partial Differential Eqns	
CSCI 6860 (MATH 6860)	Finite Element Analysis	
CSCI 496x/696x	Algorithmic Game Theory	
CSCI 496x/696x	Deep Learning / Deep Learning on Graphs	
CSCI 496x/696x	Algorithm Design & Modern Machine Learning	
CSCI 696x (ECSE 496x/696x / ISYE 696x)	Decision Making Under Uncertainty	
ECSE 4170/6170	Modeling & Simulation for Cyber-Physical Systems	
ECSE 4850	Introduction to Deep Learning	
ECSE 4840	Introduction to Machine Learning	
ECSE 496x/696x	Quantum Computer Programming	
ECSE 496x/696x	Networks and Networked Systems	
ECSE 6610	Pattern Recognition	
MATH 4840	Numerical Linear Algebra with Applications	
MATP 4820/6610	Computational Optimization	
MATP 6640	Linear Programming	

(b) Concentration Area: Systems and Software		
CSCI 4190/6190	Decentralized AI (formerly AI and Blockchain)	
CSCI 4220	Network Programming	
CSCI 4280/6280	Graph Mining	
CSCI 4310/6310	Networking in the Linux Kernel [CI]	
CSCI 4320/6360	Parallel Programming / Parallel Computing	
CSCI 4330	Application Design Using Java [CI]	
CSCI 4380	Database Systems	
CSCI 4440	Software Design and Documentation [CI]	
CSCI 4450/6450	Principles of Program Analysis	
CSCI 4460/6460	Large-Scale Programming and Testing [CI]	
CSCI 4470	Open Source Software	
CSCI 4500/6500	Distributed Computing over the Internet	
CSCI 4510/6510	Distributed Systems and Algorithms	
CSCI 4520 (ITWS 4500)	Web Science Systems Development	
CSCI 4710	RCOS Senior Project Leader	
CSCI 4850 (ITWS 4850)	Modern Binary Exploitation (MBE)	
CSCI 496x/696x	Programming in Haskell	
CSCI 496x	Network Security and Defense	
CSCI 496x	Computer Architecture	
CSCI 496x	Advanced Operating Systems	
CSCI 496x	Cloud Computing	
CSCI 496x	Software Analysis & Debugging	
CSCI 496x/696x	Cloud Computing Seminar	
ECSE 4320/6320	Advanced Computer Systems	
ECSE 4660	Internetworking of Things	
ECSE 4670 (CSCI 496x)	Computer Communication Networks (CCN)	
ECSE 4740	Applied Parallel Computing for Engineers	
ECSE 4770	Computer Hardware Design (CHD)	
ECSE 4780	Advanced Computer Hardware Design (ACHD)	
ECSE 4790	Microprocessor Systems (MPS)	
ITWS 4370	Information System Security	

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(c) Concentration Area: Artificial Intelligence and Data		
CSCI 4100/6100	Machine Learning from Data	
CSCI 4110/6110	Computational Social Processes	
CSCI 4130/696x	AI in Fact and Fiction	
CSCI 4140/696x	Machine Learning and Optimization	
CSCI 4150	Introduction to Artificial Intelligence	
CSCI 4160/696x	Reinforcement Learning	
CSCI 4170/6170	Projects in AI & Machine Learning	
CSCI 4180/696x	Trustworthy Machine Learning	
CSCI 4190/6190	Decentralized AI (formerly AI and Blockchain)	
CSCI 4270/6270	Computational Vision	
CSCI 4340/6340	Ontologies	
CSCI 4350/6350 (ITWS 4350/6350)	Data Science	
CSCI 4370/6370	Data and Society [CI]	
CSCI 4380	Database Systems	
CSCI 4390/6390	Data Mining	
CSCI 4400/6400 (ITWS 4400/6400)	X-informatics	
CSCI 4420 (PHIL 4420 / MATH 4030)	Computability and Logic	
CSCI 4480 (ECSE 4480)	Robotics I	
CSCI 4490/6490 (ECSE 4490/6490)	Robotics II	
CSCI 4545 (COGS 4540/6540)	Social Computing	
CSCI 4600/6600 (ITWS 4600/6600)	Data Analytics	
CSCI 4730/6730	Material Informatics and Data Science	
CSCI 496x/696x	AI for Drug Discovery / Science / Conservation	
CSCI 496x/696x	Safe Autonomy / ML for Autonomous Systems	
CSCI 496x	Intermed. Formal Logic & AI / Intro Logic-Based AI	
CSCI 496x/696x	Intro to Network Science / Network Resilience	
CSCI 496x (COGS 4210/6210)	Cognitive Modeling	
CSCI 496x (COGS 4410/6410)	Programming for Cognitive Science and AI	
CSCI 496x (COGS 4420)	Game AI	
CSCI 496x (COGS 4430/6430)	Learning and Advanced Game AI	
CSCI 496x/696x (COGS 4640/6640)	Intelligent Virtual Agents	
CSCI 496x (COGS 4650/6650)	Information Retrieval	
CSCI 496x/696x (COGS 4880/6880)	Language-Endowed Intelligent Agents	
CSCI 496x/696x	ML for Bioinformatics (Computational Biology)	
CSCI 496x/696x	Advanced Web Science	
CSCI 496x/696x	Large-Scale Matrix Computation and ML	
CSCI 496x/696x	Social Processes & Networks / Econ & Computation	
CSCI 496x/696x	Semantic Web Topics / Knowledge Disc / Graphs	
CSCI 496x/696x	ML Seminar / ML Open Source Open Science	
CSCI 496x/696x	Deep Learning / Deep Learning on Graphs	
CSCI 496x/696x	Security and Privacy of Machine Learning	
CSCI 496x/696x	Algorithm Design & Modern Machine Learning	
CSCI 696x	Large Language Models	
ECSE 4850	Introduction to Deep Learning	
ECSE 4840	Introduction to Machine Learning	
ECSE 6610	Pattern Recognition	
GSAS 496x (COGS 496x / CSCI 496x)	Intro to Deep Learning Natural Language Generation	

(d) Concentration Area: Applications (formerly Vision, Graphics, Robotics, and Games)		
CSCI 4170/6170	Projects in AI & Machine Learning	
CSCI 4270/6270	Computational Vision	
CSCI 4320/6360	Parallel Programming / Parallel Computing	
CSCI 4480 (or ECSE 4480)	Robotics I	
CSCI 4490/6490 (ECSE 4490/6490)	Robotics II	
CSCI 4520	Game Development I (phased out Fall 2019)	
CSCI 4530/6530	Advanced Computer Graphics [CI]	
CSCI 4540	Game Development II (phased out Fall 2021)	
CSCI 4550/6550	Interactive Visualization [CI]	
CSCI 4560/6560	Computational Geometry	
CSCI 496x/696x	AI for Conservation	
CSCI 496x (COGS 4430/6430)	Learning and Advanced Game AI	
CSCI 496x (COGS 4420)	Game AI	
CSCI 496x/696x	Safe Autonomy / ML for Autonomous Systems	
CSCI 496x/696x	Time Series Analysis	
CSCI 496x/696x	Sense Making and Computation	
ECSE 4740	Applied Parallel Computing for Engineers	
ECSE 4750/696x	Computer Graphics	
ECSE 4620/6620	Computer Vision for Visual Effects	
ECSE 6650	Computer Vision	
ECSE 696x	Robot Dynamics and Control	
GSAS 4550	Game Architecture	

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