Software Engineering

Department Information

- Department Web Site: www.ndsu.edu/cs/ (http://www.ndsu.edu/cs/)
- Credential Offered: B.S.; UG Certificate
- Official Program Curriculum: catalog.ndsu.edu/undergraduate/program-curriculum/software-engineering/ (http://catalog.ndsu.edu/undergraduate/program-curriculum/software-engineering/)

Students interested in working as software engineers must have a sound foundation of math, physics, software, circuit theory, and engineering design principles to function effectively. A bachelor of science (B.S.) degree with a major in software engineering is focused on preparing individuals to work with other IT professional and apply engineering principles to design, test, implement, and evaluate software. Software engineers are an integral part of the accelerating growth of technology, are knowledgeable on the ever-increasing complexity of the IT sector, and are meeting the growing demands of customer and innovative website and mobile applications, and the continuous need to update code due to its limited lifespan. Software Engineering is offered jointly by the Computer Science department and the Electrical & Computer Engineering department in the College of Engineering.

The Software Engineering certificate draws from the set of courses that are specific to the B.S. in Software Engineering and the Software Engineering track of our B.S. in Computer Science degree. It can be of interest to professionals with computer science degrees who wish to expand their expertise in the area of software engineering. It is also targeted at current students who complete a different track or program and wish to cover more than one specialization.

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Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits	
CHEM 121		3 ENGL 120 ^{1, 2}		3
ENGL 110 ^{1, 2}		3 MATH 165 ²		4
ECE 111		3 CSCI 160 ²		4
Gen Ed Social & Behavioral Sci ²		3 ECE 275		4
Gen Ed Wellness ²		2 CHEM 121L or PHYS 25	51L (GE Lab) ²	1
		14		16
Second Year				
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits	
MATH 166		4 MATH 265		4
COMM 110 ²		3 MATH 129		3
EE 206		4 ECE 374		4
CSCI 161		4 CSCI 213		3
		Gen Ed Social and Beha	avioral Sci ²	3
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PHYS 251 ²		4 ECE 341		3
CSCI 222		3 CSCI 372		3
CSCI 313		3 STAT 330		3

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ECE 376		4 ECE 401		1
Gen Ed Humanities and Fine Arts ²		3 Tech Elective		3
		ENGL 320 or 324 ²		3
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CSCI 366		3 ECE 479		3
CSCI 413		3 CSCI 405		3
Tech Elective		3 ENGR 327 ²		3
ECE 403		2 Tech Elective		3
ECE 474		3 ECE 405		3
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