GENERIC BACHELOR’S + MS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

This accelerated plan of study provides a pathway to earning two powerful credentials, a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or Bachelor of Science (BS) degree and a Master of Science (MS) degree in Computer Science, in just five years. This Bachelor’s/Master’s program is designed to enable New Paltz students majoring in a program that includes at least 12 credits of free electives to complete the MS degree in one year. Students in this program begin taking graduate courses during the senior year, earning 12 graduate credits by the time they complete their Bachelor's degree. They are then able to complete the graduate degree requirements by enrolling in 18 credits during the subsequent fall and spring terms.

How does it work?
QUALIFY for early admission by majoring in a program offering at least 12 credits of free electives.
CONTACT Professor Easwaran to express interest in and learn more about the generic 4+1 program in Computer Science program.
APPLY online to the Bachelor’s/Master’s program in Computer Science during the junior year via the Graduate Studies section of my.newpaltz.edu.
UPLOAD a personal statement explaining interest in the 4+1 program, contact information for three references, and an unofficial transcript.
GET AHEAD by completing twelve credits of graduate course work during the senior year and enjoy a tuition savings of $175/credit.
COMPLETE the remaining 18 credits of the MS degree program in just one year.

Admission Requirements
Contact Professor Easwaran to express interest in the program and to prepare the graduate application:

Application Procedures
• Apply using the link above to our new application system.
• Create an account (if new to applying) and follow the steps.
• Select the fall term when you would like to begin your graduate coursework and major code (270M).
  NOTE: This program only admits for the fall term.
• Select the “Generic Bachelor’s + MS in Computer Science” program as the intended curriculum.

Upload Checklist Items
To expedite a faculty review of an application, students may upload the following items:
• Personal statement explaining your interest in the 4+1 program in Computer Science
• Contact information for three references
• Student copies of transcripts* from every college/university attended
• Full admission REQUIRES the submission of official transcripts and successful completion of undergraduate degree

Check Your Application Status
• Check your application status through your applicant portal.

Graduate study in Computer Science enables students to individualize their program of study by pursuing ten computer science courses (30 credits) and passing a comprehensive exam, or completing eight courses (24 credits) and delving into a 6-credit thesis project. This flexibility allows students to explore conceptually-based classes, enhance technical skills through applied learning courses, stay abreast of current trends in the field through a wide range of special topics courses, and engage in research by pursuing an optional six-credit thesis.

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