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## Introduction to computer science 151 (COS 151)

**Qualification** Undergraduate

**Faculty** [Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology](#)

**Module credits** 8.00

**Programmes** [BIS Multimedia](#)

[BSc Computer Science](#)

[BSc Information and Knowledge Systems](#)

[BSc Mathematical Statistics](#)

[BSc Physics](#)

**Service modules** Faculty of Education

Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences

**Prerequisites** APS of 30 and level 5 (60-69%) Mathematics.

**Contact time** 1 practical per week, 2 lectures per week

**Language of tuition** Module is presented in English

**Department** Computer Science

**Period of presentation** Semester 1

### Module content

This module introduces concepts and terminology related to the computer science discipline. General topics covered include the history of computing, machine level representation of data, Boolean logic and gates, basic computer systems organisation, algorithms and complexity and automata theory. The module also introduces some of the subdisciplines of computer science, such as computer networks, database systems, compilers, information security and intelligent systems. The module also focuses on modelling of algorithms.

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