

# BSc in Computer Science

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Bachelor of Science in Computer Science is the ideal programme for students who are curious about how computers work, enjoy building things carefully and systematically, have logical minds, are good at step-by-step reasoning, enjoy designing things that others can use, can pay attention to detail, can recognise good style and are able to keep working at a task until they succeed.

A Bachelor of Science in Computer Science degree from the University of Pretoria provides breadth and depth in computing skills. It equips students with problem-solving abilities and ensures that they have a solid foundation for continued learning. a

The minimum time required for completing a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science degree is three years. The curriculum conforms to the highest international standards and will give students a foundation in all the important areas of computer science. Students will study a wide variety of computer science modules that emphasise the most up-to-date ways of developing software for use in the IT industry.

This programme includes a significant number of mathematics and natural sciences modules to strengthen the kind of thinking needed for the development of software and the enhancement of problem-solving abilities. It also provides a basis for research in computer science, which often relies on a certain level of mathematical skill and maturity.

Graduates follow careers in programming, system analysis, system architecture, consulting, database administration and network analysis. They can also be employed as researchers.

For more information, please consult the Faculty webpage.

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## Career Opportunities

Programmers, systems analysts, systems architects, consultants, database administrators, network analysts and researchers.

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## Programme Code

12134002

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## Closing Dates

- **SA** - 30/06/2025
  - **Non-SA** - 30/06/2025
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## Admission Requirements

### Important information for all prospective students for 2026

The admission requirements below apply to all who apply for admission to the University of Pretoria with a **National Senior Certificate (NSC)** and **Independent Examination Board (IEB)** qualifications. [Click here](#) for this Faculty Brochure.

#### Minimum requirements

Achievement level		
English Home Language or English First Additional Language	Mathematics	APS
NSC/IEB 5	NSC/IEB 6	<b>30</b>

The suggested second-choice programmes for Bachelor of Science in Computer Science are Bachelor of Science in Information Systems in Information and Knowledge Systems and Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Informatics.

Life Orientation is excluded when calculating the APS.

Applicants currently in Grade 12 must apply with their final Grade 11 (or equivalent) results.

Applicants who have completed Grade 12 must apply with their final NSC or equivalent qualification results.

Please note that meeting the minimum academic requirements does not guarantee admission.

Successful candidates will be notified once admitted or conditionally admitted.

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Unsuccessful candidates will be notified after 30 June.

Applicants should check their application status regularly on the UP Student Portal at [click here](#).

**Applicants with qualifications other than the abovementioned** should refer to the International undergraduate prospectus 2026: Applicants with a school leaving certificate not issued by Umalusi (South Africa), available at [click here](#).

**International students:** [Click here](#).

### **Transferring students**

A transferring student is a student who, at the time of applying at the University of Pretoria (UP) is/was a registered student at another tertiary institution. A transferring student will be considered for admission based on NSC or equivalent qualification and previous academic performance. Students who have been dismissed from other institutions due to poor academic performance will not be considered for admission to UP.

**Closing dates:** Same as above.

### **Returning students**

A returning student is a student who, at the time of application for a degree programme is/was a registered student at UP, and wants to transfer to another degree at UP. A returning student will be considered for admission based on NSC or equivalent qualification and previous academic performance.

#### **Note:**

- Students who have been excluded/dismissed from a faculty due to poor academic performance may be considered for admission to another programme at UP, as per faculty-specific requirements.
- Only ONE transfer between UP faculties and TWO transfers within a faculty will be allowed.
- Admission of returning students will always depend on the faculty concerned and the availability of space in the programmes for which they apply.

### **Closing date for applications from returning students**

Unless capacity allows for an extension of the closing date, applications from returning students must be submitted before the end of August via your UP Student Centre.

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### **Minimum duration of study**

3 years, full-time

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## Faculty Notes

All modules will only be presented in English, which is the University's official language of tuition, communication and correspondence.

The Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology at the University of Pretoria is a leading source of graduates in the engineering, built environment and information technology professions. We achieve this by a focus on research to drive innovative and enquiry-led teaching for educating and positioning our students to be leaders in their professions. The Faculty has extensive and cutting-edge teaching, learning and laboratory facilities integrated with the excellent suite of facilities and services offered by the University. We facilitate access to our qualifications through our extended programmes but expect our students to excel and develop as future professionals through our programme offering. We invite you to consider enrolling in one of our programmes if you share our vision of excellence and want to position yourself as a leader in the professions that we support.

The Faculty is organised in four schools: the School of Engineering, the School for the Built Environment, the School of Information Technology and the Graduate School of Technology Management. The School of Engineering is the largest of its kind in the country in terms of student numbers, graduates and research contributions and offers programmes in all the major engineering disciplines with many specialisations also offered at undergraduate and graduate level.

The University of Pretoria aims to be internationally competitive while also locally relevant. Advisory boards at both faculty and departmental level promote alignment and excellence in our teaching and research activities. Where applicable and available our programmes are accredited by statutory and professional bodies at both national and international level.

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## Enquiries about the programme

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## How to apply



# Online Application



Note: Also consult General Rules and Information on the Yearbook website for additional information.

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