

MASTER of COMPUTER SCIENCE - PRE-APPLICATION FAQ

Please review the questions and answers below before submitting your application for the Master of Computer Science Program.

Q: I am an international applicant and my English language test results fall slightly below the requirements as stated on the website (for example, my overall IELTS test score meets the requirement, but I scored below 6.5 in one band)? Can I still apply?

Those who do not meet the minimum requirements will not be recommended for admission.

Q: Can I submit additional documentation, such as employment records, proof of professional development in the field or references to support my application or replace one of the required documents or minimum requirements?

No. While we appreciate the professional accomplishments and competencies each applicant brings, we will not request or consider documents that are in addition to what is stated on our website.

Q: If the Official transcript will take longer to arrive, can my application be assessed and be offered conditional admission?

No. An application file is considered incomplete without an official transcript and it will not be processed until all required documents are received. Conditional offers are not issued in the Master's program.

Q: Does Algoma University offer fully funded scholarship opportunities or guaranteed funding in this program?

There is no guaranteed finding or scholarship opportunity for either domestic or international applicants to cover the entirety or a portion of the program fees. Students admitted to the program may apply for Teaching Assistantship positions. These positions are not guaranteed and are assigned on a competitive basis.

Q: Can I be admitted with part-time status or change my status from full-time to part-time to accommodate work commitments?

We do not offer a part-time option at admission to this program. Requesting status change from full-time to part-time may be petitioned, however, progression on part-time basis is contingent upon course availability. Semester one, two and three courses are scheduled in specific semesters, planned around admission cycles (Fall and Winter).

Q: How long is this program?

The program is completed in one year (12 months) and it spans over three consecutive semesters.

Q: Can I take a one-semester break between Semester 1 and 2 or Semester 2 and 3?

As the program (courses) is scheduled to run in three back-to-back semesters, we do not offer the option of taking a Scheduled break. A leave of absence (i.e., taking a semester off, allowed only with a formal application and approval), is not recommended given the potential lack of availability of missed courses.