

## Unit and programme catalogues

University of Bristol

## Programme structure: Computer Science (MSc) - what's running in 2022/23

This section describes which Units you will take in which year of study. It indicates which units are mandatory and where you will be able to choose. The overall pass marks you will need to achieve in order to progress or achieve an award are shown. The full regulations concerning progression and completion are held in the [University's Regulations and Code of Practice](#). Any particular aspects of your programme that are unusual will be highlighted. If any Units are must pass this will be shown below. The linked unit specifications detail any additional requirements.

[What do the Levels represent?](#)

[What do the teaching blocks \(TB\) mean?](#)

- Year 1 (2022/23)

Unit name	Unit code	Credit points	Status	Teaching Block
<a href="#">Introduction to Computer Science</a> 计算机科学概论	COMSM0084	10	Mandatory	TB-1
<a href="#">Programming in C</a> C语言编程	COMSM1201	30	Mandatory	TB-1
<a href="#">Overview of Computer Architecture</a> 计算机体系结构概述	COMSM1302	20	Mandatory	TB-1
<a href="#">Object-Oriented Programming with Java</a> Java 面向对象编程	COMSM0086	20	Mandatory	TB-2
<a href="#">Overview of Software Tools</a> 软件工具概述	COMSM0085	20	Mandatory	TB-2
<a href="#">Overview of Software Engineering</a> 软件工程概述	COMSM0110	20	Mandatory	TB-2
Select from:				
Please select one of the following 60 credit Summer projects:				
<a href="#">Summer Team Project</a> 暑期小组项目	COMSM0108	60	Optional	AYEAR
<a href="#">MSc Project Computer Science</a> 计算机科学硕士项目	COMSM3201	60	Optional	AYEAR
<i>MSc Computer Science</i>		<b>180</b>		

## Progression/award requirements

The pass mark set by the University for any level 7(M) unit is 50 out of 100.

For detailed rules on progression please see the [Regulations and Code of Practice](#) for Taught Programmes and the relevant faculty handbook.

## Exit awards

All taught masters programmes, unless exempted by Senate, must allow the opportunity for students to exit from the programme with a postgraduate diploma or certificate.

To be awarded a postgraduate diploma, students must have successfully completed 120 credit points, of which 90 must be at level M/7.

To be awarded a postgraduate certificate, students must have successfully completed 60 credit points, of which 40 must be at level M/7.

### Degree classifications:

An award with Merit or Distinction is permitted for postgraduate taught masters, diplomas and certificates, where these are specifically named entry-level qualifications. An award with Merit or Distinction is not permitted for exit awards where students are required to exit the programme on academic grounds but is permitted in designated programmes (as set out in the programme specification) where students choose to withdraw from the intended programme but otherwise achieve the necessary credit points for the exit award.

The classification of the award in relation to the final programme mark is as follows:

Award with **Distinction\***: at least 65 out of 100 for the taught component overall and, for masters awards, at least 70 out of 100 for the dissertation. \*\*Faculties retain discretion to increase these thresholds.

Award with **Merit\***: at least 60 out of 100 for the taught component overall and, for masters awards, at least 60 out of 100 for the dissertation. Faculties retain discretion to increase these thresholds.

\* The MA in Law has separate regulations for awarding distinction and merit.

\*\* For the award of Distinction, the Faculty of Engineering requires at least 70 out of 100 for the taught component overall and, for masters awards, at least 70 out of 100 for the dissertation.

### Diploma/certificate stages:

All taught masters programmes, unless exempted by Senate, must allow the opportunity for students to choose, or be required, to leave at the postgraduate diploma or certificate stage.

To be awarded a postgraduate diploma, students must have successfully completed 120 credit points, of which 90 must be at level M/7.

To be awarded a postgraduate certificate, students must have successfully completed 60 credit points, of which 40 must be at level M/7.

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