

Graduation with Departmental Honors in Computer Science

The Department of Computer Science, Mathematics and Statistics has a program for recognizing graduating computer science majors for outstanding performance. Under this program, qualified students majoring in computer science are given the opportunity to graduate with departmental honors in computer science.

To graduate with departmental honors, a computer science student must

- have a cumulative grade-point average of 3.5 or better in computer science courses
- receive an invitation to become a Computer Science Honors Candidate from the Computer Science Honors Committee made up of the Computer Science faculty
- be assigned a faculty mentor
- create a computer science research paper or software project* and presented at the Student Showcase**

*A proposal for the research paper/ software project must be submitted and approved by the Computer Science Honors Committee at least one semester before graduation.

**A recommendation for departmental honors from the Computer Science Honors Committee will be based primarily on the committee's evaluation of the honors project and oral presentation in consultation with the faculty mentor. An honors research paper or software project is expected to be of a sufficient level to warrant honors recognition in computer science. That is, the final product (as judged by the Computer Science Honors Committee) should exhibit a high-level of understanding of computer science (and the software engineering process for software projects), and should exhibit a high level of expertise.