

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Selected computer science undergraduates whose academic records and personal initiative indicate that they have the necessary skills to undertake high-quality research in computer science may apply to the honors program. Applicants must be majoring in Computer Science, must have a GPA of at least 3.6 in courses that count toward the major, and must achieve senior standing (135 or more units) by the end of the academic year in which they apply. Coterminial MS students are eligible to apply as long as they have not already received their undergraduate degrees. Beyond these requirements, students who apply for the honors program must also find a faculty member who agrees to serve as the thesis advisor for the project. Thesis advisors must be members of Stanford's Academic Council.

Students who meet the eligibility requirements and wish to be considered for the honors program must submit a written application to the Computer Science undergraduate program office by May 1 of the year preceding the honors work. The application must include a letter describing the research project, a letter of endorsement from the faculty sponsor, and a transcript of courses taken at Stanford. Each year, a faculty review committee will select the successful candidates for honors from the pool of qualified applicants.

In order to receive departmental honors, students admitted to the honors program must do the following, in addition to satisfying the standard requirements for the undergraduate degree:

1. Complete at least 9 units of CS191 or 191W under the direction of their project sponsor.
2. Attend a weekly honors seminar in spring quarter.
3. Complete an honors thesis deemed acceptable by a committee consisting of the thesis advisor and at least one additional faculty member.
4. Present the thesis at a public colloquium sponsored by the department.
5. Maintain the 3.6 GPA required for admission to the honors program.