

# Graduate Certificate in Computer Science

## 1 Duration of program

Except with the permission of the Faculty, the Graduate Certificate in Computer Science shall be completed in a minimum of one semester or a maximum of four semesters.

## 2 Admission

2.1 Except as provided in 2.2 below, an applicant for admission to the program for the Graduate Certificate shall have qualified for a degree of the University or a degree of another institution accepted by the Faculty for the purpose as equivalent to a degree of this University.

2.2 Subject to the approval of the Council, the Faculty may, in special cases and subject to such conditions (if any) as it may see fit to impose in each case, accept as a candidate for the Graduate Certificate a person who does not hold a degree of a tertiary institution but has given evidence satisfactory to the Faculty of fitness to undertake work for the Graduate Certificate.

2.3 A knowledge of SACE Stage 2 Mathematical Studies or its equivalent is assumed.

2.4 A person who holds any of the following qualifications shall not be eligible for the award of the Graduate Certificate in Computer Science: a degree that includes a major in Computer Science or its equivalent; the Diploma in Computer Science, Master of Computer Science of the University of Adelaide, or equivalent qualifications in Computer Science.

### 2.5 Status, exemption and credit transfer

2.5.1 A candidate who has passed courses in this or other educational institutions and who has not presented these courses towards an award may, on written application, be granted such exemption from the requirements of these rules as the Faculty shall determine. Status may be granted for a maximum of 3 units under 4.1 of the Academic Program Rules.

2.5.2 No candidate will be permitted to count for the Graduate Certificate any course that in the opinion of the Faculty contains substantially the same material as any other course which he or she has presented already for another qualification.

## 3 Assessment and examination

3.1 There shall be four classifications of pass at an examination in any course for the Graduate Certificate: Pass with High Distinction, Pass with Distinction, Pass with Credit and Pass.

3.2 A candidate shall not be eligible to attend for examination unless the prescribed work has been completed to the satisfaction of the teaching staff concerned. A candidate who is not eligible to present for examination or final assessment shall be deemed to have failed the examination/final assessment.

3.3 A candidate who has twice failed to pass the examination in any course or division of a course may not enrol for that course again except by special permission to be obtained in writing from the Faculty and then only under such conditions as may be prescribed.

## 4 Qualification requirements

### 4.1 Academic program

To qualify for the Graduate Certificate the candidate shall satisfactorily complete courses to the value of at least 12 units listed in 4.1 for the degree of Graduate Diploma in Computer Science.

### 4.2 Unacceptable combinations of courses

No candidate will be permitted to count towards an award any course, together with any other course, which, in the opinion of the Faculty concerned, contains a substantial amount of the same material; and no course or portion of a course may be counted twice towards an award.

### 4.3 Graduation

Subject to Chapter 89 of the Statutes, candidates who have satisfied the requirements for any award of the University shall be admitted to that award.

## 5 Special circumstances

When in the opinion of the relevant Faculty special circumstances exist, the Council, on the recommendation of the Faculty in each case, may vary any of the provisions of the Academic Program Rules for any particular award.