University of North Texas Department of Computer Science & Engineering

Computer Science and Engineering PhD Program

Thank you for your interest in the Computer Science & Engineering Graduate Program at the University of North Texas.

Deadlines for applying are as follows: Fall Semester - January 15th Spring Semester - September 15th

All materials for your application, including all official test scores, letters of recommendation, Assistantship Applications and transcripts, must arrive at the Graduate School admissions office by the dates listed above. You must request official GRE/TOEFL scores early to insure that they arrive by the deadlines. Complete applications received by the deadline will be ranked and the top applicants will be admitted. If you wish to be considered for financial assistance, it is imperative that you meet the deadline.

If the complete application has not been received by the deadline, it cannot be processed and ranked.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION

All students¹ applying for graduate study, Master's or PhD, must have completed a 4-year bachelor's degree, and **must** take the **GRE** test. **GRE** guidelines are based on statistics for all GRE scores of students interested in graduate study in Computer Science & Engineering, as released by ETS (the Educational Testing Services). <u>International applicants</u> who do not have a previous degree from a U.S. institution must take the **TOEFL** exam. It is the student's responsibility to have official scores sent from ETS to the University of North Texas and those scores must be <u>received by the deadlines</u> in order to be considered for admission that semester.

TYPICAL SCORES FOR SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS

Doctoral (PhD) Applicants:

Analytical 4.5

GRE TOEFL: 83
Verbal 151 - 49%
Quantitative 156 - 65%
GPA: 3.5 in prior graduate work

Letters of Recommendation: 3
Statement of Purpose: Yes

A prior Computer Science & Engineering degree, or substantial CSE experience, is required of Ph.D. applicants. Admission is competitive and financial assistance is awarded based on the number of positions available in our program.

MAINTAINING GRADUATE STANDING

All graduate students are expected to make satisfactory progress toward a degree and student progress will be evaluated annually. An overall B average must be maintained, and two courses per year (not previously attempted) must be completed or evidence submitted showing activity in dissertation work.

Students accepted in the Ph.D. program must be admitted to candidacy within two to three years from their date of admission to the Ph.D. program depending on whether or not the student already has a Master's degree. After admission to candidacy, all requirements, including the dissertation and the final oral exam, must be completed within five additional years.

Any provisionally admitted student who fails to fulfill the requirements specified at admission or any student who for two successive semesters fails to maintain at least a B average will be dropped from the program, unless after a review of the student's overall record, it is the opinion of the Graduate Committee that the student has demonstrated sufficient potential to pursue the graduate program successfully. In this case, probationary status will be granted for one semester.

Except Graduates of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering at the University of North Texas

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Prospective Ph.D. students are welcome to apply for Teaching Assistantship or Teaching Fellow (TA/TF) positions. Students must submit a completed TA/TF Assistantship Application Form, *separate from the Admission Application form*, to the Computer Science & Engineering Department. The application form is available on the website at https://computerscience.engineering.unt.edu/webforms/assistantship-application. The complete application has to be completed by the appropriate deadline to be considered. These positions typically include tuition as well as a stipend.

A limited number of summer positions are available each year as well. For more information about Graduate Employment and Assistantships, please go to this website: https://vpaa.unt.edu/resources/retention. Outstanding M.S. applicants will be considered for scholarships to offset tuition expenses. Students receiving scholarships will be eligible for in-state tuition rates.

Research Assistant (RA) positions are selected by individual professors from their current students.

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