First year
Students in the Computer Science admission category will be enrolled in the first-year (A-level) courses required for Computer Science.

Sample first-year courses:
- Calculus I & II for Mathematical Sciences
- Discrete Mathematics
- Introduction to Computer Science I & II
- Linear Algebra I for Mathematical Sciences

In the summer months before beginning first year, students will be invited to Get Started, our engaging and interactive virtual academic orientation presented by the Academic Advising & Career Centre. Get Started presents all the information and tools students need for an academically successful first year. Students are guided in selecting first-year courses and receive answers to questions.

After first year
At the end of first year, students can apply to enter the Computer Science Specialist or Major program of study. Learn more about choosing a program of study on the Academic Advising & Career Centre website.

Students in the Computer Science admission category will be admitted to the Computer Science Specialist or Major program of study if all of the following grade requirements are achieved:
1. Minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.5 over Introduction to Computer Science II, Discrete Mathematics, Linear Algebra I for Mathematical Sciences, Calculus I for Mathematical Sciences, and Calculus II for Mathematical Sciences.
2. A minimum grade of B (73-76%) in Introduction to Computer Science II.
3. A minimum grade of C- (60-62%) in two of Discrete Mathematics, Linear Algebra I for Mathematical Sciences, and Calculus II for Mathematical Sciences.

Note: The Entrepreneurship and Information Systems streams have additional requirements.

We anticipate that the vast majority of first-year students in the Computer Science admission category will achieve these requirements. There is room in the Computer Science Specialist and Major programs for all students in the Computer Science admission category who meet these requirements. In other words, students are not competing with classmates for a space in the Computer Science Specialist or Major program of study.
Applying to a different program after first year

Students admitted to the Computer Science admission category may also apply to a different program after first year:

Mathematics or Statistics
Students in the Computer Science admission category have priority enrolment in the courses that are required for the Computer Science program. Taking these courses will also allow students to apply to programs in Mathematics and Statistics at the end of first year. There are a limited number of spaces in those programs and admission will be based on grades in some of these courses.

Other program of study
Students admitted to the Computer Science admission category may also choose to pursue a different program of study or combine majors or minors based on areas of interest. Enrolment in some programs is limited and students must meet standards to gain admittance. The U of T Scarborough Academic Calendar outlines prerequisites and grade requirements.

Please note: Minimum requirements vary each year depending on available spaces and the pool of eligible applicants.

Information for Students Admitted to Another Admission Category

We anticipate a small number of spaces available for students from other admission categories. The number of spaces will vary from year to year, depending on the number of successful applicants from the Computer Science admission category. Students will be selected for admission to these spaces based on their grades in the required courses.

Mathematics and Statistics
Students in the Mathematics or Statistics admission categories may apply for one of these remaining Computer Science spaces upon completion of the required courses.

All Other Admission Categories (outside of CMS)
You are eligible to apply for one of the remaining Computer Science spaces upon completion of all the required courses and if you achieve at least an A- in both Discrete Mathematics (CSC/MATA67) and Calculus I for Mathematical Sciences (MATA31). Those grades do not guarantee admission. They simply allow you to apply.

There is a very high demand for Computer Science programs. If you are not in the Computer Science admission category then the grades required to be admitted to one of these spaces will likely be much higher than the requirements for students in the Computer Science admission category. The actual grades needed will vary from year to year depending on the number of available spaces and the applicant pool.

Reaching Academic Goals

U of T Scarborough has plenty of services and supports to help students reach their full potential:

- Academic Advising & Career Centre – developmental advising, learning skills, career counselling, employment coaching
- Centre for Teaching and Learning – writing support, English language development, math and statistics learning support, academic integrity, facilitated study groups, self-guided learning modules
- AccessAbility Services – services and supports for students with disabilities

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