



Foundation Degree Computer Science - C048



(UCAS Course Code G500/Institution Code W73)

The 2 Year Foundation Degree in Computer Science is directly linked to and validated by the University of Chester allowing you direct access to the final year of the Applied Computing (BSc Hons) Degree at the University of Chester.

This Computer Science foundation degree is taught at our multi-million pound [Twelve Quays campus](#) in Birkenhead.

COURSE DETAILS

Studying Computer Science will give you the opportunity to gain practical computing skills vital in the creation of computer systems across the digital sector. The foundation of computer science will allow you to study a broad range of topics in designing and developing digital solutions for the challenges faced by businesses in the increasingly computer dominated world.

The course has strong links with surrounding industry, has input from professionals and Chester University and aims to ensure you have the most up to date skill set. At the end of the course you will have the knowledge and skills to work in a wide range of exciting roles.

The course is based in the purpose built labs of the STEM Centre in the Twelve Quays Campus. In addition, you will have access to facilities including library facilities available at Chester University's Thornton Science Park.

First Year Modules (Level 4):

- Continuing Professional Development
- Introduction to Programming

- Web Design
- Introduction to Networks
- Mathematics for Computer Science
- User Experience

Second Year Modules (Level 5):

- Relational Databases
- Continuing Professional Development 2
- Further Programming
- Project Management
- Advanced Web Design
- Routing and Switching Essentials

You will typically spend 13 hours in classroom-based sessions at the College over 2 days a week. Additional hours outside of timetabled sessions will be required to undertake independent study and completing assignments.

There may be updated modules introduced in 20/21 and the College will write to all applicants to advise them of changes.

ENTRY GUIDELINES

Candidates need to have 3 GCSEs at grade C/4 or above including English and maths, plus a minimum of 48 UCAS points from any of the following courses:

- BTEC Nationals
- AS/A2 - A Levels
- AVCE
- Alternatively an NVQ Level 3 or equivalent or a pass in an appropriate kite-marked Access to Higher Education course.

Where possible an academic or vocational reference will be required to ensure suitability for this level of course.

Experienced candidates who do not meet the above admissions requirements will be considered for entry if they can demonstrate that they have relevant vocational practice, motivation and personal qualities appropriate for foundation degree level work.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

Students will have access to all the hardware and software required to complete the course, students will also have access to free software that will be available to install on their own devices should they wish. Although students will have access to their coursework through the College network from home, it is recommended that they make use of their own external storage such as a pen drive or external hard drive and have their own headphones or earphones.

Any other equipment needs can be discussed at interview.

ASSESSMENT METHOD

This course will be assessed by a combination of methods e.g. portfolios, projects, reports, research, case studies, poster displays, presentations, work-based assessments and examinations.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Applications for this course are normally made via the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS) at www.ucas.com

You will need to UCAS Institution code:W73 and Course code: G500.

WHERE CAN I PROGRESS TO?

You will have a direct access opportunity to progress on to the third year of the following Honours Degree programmes: [BSc Applied Computing at the University of Chester](#). You may have the opportunity to apply to progress on to the second or final year of an Honours Degree in a related area at any university. You can also progress into employment in the Computing or IT industry and pursue careers such as IT Support/Technician, Database Administrator, Trainee Programmer, Systems Analyst or Web Designer.

Explore potential careers via [Career Match](#) — it provides current local data on wages and employment prospects.

WHEN DOES THIS COURSE RUN?

CAMPUS	STARTS	ATTENDANCE	COURSE CODE	PLANNED TIME TABLE
	06th Sep 2021	Full Time	C048N001	

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If you are aged 19 or over:				
Fee : £7790.00				
Please note, this fee is the cost per year. For Higher Education (HE) courses, student loans are available to most students undertaking a degree, foundation degree, HNC / HND or teacher training programme. Visit https://www.gov.uk/browse/education/student-finance for details.				

For advice and guidance, please contact Student Services via our [online enquiry form](#)

This information was current on 16th May, 2021 and may be subject to change.