Prepare to Declare Computer Science

**Propose**

Computer Science is an impacted major at UCSC. If you entered UCSC in the 2021-22 academic year, your proposed major at the time of admission to UCSC **MUST** be Computer Science in order to declare a Computer Science major.

**Take classes your first year**

Within your first 3 quarters at UCSC you **MUST** pass MATH 19A or MATH 20A **AND 2** courses from the following list**:

- CHEM 1A - General Chemistry
- CHEM 1B - General Chemistry
- CSE 12 - Computer Systems & Assembly Language
- ECE 13 - Computer Systems & C Programming **OR** CSE 13S Computer Systems & C Programming
- CSE 16 - Discrete Math
- CSE 30 - Programming Abstractions in Python
- TIM 50 - Business Information Systems
- TIM 58 - Systems Analysis & Design
- MATH 19B - Calculus
- MATH 20B - Honors Calculus
- PHYS 5A - Intro to Physics I
- PHYS 5C - Intro to Physics III

Make sure to take all classes you are using for major requirements for a letter grade!

**Qualify**

Complete **all** of the major qualification courses no later than the end of your 5th quarter at UCSC to declare.

**Major Qualification Courses:**
- MATH 19A or MATH 20A
- MATH 19B or MATH 20B
- CSE 30
- CSE 12
- CSE 13S or ECE 13

Have no more than one non-passing (below C) grade in major qualification courses. Repeating a class replaces the grade in your GPA but will still count toward the non-passing grade total.

Earn at least a **2.8 GPA** in the major qualification courses to declare the Computer Science **BA**. That’s just above a B-average!

Earn at least a **3.0 GPA** in the major qualification courses to declare the Computer Science **BS**. That’s a B average!

**Declare**

Declare your major no later than your 6th quarter at UCSC.

Visit [https://undergrad.soe.ucsc.edu/declare-your-major](https://undergrad.soe.ucsc.edu/declare-your-major) to see the steps to the major declaration process.

The Baskin Engineering declaration process requires an early start! Be sure to visit the website and start the declaration process within the first 2 weeks of the quarter you are declaring! *Don’t wait for the deadline*!