INFORMATICS

Integrated Undergrad-Grad Programs
Integrated B.S. in Information Sciences and Technology and M.S. in Informatics

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Applicants apply for admission to the program via the Graduate School application for admission (http://gradschool.psu.edu/prospective-students/how-to-apply/). Requirements listed here are in addition to Graduate Council policies listed under GCAC-300 Admissions Policies (http://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/).

The first two to three years of undergraduate course work follow the same undergraduate curriculum that other students follow in the Information Sciences and Technology major. Information Sciences and Technology undergraduates may apply for admission to the IUG program no earlier than February 15th of their sophomore year and no later than February 15 of their junior year after completing a minimum of 60 credits, if they meet the following admission requirements:

1. Must be enrolled in a College of IST undergraduate degree program.
2. Must have completed entrance to their undergraduate major and must have completed 60 credits of an IST undergraduate degree program. Transfer students must have completed at least 15 credits at Penn State to enroll in an IUG.
3. Must apply to the IUG program by February 15 of their junior year.
4. Must apply to and be accepted without reservation into the Graduate School and M.S. program in Informatics. Students must complete the Graduate School application (http://www.gradschool.psu.edu/applying?CFID=4347157&CFTOKEN=809212809140639-22E9BF85-AF21-D9DA-933F3E50FB10EAB8&sessionid=84304e7b7ae255ec9a524e5b1e725983de)). Admission requirements for the M.S. in Informatics are listed on the Admission Requirements tab.
5. Must have an overall GPA of 3.5 (on a 4.0 scale) in undergraduate course work and a minimum GPA of 3.5 in all course work completed for the major.
6. Must present an approved plan of study. The plan should cover the entire time period of the integrated program, and it should be reviewed periodically with an adviser.
7. Must present two letters of recommendation from faculty members.
8. Must meet with both the Director of Undergraduate Academic Affairs and the Graduate Program Coordinator to declare interest and receive information about the IUG program.

Students must fulfill all degree requirements for each degree in order to be awarded that degree, subject to the double-counting of credits as outlined below. Degree requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Information Sciences and Technology are listed in the Undergraduate Bulletin (http://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/). Degree requirements for the Master of Science in Informatics degree are listed on the Degree Requirements tab. Students must sequence their courses so all undergraduate degree requirements are fulfilled before taking courses to count solely towards the graduate degree. Students are expected to complete the undergraduate degree requirements within the typical time to degree for the undergraduate major. In the semester in which the undergraduate degree requirements will be completed, IUG students must apply to graduate, and the undergraduate degree should be conferred at the next appropriate Commencement. If students accepted into the IUG program are unable to complete the M.S. degree, they are still eligible to receive their undergraduate degree if all the undergraduate degree requirements have been satisfied.

Up to 12 credits may be double-counted towards the degree requirements for both the graduate and undergraduate degrees; a minimum of 50% of the double-counted courses must be at the 500 or 800 level. Independent study courses and credits associated with the culminating experience for the graduate degree cannot be double-counted. The required 3 credits of IST 504 will apply to both the graduate program and the undergraduate program. Students may choose an additional 9 credits to double-count for both the undergraduate and graduate degrees from the following:

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