

Specialization in Computational Neuroscience, in CS Ph.D.

4 CS core classes from list, each from a different area, with at least a B, and average GPA of 3.5:

	Area	Core Courses
1	Algorithms and data structures	CS-260 (old ICS-260)
2	Computer architecture, design	CS-250A (old ICS-241A)
3	System software	CS-241 (old ICS-211)
4	Artificial intelligence	CS-271 (old ICS-270A)
5	Networks and distributed systems	CS-232, CS-230 (old ICS 243A,242)
6	Database systems	CS-222 (old ICS-214A)
7	Principles of scientific computing	CS-206, CS-211A (old ICS 282,285)

Plus:

ICS-200 (formerly ICS-202), CS-282 (formerly ICS-276B), CS-283 (formerly ICS-276C)

Plus electives:

three classes chosen by student and approved by committee, from the following set:

CS: CS-221 (old ICS-207), CS-273A (old ICS-273A), CS-274A (old ICS-274A), CS-275 (old ICS-275A), CS-276 (old ICS-275B), CS-284A (old ICS-277A), CS-284B (old ICS-277B), CS-284C (old ICS-277C), CS-285 (old ICS-278), CS-299 (old ICS-299)

Cognitive Science (School of Soc Sci): 203A,B,C, 235M, 236, 254; 260A,B, 265A,B,C

Neurobiology & Behavior (School of Bio Sci): 208A,B, 239, 250, 253, 259

Anatomy & Neurobiology (Med School): 202B; 206B

or substitute electives approved by committee

Notes:

In CS, 221=Information Retrieval; 273A=ML; 274A=Probability; 275=Constraint Networks; 276=Belief Networks; 284A=Algorithms for Molec Bio; 284B=Probabilistic Modeling of Biol Data; 284C=Computational Systems Bio; 285=DataMining; 282=Models of the brain; 283=Cognitive & Computational Neurosci, 299=directed research, 298 = thesis research.

In Cog Sci, 203A=discrete math & probability; 203B=statistics; 203C=Experimental design; 235M=Matlab programming; 236=multivariate time series analysis; 254=human information processing; 260AB=Cognitive neuroscience; 265ABC= fMRI;

In Neuro&Beh, 208AB=Systems neuroscience; 239=functional imaging; 250=Basal ganglia; 253=sensory cortex; 259=Cortical plasticity;

In Anat&Neuro, 202B=Introductory neuroanatomy; 206B=Spec topics neuroanat

Affiliated faculty:

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Sample curricula, for illustrative purposes only:

Y1: CS 200, CS 260, CS 271, CS 282, CS 283, CS 222, CS 206

Y2: CS 232, CS 274A, CS 285, Cog Sci 260A, 260B; CS 299

Y3: CS 299; Neuro 208A, 208B, 250, 253; Anat 202B

Y4: CS 298

or:

Y1: CS200, CS 260, CS 271, CS 282, CS 283, CS 299

Y2: CS 206, CS 250A, CS 274A, Cog Sci 260A, 260B, CS 299

Y3: CS 299; Neuro 208A, 208B; Cog Sci 265A, 265B, 265C

Y4: CS 298

References for computational neuroscience specialization in CS Ph.D.

KSJ Ch 1,2

Introduction to neurobiology

Neurons, synapses, axons, dendrites

Local circuits

KSJ Ch 8,9,10

Intro to neurophysiology

Electrical and chemical transmission

Excitation, inhibition, modulation

St Ch 8,9, Sw

Intro to neuroanatomy

Telencephalic circuits

Allometry

Sh Ch 8-12

Paleocortex, neocortex

Basal ganglia

Thalamocortical loops

Corticostriatal loops

Mc Ch 1-7, Haykin, Kanerva

Intro to Neural Networks

Delta rule

Extended delta rule

Backpropagation

Competitive networks

Recurrent networks

RM Ch 9-11; Hy Ch 6-7; Dia Ch 2; Kahre

Principal components analysis

Independent components

Statistical and vector analyses

Linear algebra

Information theory

KSJ: Kandel, Schwartz and Jessell. Principles of Neural Science, McGraw-Hill, 2000.

St: Striedter. Principles of Brain Evolution, Sinauer, 2004.

Mc: McLeod, Plunkett, Rolls. Intro to Connectionist Modeling

Sh: Shepherd. Synaptic Organization of the Brain

RM: Rumelhart, McClelland. Parallel Distributed Processing

Dia: Diamantaras, Kung, Principal Component Networks, Wiley, 1996.

Sw: Swanson. Brain Architectures: Understanding the basic plan. Oxford U Press, 2003.

Hy: Hyvarinen, Karhunen, Oja: Independent Components Analysis. Wiley, 2001.

Haykin: Neural Networks, Prentice-Hall, 1999.

Kanerva: Sparse Distributed Memory, MIT Press, 1990.

Kahre: The mathematical theory of information, Kluwer, 2002.