Master of Applied Computer Science
Frequently Asked Questions

My Application

Am I qualified for this program?

We can only assess your file when we have all the required documents.

The minimum requirements are a 4-year undergraduate degree in Computer Science (or equivalent) with a minimum 70% average. (Students will typically have taken at least 12 courses in computer science as part of their undergraduate degree.)
English Language requirement is IELTS 6.5 with no band below 6.

How long will it take before I get a decision on my application?

Approximately 6 weeks from when we have received all your documents.

Have all my documents have arrived? Who can update me about my application?

Email admit@stfx.ca to ask about your application.

Do I need to submit an official transcript?

Yes. We will not assess your application without an official transcript.

There are only three exceptions:
- StFX graduates do not need a transcript for their StFX degree.
- International applicants who have had their credentials assessed through a WES comprehensive course-to-course assessment process may submit a WES report.
- International applicants who are applying with the assistance of a StFX employee in their home country should follow the instructions of that person.

My undergraduate degree was three-year degree. Will that qualify me for admission?

It might. We can only tell when we assess your transcripts. If most of your courses were in computer science, then your degree will likely qualify.

Are GRE scores required?

No.

The Program

How many people are accepted each year?

Approximately 30.

When are the intake dates?

The only intake is September.

What is the program start date?

All students **must be in class for the first day of classes**. This is crucially important. Please plan your travel accordingly.

Are scholarships available for this program?

Unfortunately, students in this program are not eligible for StFX scholarships.

International Applicants

Who can assist with my application?
If you are from India or the region: india@stfx.ca

Other countries: international@stfx.ca

How much does the program cost for International Students?

See this webpage for program fees and estimates of other costs associated with studying in Canada.

Is StFX an accredited university?

> In Canada, Universities fall under the jurisdiction of provincial & territorial governments. StFX is government-funded university that falls under the jurisdiction of the province of Nova Scotia and was created by an Act of the Province of Nova Scotia in 1866.
> StFX is a member in good standing of Universities Canada, Association of Atlantic Universities (Canada), Association of Commonwealth Universities, and the International Association of Universities. StFX is a Designated Learning Institute (DLI).

Will this program make me eligible to apply for a Post Graduate Work Permit?

> Yes.

Will I be able to work in Canada while I'm a student?

> Yes. International students may work on campus. As a full-time international student, you can work off-campus up to 20 hours per week and full-time during scheduled breaks.

How do I pre-pay my tuition? Who can help me pay the fees?

> You can find information here https://www2.mystfx.ca/financial-services/international-payment.

> Contact Student Accounts with your questions about paying fees: aservice@stfx.ca.

Do you have an office that supports International Students?

> Yes. Please contact your International Student Advisor who can support you with arrival services, immigration matters, and your transition to studying at StFX.

Living in Antigonish

Does StFX have residence options for Graduate Students?

> StFX has a wide variety of residence options. Contact the Housing Office for more information residence@stfx.ca