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1. **Proposed Change** (for undergraduate curricular changes please provide an 8-semester plan (appendix A), if applicable)

Update the bulletin to state the conditions under which the comprehensive exam is waved for the MS in Computer Science (general and emphasis options)

Adding new course CS 6273 Quantum Computing to MS Emphasis in High Performance Computing and High Performance Computing Graduate Certificate.

1. **Effective Date**

Fall 2022

1. **Justification –** *Please provide details as to why this change is necessary.*

This modification clarifies in the graduate bulletin existing departmental practice. It is well known in the Computer Science discipline that it is unlikely a post to require proficiency in all three core areas of CS studied in this MS degree (Theory, Systems and Algorithms). For example, theoreticians in CS are developing and practicing the Theory and Algorithms areas, while in the software industry the Algorithms and Systems areas are the most prevalent. In the hardware industry the Theory and Systems areas are the most practiced. This trend implies that nearly for any computer science related post (hardware or software oriented), only two out of three core areas studied in the MS program are really necessary to be mastered at the level of A grade. In this light, the departmental practice is consistent with this trend by also allowing a B grade in only one of the three core areas in the MS degree with major in Computer Science.

CS 6273 Quantum Computing gives students an opportunity to catch up with one emerging technological trend in computer science. It strengthens their careers in both academia and industry.

**Bulletin Changes**

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| **Instructions**  |
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Before

**Computer Science**

**Master of Science**

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| **University Requirements:** |  |
| See Graduate Degree Policies for additional information (p. 47) |  |
| **Program Requirements:**Minimum of eighteen hours of 6000 level Computer Science and approved Mathematics and/or Statistics coursework inclusive of thesis. Students completing the MS non-thesis option must pass a comprehensive exam in the last semester of study.  | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| **Theory:**CS 5133, Compiler **OR**CS 5723, Automata Theory | 3 |
| **Systems (select one of the following):**CS 5313, Computer NetworksCS 6213, Parallel ProcessingCS 6243, Distributed SystemsCS 6253, Heterogeneous Computing | 3 |
| **Algorithms:**CS 5713, Analysis of Algorithms | 3 |
| Computer Science Electives | 18 |
| Computer Science, Mathematics, and/or Statistics Electives, *Subject to the prior approval of the Computer Science Curriculum Committee.*  | 6 |
| **Sub-total** | **33** |
| **Total Required Hours:**  | **33** |

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| **Program Requirements:**Minimum of eighteen hours of 6000 level Computer Science and approved Mathematics and/or Statistics coursework inclusive of thesis. Students completing the MS non-thesis option must pass a comprehensive exam in the last semester of study unless they have earned at least two “A’s” and one “B” course grades from each of the three Core categories: Theory, Systems and Algorithms. | **Sem. Hrs.** |
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**Computer Science**

**Master of Science**

**Emphasis in Cyber Security**

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| See Graduate Degree Policies for additional information (p. 47) |  |
| **Program Requirements:**Minimum of eighteen hours of 6000 level Computer Science and approved Mathematics and/or Statistics coursework inclusive of thesis. Students completing the MS non-thesis option must pass a comprehensive exam in the last semester of study.  | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| **Theory:**CS 5133, Compiler **OR**CS 5723, Automata Theory | 3 |
| **Systems (select one of the following):**CS 5313, Computer NetworksCS 6213, Parallel ProcessingCS 6243, Distributed SystemsCS 6253, Heterogeneous Computing | 3 |
| **Algorithms:**CS 5713, Analysis of Algorithms | 3 |
| **Sub-total** | **9** |
| **Emphasis Area (Cyber Security):**  | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| **Core (select three of the following):**  CS 6123, Software Security CS 6313, Data Security CS 6323, Computer Security CS 6333, Network and Internet Security | 9 |
| **Emphasis Elective (select one of the following):**CS 6123, Software SecurityCS 6343, Cloud SecurityLAW 6033, Cyberlaw and E-Commerce | 3 |
| CS Electives | 6 |
| CS, MATH, and/or STAT Electives, *Subject to the prior approval of the Computer Science Curriculum Committee.*  | 6 |
| **Sub-total** | **24** |
| **Total Required Hours:**  | **33** |

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| **Program Requirements:**Minimum of eighteen hours of 6000 level Computer Science and approved Mathematics and/or Statistics coursework inclusive of thesis. Students completing the MS non-thesis option must pass a comprehensive exam in the last semester of study unless they have earned at least two “A’s” and one “B” course grades from each of the three Core categories: Theory, Systems and Algorithms. | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| **Theory:**CS 5133, Compiler **OR**CS 5723, Automata Theory | 3 |
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**Computer Science**

**Master of Science**

**Emphasis in Data Science**

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| **Program Requirements:**Minimum of eighteen hours of 6000 level Computer Science and approved Mathematics and/or Statistics coursework inclusive of thesis. Students completing the MS non-thesis option must pass a comprehensive exam in the last semester of study.  | **Sem. Hrs.** |
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| **Systems (select one of the following):**CS 5313, Computer NetworksCS 6213, Parallel ProcessingCS 6243, Distributed SystemsCS 6253, Heterogeneous Computing | 3 |
| **Algorithms:**CS 5713, Analysis of Algorithms | 3 |
| **Sub-total** | **9** |
| **Emphasis Area (Data Science):**  | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| **Core (select three of the following):** CS 5543, Database Systems CS 5623, Fundamentals of Data ScienceCS 6443, Machine LearningCS 6253, Data Mining Techniques | 9 |
| **Emphasis Elective (select one of the following):** CS 6443, Machine Learning CS 6543, Advanced Database Systems STAT 6433, Time Series AnalysisSTAT 6643, Multivariate AnalysisSTAT 6653, Data Analysis I: Regression AnalysisSTAT 6663, Data Analysis II: Analysis of Variance | 3 |
| CS Electives | 6 |
| CS, MATH, and/or STAT Electives, *Subject to the prior approval of the Computer Science Curriculum Committee.*  | 6 |
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| **Theory:**CS 5133, Compiler **OR**CS 5723, Automata Theory | 3 |
| **Systems (select one of the following):**CS 5313, Computer NetworksCS 6213, Parallel ProcessingCS 6243, Distributed SystemsCS 6253, Heterogeneous Computing | 3 |
| **Algorithms:**CS 5713, Analysis of Algorithms | 3 |
| **Sub-total** | **9** |
| **Emphasis Area (Data Science):**  | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| **Core (select three of the following):** CS 5543, Database Systems CS 5623, Fundamentals of Data ScienceCS 6443, Machine LearningCS 6253, Data Mining Techniques | 9 |
| **Emphasis Elective (select one of the following):** CS 6443, Machine Learning CS 6543, Advanced Database Systems STAT 6433, Time Series AnalysisSTAT 6643, Multivariate AnalysisSTAT 6653, Data Analysis I: Regression AnalysisSTAT 6663, Data Analysis II: Analysis of Variance | 3 |
| CS Electives | 6 |
| CS, MATH, and/or STAT Electives, *Subject to the prior approval of the Computer Science Curriculum Committee.*  | 6 |
| **Sub-total** | **24** |
| **Total Required Hours:**  | **33** |

Before

**Computer Science**

**Master of Science**

**Emphasis in High Performance Computing**

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| **University Requirements:** |  |
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| **Program Requirements:**Minimum of eighteen hours of 6000 level Computer Science and approved Mathematics and/or Statistics coursework inclusive of thesis. Students completing the MS non-thesis option must pass a comprehensive exam in the last semester of study.  | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| **Theory:**CS 5133, Compiler **OR**CS 5723, Automata Theory | 3 |
| **Systems:**CS 5313, Computer Networks | 3 |
| **Algorithms:**CS 5713, Analysis of Algorithms | 3 |
| **Sub-total** | **9** |
| **Emphasis Area (High Performance Computing):**  | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| **Core (select three of the following):** CS 6213, Parallel Processing CS 6243, Distributed Systems CS 6253, Heterogeneous Computing CS 6263, Cloud Computing | 9 |
| **Emphasis Elective (select one of the following):**CS 5223, Unix Systems ProgrammingCS 6223, Advanced Computer ArchitectureCS 6233, Operating System DesignCS 6263, Cloud Computing | 3 |
| CS Electives | 6 |
| CS, MATH, and/or STAT Electives, *Subject to the prior approval of the Computer Science Curriculum Committee.*  | 6 |
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| **Theory:**CS 5133, Compiler **OR**CS 5723, Automata Theory | 3 |
| **Systems (select one of the following):**CS 5313, Computer Networks CS 6213, Parallel Processing CS 6243, Distributed Systems CS 6253, Heterogeneous Computing  | 3 |
| **Algorithms:**CS 5713, Analysis of Algorithms | 3 |
| **Sub-total** | **9** |
| **Emphasis Area (High Performance Computing):**  | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| **Core (select three of the following if not selected above):** CS 6213, Parallel Processing CS 6243, Distributed Systems CS 6253, Heterogeneous Computing  CS 6263, Cloud Computing | 9 |
| **Emphasis Elective (select one of the following):**CS 5223, Unix Systems ProgrammingCS 6223, Advanced Computer ArchitectureCS 6233, Operating System DesignCS 6273, Quantum Computing | 3 |
| CS Electives | 6 |
| CS, MATH, and/or STAT Electives, *Subject to the prior approval of the Computer Science Curriculum Committee.*  | 6 |
| **Sub-total** | **24** |
| **Total Required Hours:**  | **33** |

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**High Performance Computing**

**Graduate Certificate**

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| **University Requirements:** |  |
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| **Program Requirements:**   | **Sem. Hrs.** |
|  CS 6213, Parallel Processing | 3 |
| CS 6253, Heterogeneous Computing | 3 |
| CS 6243, Distributed Systems  | 3 |
|  **Sub-total** | **9** |
| **Electives**   | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| **Select six hours from of the following:**  CS 5223, Unix Systems Programming CS 6223, Advanced Computer Architecture CS 6233, Operating System Design CS 6263, Cloud Computing | 6 |
| **Total Required Hours:** | **15** |

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**High Performance Computing**

**Graduate Certificate**

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| **University Requirements:** |  |
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| **Program Requirements:**   | **Sem. Hrs.** |
|  CS 6213, Parallel Processing | 3 |
| CS 6253, Heterogeneous Computing | 3 |
| CS 6243, Distributed Systems  | 3 |
|  **Sub-total** | **9** |
| **Electives**   | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| **Select six hours from of the following:**  CS 5223, Unix Systems Programming CS 6223, Advanced Computer Architecture CS 6233, Operating System Design CS 6263, Cloud Computing CS 6273, Quantum Computing | 6 |
| **Total Required Hours:** | **15** |

**Appendix A, 8-Semester Plan**

(**Referenced in #2** - **Undergraduate Proposals Only)**

*Instructions: Please identify new courses in italics*.

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| **Arkansas State University-Jonesboro****Degree:****Major:****Year:** |
| Students requiring developmental course work based on low entrance exam scores (ACT, SAT, ASSET, COMPASS) may not be able to complete this program of study in eight (8) semesters. Developmental courses do not count toward total degree hours. **Students having completed college level courses prior to enrollment will be assisted by their advisor in making appropriate substitutions. In most cases, general education courses may be interchanged between semesters.** A minimum of 45 hours of upper division credit (3000-4000 level) is required for this degree. |
| **Year 1** |  | **Year 1** |
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