Postgraduate Diploma in Science in Computer Science

Enrolment and programme information

The Postgraduate Diploma in Science (PGDipSci) is a one-year programme (when studied full time), that requires 120 points.

You will enrol in four 15-point courses in each semester.

When selecting your courses you need to choose at least 6 courses from the Computer Science schedule: **BIOSCI 700, COMPSCI 691, 701–711, 715, 720–762, 765, 767, 771-777, 780**

Please note that COMPSCI 712, 713, 714, 717, 718, 719, 764 and 769 are reserved for students in other programmes. You will not be able to enrol in these courses.

Not all courses will be offered each year.

You also have the option to take up to two courses from 700 level courses in other subjects related to Computer Science, e.g., Statistics or Information Systems. Please discuss with the PGDipSci adviser before enrolling in out-of-schedule courses to check that they are appropriate for your programme. You will need to meet the prerequisites for these courses.

Most COMPSCI courses are open to everyone in postgraduate Computer Science programmes (i.e. they do not have prerequisites), however background knowledge in the particular subject area is still required to succeed in the course. Many of the technical courses assume that you've studied relevant topics as part of your bachelor's degree. Please check the Course Prescriptions or Course Outlines for information on the course content and the recommended preparation for each course. For example, the recommended preparation for COMPSCI 742 is COMPSCI 315 *Data Communications Technologies*. If you are unsure whether you have the background knowledge required to succeed in a course we advise that you contact the relevant course coordinator to discuss this.

We also recommend that you take note of the enrolment deadlines. Within the first two weeks of semester you can add and drop courses (as long as there are spaces still available). So if after the first couple of lectures you realise that a course is not appropriate for you, you can switch to a different course.

In all cases we recommend discussing your course of study with the PGDipSci adviser.

Please take note of the calendar regulations linked below. Important points are:

- Full-time students must complete the programme within two semesters. Part-time students within four years (please discuss part-time study with the BSc(Hons) adviser).
- Students who fail more than two courses (30 points) will not be permitted to continue in the programme.

Other important information:

[Programme Information and Supplementary Guides](#)

Calendar Regulations:
https://www.calendar.auckland.ac.nz/en/progreg/regulations-science/pgdipsci.html

https://www.calendar.auckland.ac.nz/en/genregs/gen-postgrad/diplomas.html

Enrolment instructions: https://www.auckland.ac.nz/en/study/applications-and-admissions/enrolment/undergraduate-enrolment.html