

Fall 2026 Computer Science Undergraduate Course Restrictions

Please review the notes after the table for special exceptions.

Date	ST = Staggered registration indicates the following restriction schedule, in addition to any major restrictions				
4/6	CS GENG along with CS &/+ students that were first-time freshman FA23 or before and off campus transfers				
4/15	CS GENG along with CS &/+ students that were first-time freshman FA24 or before				
4/20	CS GENG along with CS &/+ students that were first-time freshman FA25 or before				
4/22	All remaining students in CS majors as time tickets are released. (FA26 will be restricted from CS 400-level courses)				
	CS GENG CS &/+	CE	All GENG Tuition	Campus	reserved seats* (if any remain)
CS 124	Open	Open	Open	Open	8/21
CS 128	Open	Open	Open	Open	8/21
CS 173	Open	Open	Open	Open	8/21-8/25
CS 210	CS ENG only FA23 & FA24, ST				8/21
CS 211	CS ENG only FA23 & FA24, ST				
CS 222	4/6 open to FA23 & FA24, 4/20 ST				
CS 225	Open	Open	Open	Open	8/21-8/25
CS 233	4/6 open to FA23 & FA24, 4/20 ST	ST	ST	ST	8/21-8/25
CS 277	ST major and non-major sections	Open	Open	Open	8/21-8/25
CS 307	ST major and non-major sections	Open	Open	Open	8/21-8/25
CS 340	Open to FA23 & FA24 CS+&/ cohort, ST See course notes for additional info	Open	Open	Open	8/21-8/25
CS 341	Open to FA23 & FA24 cohort, ST	5/1	5/5	5/7	8/21-8/25
CS 357	Open to FA23 & FA24 cohort, ST	5/1	5/5	5/7	8/21-8/25
CS 361	Open to FA23 & FA24 cohort, ST	5/1	5/5	5/7	8/21-8/25
CS 374	Open to FA23 & FA24 cohort, ST	ECE 374 ST	8/21-8/25	8/21-8/25	8/21-8/25
CS 421	Open to FA23 & FA24 cohort, ST	5/1	5/5	5/7	8/21-8/25
CS 409, 415, 418, 422, 441, 475 & 477	OPEN, these select courses will only have prereq restrictions and no first-time freshmen	Open	Open	Open	8/21-8/25
All other CS 4--	ST	5/1	5/5	5/7	8/21-8/25

The CS Department will release RESTRICTIONS on given dates. If additional release dates are announced, it will be on the CS Advising piazza. A date given does not automatically mean there will be seats available to release on that date. It is not possible to provide an exact time of day when restrictions will be released. We will attempt to adjust restrictions between the hours of 9:00am and 5:00pm on that date. If the day is busy, it may take additional time after 5:00pm.

Sign-up for the CS Advising piazza for the most up to date information about the CS advising office and CS courses:

<https://piazza.com/illinois/other/csadvising>

Students should mark sections as “Favorites” in the Class Schedule (found in Course Explorer) to be notified when additional seats have been released.

CS 124, 128, 173 and 233 all have sections dedicated to only those currently in one of the CS majors and a separate section for non-majors. The non-major section of each course will be open to all cohorts except for CS 233. It will be open to all FA 24 and earlier, the open to FA25 on 4/20.

CS 210 and CS 211 will open to FA24 cohort on and earlier from the start and FA 25 on 4/20. First time freshman will be restricted. Students must meet prerequisites and have junior standing. If there are any remaining seats, only the CS 210 section will open to non-majors.

CS 277 and CS 307 will have a major section for DS majors and a separate section for all other majors. The major and non-major section will follow the staggered registration dates.

CS 340 will exclude Grainger CS Engineering students to be able to register from all sections. There will be a limited number of seats available for non-majors. If you receive a “reserved closed” error message, all non-major seats are currently full.

All 400 level CS courses will restrict the first-time freshman from enrolling in the course, and prerequisites will be enforced. To find out the prerequisites for a course, look at the entry for the course in the Class Schedule found in Course Explorer. It will also list in the section notes any other restrictions on the course.

<https://courses.illinois.edu/schedule/2026/fall>

CE majors will have access to CS 400 levels on 5/1 except for CS 491 and CS 498 sections.

New This Semester

The CS courses listed will not have restrictions from the start of the semester. Prerequisites will still be enforced.

CS 409

CS 415

CS 417

CS 418

CS 422

CS 441

CS 475

CS 477