

ACADEMIC PROGRAM REVIEW

REVIEW SUMMARY FOR DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

(1) REVIEW DETAILS

Unit Reviewed:	<i>Department of Computer Science</i>
Programs Reviewed:	<i>Bachelor of Science Three-Year – Computer Science</i> <i>Bachelor of Science Four-Year – Computer Science</i> <i>Bachelor of Science Honours Software Engineering Option – Computer Science</i> <i>Bachelor of Science Double Honours – Computer Science</i> <i>Bachelor of Science Four-Year – Applied Computing</i> <i>Bachelor of Science Honours – Applied Computing</i> <i>Certificate in Computing</i> <i>Computer Science Internship Program – Computer Science</i> <i>Master of Science – Computer Science (Thesis-based)</i> <i>Master of Science – Applied Computing (Thesis-based)</i> <i>Master of Science – Computer Science/Applied Computing (Accelerated Masters Pathway - Thesis-based)</i> <i>Doctor of Philosophy – Computer Science</i> <i>Doctor of Philosophy – Applied Computing</i>
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Date and Type of Review:	<i>March 19-20, 2026 (On Site Review)</i>

(2) STAKEHOLDER PARTICIPATION

The Review Team were provided with a facilities tour and also consulted with many stakeholders as part of the review, including having in-person meetings with the following personnel:

- Faculty
- Undergraduate students
- Graduate students
- Administrative support staff
- Technical support staff
- Alumni
- External partners
- Department Head
- College leadership (Arts and Science, Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies)

- Deputy Provost

(3) SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

The Review Team's External Review Report included a number of findings and observations for consideration. Recommendations were primarily in the areas of (sorted alphabetically):

- Academic and/or administrative policies and/or processes
- Accessibility to enrollment data
- Administrative/support staff complement size
- Communication with students
- Curriculum design and/or review
- Faculty complement size and/or areas of focus
- Faculty support for research funding opportunities
- Strategic planning, reviews, and/or retreats
- Student recruitment
- Teaching support

(4) IMPLEMENTATION OF ENHANCEMENTS, MONITORING AND DATE OF NEXT REVIEW

The Department Head and Dean (Arts and Science) are responsible for building an action plan and the implementation of any recommendations in the External Review Report which were supported and/or agreed with in terms of the response from the academic unit. The Department Head is expected to provide a progress update to the Office of the Provost and VP Academic within 2 years of the completion of the review, which in this instance, is April 2028.

The next review of the department and its programs will be initiated no later than the 2035/36 academic year.

(5) DISTRIBUTION

Updates on the status of this review, including implementation progress in the years following review completion, will be provided to Academic Programs Committee.

The Self-Study Report, External Review Report, and the Academic Unit Response, are all shared with the following stakeholders: College/Department leaders, Dean of College of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, Teaching Innovation and Strategic Initiatives, and the Deputy Provost.

Inquiries into further details about the process and outcomes of this review can be submitted to the [Assessment and Analytics Team](#) within the Office of the Provost and Vice-President Academic.