

Bachelor of Science (B.S.)
Software Engineering
MTH 110 Start

2025 – 2026
Catalog Year

1st Year				
Fall		Winter		Spring/Summer
MTH 110: Algebra	4	MTH 124: Precalculus	5	
COM 201: Speech	3	CIS 162: Computer Science 1	4	
General Education	3	Science Elective	4	
WRT 120: Strategies in Writing – Stretch 1 or General Education	3	WRT 130: Strategies in Writing – Stretch 2 or WRT 150: Strategies in Writing	3	
Total	13	Total	16	
2nd Year				
Fall		Winter		Spring/Summer
CIS 163: Computer Science 2	4	CIS 241: System Level Programming & Utilities	3	
MTH 225: Discrete Structures: CS 2	3	MTH 325: Discrete Structures: CS 2	3	
MTH 201: Calculus 1	4	CIS 350: Intro to Software Engineering	3	
STA 215: Intro to Statistics	3	CIS 290: Professional Responsibilities & Practices	3	
		MTH 204: Linear Algebra 1	3	
Total	14	Total	15	
3rd Year				
Fall		Winter		Spring/Summer
CIS 353: Database	3	SE 413: Software Testing	3	CIS 490: Internship 2-5
CIS 352: Operating Systems Essentials	3	SE 422: Software Architecture and Design	3	General Education 3
CIS 263: Data Structures and Algorithms	4	Science Elective	4	
MTH/STA Elective	3	SE Track Elective	3	
		SE 437: Software Quality Assurance	3	
Total	13	Total	16	Total 5-8
4th Year				
Fall		Winter		Spring/Summer
CIS 418: Secure Software Engineering	3	SE 495: SE Capstone Project	3	
SE 430: Software Construction and Delivery	3	SE Track Elective	3	
SE Track Elective	3	SE Track Elective	3	
MTH/STA Elective	3	WRT 350: Business Communication (SWS)	3	
General Education	3	General Education	3	
Total	15	Total	15	

- This is a suggested curriculum guide that might not be applicable to every student
- This suggested course sequence is intended as a general guide and may need to be adjusted based on course availability
- Student must have a **minimum of 120 credits** to graduate, with **58 of the 120 credits** being from a senior level institution and the **final 30 of the 120 credits** completed at GVSU

General Education Requirements	
WRT 150: Strategies in Writing (grade of "C" or higher required) or WRT 120 and WRT 130 (grade of "C" or higher required in both)	Life Sciences
Physical Sciences	Philosophy and Literature
Arts	Mathematical Sciences (MTH 201)
Social Behavioral Sciences (COM 201)	Social Behavioral Sciences
Historical Analysis	U.S. Diversity
Global Perspectives	2 Supplemental Writing Skills Courses (prerequisite: WRT 130 or WRT 150)
Issue Course (prerequisite: must have 55+ credits)	Issue Course (prerequisite: must have 55+ credits)

Major Notes:

- 1.) MTH/STA Elective: Please select two of the following courses: MTH 202, MTH 205, MTH 465, STA 216, STA 318, STA 323 or STA 418.
- 2.) Science Cognate: Students may choose from BIO 120, BIO 121, BMS 202, CHM 115, CHM 116, GEO 111, PHY 220, PHY 221, PHY 230 and PHY 231.
 - a. The Physical Sciences and Life Sciences categories can be met by careful selection of CS science cognate courses. For example: BIO 120 and GEO 111 will fulfill the Life Sciences and Physical Sciences categories, respectively. Together, they fulfill the CS science cognate requirement.
- 3.) SE Track Electives: Take four classes within one track:
 - a. Track: Mobile and Web Application Development: CIS 357, CIS 363, CIS 404/504, CIS 371
 - b. Track: Software and System Security: CIS 258, CIS 358, CIS 437, CIS 453, CIS 457, CIS 458, SE 436, CYB 420/520
 - c. Track: Intelligent Software Systems: AI 201, AI 402, AI 411, AI 431, AI 441, AI 445, AI 451, CIS 363, CIS 378, SE 436
 - d. Track: Human-Centric Software Systems: AI 402, CIS 320, CIS 376, CIS 404
 - e. Track: Cloud and Edge Computing: AI 201, AI 441, CIS 371, CIS 373, CIS 437, CIS 457, CIS 458, SE 431, SE 436
 - f. Track: Game Development and AR/VR: CIS 367, CIS 373, CIS 376, CIS 404/504
 - g. Track: Project Management: CIS 450, CIS 460, MGT 300, MKT 300
- 4.) CIS 490 can be taken as 2-5 credits. Students will work with the Computing Internship Coordinator to determine the best amount of credits for them.
- 5.) It is highly encouraged for students to "double dip" their general education requirements when possible.
 - a. Consider taking a course that fulfills the U.S. Diversity category and one Social and Behavioral Science course.
 - b. Consider taking a course that fulfills the Global Perspectives category and one Issues course.
- 6.) Two Supplemental Writing Skills (SWS) courses are required for graduation. WRT 350 will fulfill one SWS requirement. The remaining SWS requirement can be fulfilled via a general education category.