

The following curriculum-related changes to graduate programs will be presented by the Committee on Graduate Education as separate motions for your consideration:

1. Updated Bridge Courses for All MS Programs in the CS Department

In an effort to simplify student admission, the CS Department will unify the bridge courses for all its MS programs. Specifically, the list of bridge courses listed below will apply to the *MS Computer Science, MS Data Science, MS Cyber Security and Privacy, MS Software Engineering, MS Computing and Business, and MS Bioinformatics.*

Bridge courses:

- CS 280 Programming Language Concepts
- CS 332 Principles of Operating Systems
- CS 505 Programming, Data Structures and Algorithms
- CS 506 Foundations of Computer Science

2. Full-time Status of PhD Students (enrolled for the first time in Fall 2015 or later)

PhD students with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or better who have not taken the QE or who have failed the QE can register for only **a one** 700-level course in a single semester.