SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

Admission Requirements

Applicants apply for admission to the program via the Graduate School application for admission (https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-admissions/how-to-apply/). Requirements listed here are in addition to Graduate Council policies listed under GCAC-300 Admissions Policies (https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/).

Admission to the Master of Software Engineering program will be based on baccalaureate academic records, applicable work experience, and two letters of recommendation from a previous professor or supervisor who can attest to the applicant's academic potential. Applicants with an undergraduate degree in software engineering, computer science, information systems, or similar quantitative disciplines such as science or engineering may apply. Students from other disciplines will be considered based on prior course work and/or standardized test scores. Normal admission requirements include background in operating systems, programming languages, data structures and algorithm analysis. Applications must include a statement of professional goals and a curriculum vitae or resume. Test scores from the GMAT or GRE exams are not required. An undergraduate cumulative grade-point average of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale is required prior to admission to the IUG program.

The language of instruction at Penn State is English. English proficiency test scores (TOEFL/IELTS) may be required for international applicants. See GCAC-305 Admission Requirements for International Students (https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/gcac/gcac-300/gcac-305-admission-requirements-international-students/) for more information.