

# 2024 CS Curriculum Changes and Transition Plan

The computer science department is making some changes to its curriculum during the 2023-24 academic year that will be finalized in Fall 2024. The changes are:

- Removing the BS specialization in business and the BS specialization in math.
- Revising the BA program to provide more flexibility.
- Retiring CPSC 3700 The Art of Web Design.

This document describes the transition plan for these changes. Note the BS (general option) is not affected by these changes.

## Removal of BS specializations

- The BS specializations (business and math) will be removed at the beginning of Fall 2024.
- Current students can switch to a BS specialization before **January 31st, 2024**. The department will no longer accept switches after January 31st, 2024.
- Students that are in a BS specialization are allowed to continue until graduation.
- Students in the business specialization should be aware that CPSC 3700 is being retired – see more below.

## Revised BA

- The modified BA has these changes:
  - Students must take any two 3000-level CPSC courses out of CPSC 3200, 3300, 3400, and 3500. Currently, students must take CPSC 3300, 3400, and 3700.
  - Students must take three CPSC electives (15 credits, 3000-level or higher). Currently, students must take two electives.
- Students enrolled in the BA program prior to Fall Quarter 2024 have the option of remaining in the current catalog or switching to the modified BA.
- Students that remain in the current BA program should be aware that CPSC 3700 is being retired – see more below.

## Retirement of CPSC 3700

- CPSC 3700 The Art of Web Design will be offered for the final time in Spring 2024.
- Students in the business specialization or current BA who need the course are advised to take the course in Spring 2024.
  - CPSC 3700 is a lab-based course that is constrained by the number of seats in the lab so space is not guaranteed for all students who wish to take the course.
- Students who are unable to take CPSC 3700 in Spring 2024 can satisfy the CPSC 3700 requirement by taking any 3000-level or 4000-level computer science course that is NOT being used to fulfill another major requirement or elective. This option is also available for students who would rather take a different course than CPSC 3700.