



Integrated Degree Program

sh of research. The final written thesis will be a formal document describing the research and will be prepared in accordance with the requirements of the School of Graduate Studies.

Plan 2: The Project Option requires 35 of coursework and 15 of directed study research. A final written report on the research project is required.

The successful completion of a final oral examination covering the research project or thesis

awarding assistantships. Teaching Assistants must maintain a 3.0 exhibit satisfactory progress toward their degrees, and satisfactory perform their assigned duties in order to retain their assistantship

Western Illinois University is an Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity a strong commitment to diversity. In that spirit, we are particularly interested applications from a broad spectrum of people, including, but not limited women, and individuals with disabilities. WIU has a non-discrimination policy includes sex, race, color, sexual orientation, gender identity and gender age, marital status, national origin, disability, and veteran status.

Faculty Expertise

Department faculty have a variety of experiences, degrees, and interests. The faculty have doctorates from such universities as Florida State University, Illinois Institute of Technology, Indian Institute of Science, Northwestern University, Southern Methodist University, SUNY Buffalo, University of Illinois, University of Iowa, and University of Western Ontario. Their current research interests are in the areas of artificial intelligence, computer architecture, databases, distributed processing, graphics, languages, networking, simulation, and software engineering.

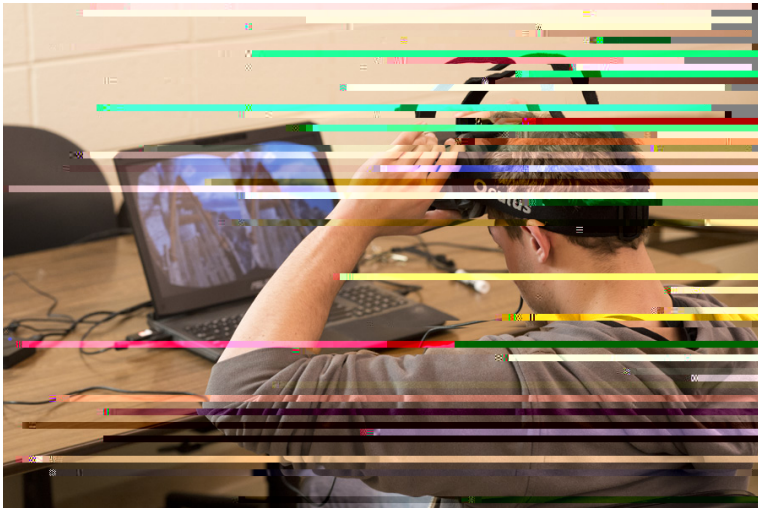
Computer Facilities

At Western, you will have access to a large IBM mainframe and SUN computers, and we have large laboratories of the latest microcomputers and networking equipment. Our access to computing equipment and software is as good as any university in the United States. It is our goal to give you experience on a variety of computing equipment and the associated software so that you can judge which types of resources are best suited for the problems you encounter during your working career.



Student Activities

We strongly believe there is much more to education than books and labwork, though these are important. We advise our students to be involved in other activities such as music, theatre, intramural sports, student newspaper, student government, and, of course, the Computer Science Association (CSA). CSA is one place where you will be able to meet and learn from others with similar interests and where you can learn about the latest advances through field trips and special presentations. We believe that these activities are a vital part of your total education. Western's School of Computer Science also hosts a chapter of the National Honorary Computer Society Phi Epsilon. This society provides special recognition to outstanding Computer Science majors.



“As a Database Administrator for a Fortune 500 company, I have found that the Computer Science grad provided me the tools necessary to be highly successful in the business world.”

– Tim Hennings, MS, 199