Applied Computer Science Program Podcast

Hello, my name is Amanda and I am a staff member in The Graduate School at Grand Valley State University. Thank you for taking the time to learn more about GVSU's Master of Science in Applied Computer Science program. Today we're going to cover the admissions process, program requirements, and the qualities that distinguish this program.

Let's start by explaining to you what this program entails. Through lecture and lab courses, the Master of Science in Applied Computer Science will enhance the skillset of current information technology professionals, as well as prepare students to become software developers. This is a 33 credit hour program and can be completed in 2 years as a full-time student or longer as a part-time student.

Jobs in the Applied Computer Science profession are expected to increase 17% by 2024.

Standard GVSU admission requirements include completion of the online application as well as a Bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education. Your application must include official transcripts, and if English is not your native language you must provide scores from one of our approved standardized tests such as the TOEFL, IELTS, MELAB, or the PTE Academic. There is a $30 nonrefundable application fee, however this fee is waived if you attended GVSU previously or are currently attending GVSU.

In addition, the Master of Science in Applied Computer Science program requires that applicants submit a letter of intent explaining their interest in the program.

More details as well as the online application can be found on the Applied Computer Science program website, www.gvsu.edu/grad/cis.

The great news about GVSU's graduate programs is that tuition rates for Michigan resident and non-resident students are the same. In other words, there are no extra costs for being an out of state student. Current tuition costs and information about scholarships and financial aid can be found at www.gvsu.edu/financialaid or by calling 616-331-3234. For information on graduate assistantships, please contact The Graduate School at gradschool@gvsu.edu.

The Master of Science in Applied Computer Science is a 33 credit hour program. 15 of these credit hours will cover foundations and core courses. An additional 9 credit hours will be dedicated to a student-chosen concentration area. 3 credit hours will count towards a culminating master's project. For a complete listing of all courses please visit www.gvsu.edu/grad/cis.

The Master of Science in Applied Computer Science program is very flexible. Our program serves working professionals who want to pursue graduate study on a part-time basis, as well as full-time and international students. The program has outstanding faculty who integrate their teaching and research, and regularly publish both nationally and internationally. This program also utilizes state-of-the-art facilities including a nationally recognized networking and data communication teaching laboratory, a Linux laboratory, an architecture laboratory, and student research project rooms.

That is just a snapshot of the Master of Science in Applied Computer Science graduate program at Grand Valley State University. We hope that you will consider applying to a graduate program at GVSU. Any questions can be directed to the Graduate Program Director, Dr. Robert Adams, at adamsr@gvsu.edu or to The Graduate School at gradschool@gvsu.edu. Thank you for your time and we hope you have enjoyed this podcast.