Qualifications for the program are that students must be junior or senior Computer Science majors with a minimum GPA of 3.0 to apply. Core or elective courses may be taken at the University de Nantes. Selected students need to complete an admissions application for University de Nantes. Wayne State students at University de Nantes shall be enrolled as regular students.
About the University

Ecole Polytechnique de l'Université de Nantes – called “Polytech’Nantes” – is a School of Engineering, which provides diversified academic and research programs in a variety of scientific and technological fields: Electrical Engineering, Electronic Systems and Computer Engineering; Computer Science; Thermal Sciences and Material Sciences.

Polytech’Nantes was created in January 2000 as the result of the merging three former colleges of the University of Nantes. The Polytech’Nantes objectives are to provide a high level of excellence in teaching and research. More than 1,200 undergraduate and graduate students study on two campuses - one located on the Loire River; the other close to the Atlantic Ocean.

Our permanent faculty and research staff is about 140. As part of the University of Nantes' education system, students have access to the resources of the 15 schools (Grande Ecole), including 2,200 researchers and 200 research laboratories.

The City of Nantes

Nantes is France’s sixth largest city, located on the Loire River, 50 km (32 miles) from the Atlantic Ocean. The metropolitan area is central to such tourist destinations as the Atlantic coast and the regions of Brittany, Anjou and the Vendée. Metropolitan Nantes is home to approximately 550,000 residents. Thirty-five percent of the population is below the age of 25 years.

Climate – Nantes has an oceanic climate with an overall average temperature of 12°C (54°F). Summers are warm, averaging 18.5°C (65°F). Winters are mild and rainy, averaging 5°C (41° F).

Tourism – Nantes in the fourth most visited destination in France. There are more than 150 km (90 miles) of waterways, 180 km (110 miles) of walkways and 225 km (140 miles) of cycle paths in and around the metropolitan area. Three pleasure boat harbors provide a wonderful view of the city and surrounding waterways. There are more than 5000 hotel rooms available year-round.

Economy - The city of Nantes ranks first in France’s building industry, second in the wholesale trade market, third financially and fifth in information technology services.

About the Department

At Polytech’Nantes, engineering students are trained in fundamental engineering sciences and techniques. The general theoretical and practical courses are backed up by specific training in the key fields of each department. The Computer Science curriculum includes course work in Databases, Distributed Systems, Networking, Internet and intranet, Multimedia systems, Knowledge-Based Systems, and Software Engineering.

Contact the Department directly at direction.silr@polytech.univ-nantes.fr