Welcome talk
MSc in Advanced Computing
MSc in Computer Science
2015-16

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*Note: The years 2001 to 2015 are listed in the table.*
Information

Email:
• All important announcements sent to your UoB email address. Check often.

Dept. website:
www.cs.bris.ac.uk/Teaching/conversion/
www.cs.bris.ac.uk/Teaching/advanced/
• Secure parts need your UoB password.

SAFE website:
wwwa.fen.bris.ac.uk
• Used for coursework and marks/results.
Help

Admin:
• Contact Magda (2.19a MVB):
  Magda.Majdylo@bristol.ac.uk

Academic:
• Contact your programme director, who also acts as your personal tutor:
  steve@cs.bris.ac.uk   csxor@bristol.ac.uk

Other:
• MSc senior tutor
• Head of Dept.
Meeting programme directors

MS50 (Conversion):
– Welcome talk: to be announced

MS51/52/56 (Advanced):
I will be available in 3.21 Merchant Venturers Building (MVB):
– Tuesday 14:00-15:30
– Thursday 13:00-16:00
Just drop in, or email any time.
Programming test (MS51/52/56)

- For Advanced Computing students there will be NO programming test to determine your level of programming knowledge.

- Advanced Computing students should be proficient in C or C++ programming already.

- If you are not confident in your C proficiency, you can attend some or all COMSM1211 (Programming in C) lectures, not for credit.
Choosing options (MS51/52/56)

• YOU need to choose your options!
• Soon you will be asked to enter these into our computer system (SAFE).
• If you have not entered your options by the deadline, default options will be automatically assigned for you, so that you can start attending on Monday 28\textsuperscript{th}. 
Further information

When choosing your options, pay attention to WHEN they are taught.

• You need to balance your work equally between the first and second semesters.

• Remember that you have compulsory units in your programmes to include in your calculation.

• You should not exceed 70 credit points of taught units per semester (60 is ideal)
Each unit in the department has a student limit.

- It is unlikely, but possible that one or more of your options does not have capacity to take you.
- We will do our best to ensure that all recommended choices are available to students on their programmes.
- But, in case you are unlucky, please have a backup choice in mind.
Help!? 

- Confused about the rules? Wondering about what units to take? Need advice?
- Just drop in to 3.21 (MVB) this week:
  - Tuesday 14:00-15:30
  - Thursday 13:00-16:00
- Or email steve@cs.bris.ac.uk any time.