Welcome
To The MSc Computing (Specialisms)

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To The MSc Computing Specialism Programme

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Overall Structure

• Autumn Term (Term 1): Courses + Examinations
• Spring Term (Term 2): Courses + Examinations
• Summer Term (Term 3): Individual Project

MCSS
Degree Classification

- Distinction
- Merit
- Pass

There are no Certificates or Diplomas for partial completion of the course.
Prizes

• Best group project
• Best individual project
• Top students
How to Put Together Your Degree

9 Modules  
(Terms 1 & 2)  
(Some specialised and some “free”)

+  
Individual Project  
(Term 3)  
(In specialised area)
Specialism web sites

Example:

http://www.imperial.ac.uk/computing/current-students/pg-info/mcs-ml/
How to Choose Your 9 Modules

• Check the web site for your specialism.
• Every specialism has one or more compulsory courses.
• Be very careful about the constraints.
• Check the timetable (some courses may clash).
• If two courses clash on the timetable their exams will also clash.
• Distribute your courses well over the two terms.
• Do not make late changes in your selection of courses.
Pre-requisites

Course 496
Mathematics for Machine Learning
is required for:

• 424 Reinforcement Learning
• 433 Advanced Robotics
• 493 Probabilistic Inference
• 460 Deep Learning
ISO (Independent Study Option)

• One of the 9 modules can be ISO which takes place in term 2.

• What is an ISO?
Directed reading + Research under the guidance of a supervisor.
Assessed by a dissertation and a viva.

• Can be done only in term 2.
ISO: Further Information

There is a presentation on Tuesday 9-10 in room 311.
Some Notes on the Timetables

• The timetable has all the courses offered to all specialisms.
• Weeks may differ from one another.
• Changes occur from time to time.
• Please check your timetables frequently.
More Notes on the Timetables

Not part of the course. For interest only and free to attend:

- Wednesday pm Machine Learning Seminars
- Applications of Computing in Industry
Applications of Computing in Industry : Lecture Series

http://www.imperial.ac.uk/computing/industry/aci/
Noticeboard:
http://www.imperial.ac.uk/computing/current-students/course-admin/noticeboards/msc/

Cate

Notes/Tutorials/Courseworks
Credit Subscriptions for Examinations
Personal Records
College MasterClass Programme

http://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/pg/graduate-school/professional-skills/masters/

Courses are free.
Compulsory online plagiarism awareness course

For masters students

http://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/pg/graduate-school/professional-skills/masters/online/
Getting feedback from you

• Student representatives

• Regular meetings with me

• Staff-student Committee
This can be a great year for you.

- Enjoy the course
- Enjoy the department
- Enjoy the College
- Enjoy London
You will find it difficult to do well if you:

Get a part-time job
If you feel like this …..
Come and talk to someone. We will try hard to help!

You can talk to

- Personal tutor
- Departmental Senior Tutor
- Faculty Senior Tutor
- College Counsellors
Introducing

**MSc Specialism Co-ordinator and Senior Teaching Fellow**

Dr. Tim Kimber
Interested in doing a PhD?

• UKRI Centre for Doctoral Training (CDT) in Safe and Trusted Artificial Intelligence (STAI)
• https://www.kcl.ac.uk/informatics/research/safe-trusted-ai
• To train the first generation of AI scientists and engineers in methods of safe and trusted AI.
• If you are interested in learning more come along to the Information Session:
  16th October 4.00-4.30
  Room 145
College-Wide Centres and Facilities

Welfare Support

Disability Advisory Service
http://www3.imperial.ac.uk/disabilityadvisoryservice

Student Counselling service
http://www3.imperial.ac.uk/counselling
College-Wide Centres and Facilities: Student Hub

http://www3.imperial.ac.uk/studenthub

Location: Level 3, Sherfield Building

Services: One stop shop:

- Accommodation
- Tuition Fees
- Student Records
- International Student Enquiries
- Special Examination Arrangements
- Exam Results, Official Letters, etc.
College-Wide Centres and Facilities

- New Students
  [http://www3.imperial.ac.uk/students/newstudents](http://www3.imperial.ac.uk/students/newstudents)
- Centre for Academic English
  [http://www.imperial.ac.uk/academic-english](http://www.imperial.ac.uk/academic-english)
- Graduate Students’ Union (GSU)
  [https://www.imperialcollegeunion.org/news/graduate-students-union-needs-you](https://www.imperialcollegeunion.org/news/graduate-students-union-needs-you)
Examinations
They are at various times of the year

- **December:** Examinations of term 1 taught courses
- **January:** Prolog Programming examination
- **March:** Examinations of term 2 taught courses
- **May:** ISO Assessment
- **September:** Individual Project Assessment
Late Coursework Submission Policy

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