FSU’s Online Master’s in Applied Computer Science Ranked Seventh Most Affordable in U.S. by GradSchoolHub.com

FSU’s online Master of Science in Applied Computer Science has been ranked seventh on GradSchoolHub.com’s current listing of the 10 most affordable online master’s of computer science degrees for 2018.

To create a list of the most affordable online programs, GradSchoolHub.com first turned to the NCES College Navigator Database to look for computer science master’s degree online and found 40 programs of this type in the nation. The company then looked at the in-state tuition charged by each school, which is what most charge of online students, to find the top 10 most affordable programs.

FSU’s online MS in Applied Computer Science offers flexibility for working computer science professionals, including an optional introductory track for individuals with no computer science background. Enrollees can specialize in a database concentration or a general computer science specialization. The program features a number of traditional and unique electives, including robotics and computer control, interactive computer graphics, web development and programming, and special topics in data mining and data warehousing.

Recent FSU graduates can earn their MS in Applied Computer Science in as little as one year. Career changers on the optional introductory track can earn their degree in one and a half to two years. GradSchoolHub.com estimates FSU’s tuition at $9,540 a year.

GradSchoolHub.com is an online service that provides expert information on high-quality accredited graduate degree programs offered by the nation’s best universities to help prospective students find the program that best fits their needs.

To view GradSchoolHub.com ranking of the 10 Most Affordable Online Master’s of Computer Science, visit https://www.gradschoolhub.com/affordable/online/masters/computer-science.

For info about FSU’s Master’s in Applied Computer Science program, visit https://www.frostburg.edu/academics/majors/minors/graduate/ms-applied-computer-science/index.php, call the Office of Graduate Services at 301-687-7053 or email gradservices@frostburg.edu.

CES at FSU Presents ‘CATAPULT: The Amazing Magic of Shadow Dance’

CES at FSU will present “CATAPULT: The Amazing Magic of Shadow Dance” on Tuesday, Oct. 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the Pealer Center Drama Theatre.

This family-friendly performance inventively merges shadows, movement and storytelling to create a spellbinding experience for audiences. With a giant silkscreen, lighting and music, the dancers create captivating silhouettes, allowing them to tell stories without uttering a single word. The company, created by Adam Battelstein of the legendary dance company Pilobolus, appeared as finalists on the popular television show “America’s Got Talent.”
Dance Spirit magazine proclaimed that Catapult is “exactly what it sounds like: a super, mega, deluxe version of shadow theater.”

Tickets are $25 for adults and $15 for youth under 18. Member, military and group discount rates are also available. For info or to order tickets, visit CES’ webpage at ces.frostburg.edu or contact the CES box office at 1-866-849-9237 or 301-687-3137. The box office, located in the FSU Lane University Center, is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Theatre**

### FSU’s Department of Theatre and Dance to Present ‘Detroit ’67’

From left, Kahri Blackman (Lank), Dazinsky Muscadin (Sly), Jha'Neal Stoute (Chelle) and Najah James (Bunny) rehearse a scene from “Detroit ’67.”

FSU’s Department of Theatre and Dance will kick off its 2018–19 season with Dominique Morisseau’s play, “Detroit ’67,” on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 12 and 13, and Thursday through Saturday, Oct. 18 to 20, at 7:30 p.m., with a matinee on Oct. 13 at 2 p.m. Directed by FSU’s Nicole Mattis, the performances will take place in the F. Perry Smith Studio Theatre of the Pealer Center.

“Detroit ’67” begins in July of that year, when siblings Chelle and Lank host an unlicensed after-hours joint in their basement to make ends meet. While the vibrant sounds of Motown create a soundtrack for dreaming, hope and escape, the Detroit streets erupt with racial divide, police brutality and chaos. When Lank offers shelter to a mysterious stranger, tensions in the family rise and the dangers of the streets creep closer to home. Winner of the Edward M. Kennedy Prize for Drama Inspired by American History, this riveting play looks back to a turbulent time in history and guides us to reflect on the issues of today.

Season subscriptions are available until Oct. 20. For $60, Season Subscribers receive discounted tickets to five shows, as well as reserved seats for all performances. Individual tickets are $15 for general admission and $7 for students.

For info, call the Theatre and Dance box office at 301-687-7462, Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 3 p.m.

**Presentations**

### FSU Hosting Free Intellectual Property Workshop

Intellectual property (IP) – for established businesses, startup entrepreneurs, inventors and others – can be extremely valuable, but the concept can be confusing. To help untangle the mystery, FSU will offer an Intellectual Property Workshop on Tuesday, Sept. 25, from 2:30 to 5 p.m. in Gira Center room 397. The event is free and open to the public with registration.

FSU’s IP Workshop will include a networking opportunity, an expert presentation on IP strategies and a panel discussion about firsthand experiences with protecting IP.

Patricia Campbell, professor of law at the University of Maryland’s Carey Law School, will present “Intellectual Property Strategies for Startups and Entrepreneurs.” Campbell is also director of the IP Law Program and director of the Maryland Intellectual Property Legal Resource Center.

The panel discussion, “The IP Journey: Lessons Learned From Entrepreneurs,” will be moderated by Anne Balduzzi, an early pioneer of the Internet. Balduzzi serves as TEDCO’s director of Advisory Services where she runs the Rural Business Innovation Initiative, the Rural Pre-Seed Fund and TEDCO’s Network Advisors program.

The discussion will feature three panelists with varying experiences in the IP arena.

To register for the IP Workshop, visit www.tedcorbii.com and click the registration link. For the complete release, visit https://events.frostburg.edu/event/free_intellectual_property_workshop.

### Department of Geography Brown Bag – ‘Effects Earthquakes Have on Potable Water’

FSU’s Department of Geography will present its first brown bag session of the fall semester, “Effects Earthquakes Have on Potable Water,” on Tuesday, Sept. 25, from 12:30 to 1 p.m. in Gunter 208. This is an informal talk to engage the department and wider campus community.

In this presentation, Vanessa Mukendi, an Earth Science/Environmental Science concentration major, will discuss her environmental practicum. This is a great opportunity to hear what fellow students have been up to in an informative and informal environment. Be sure to bring your lunch!

For info, contact Dr. Bill Wetherholt at 301-687-4266.

### Dr. Yasser Elshayeb to Discuss Recent Research of the Pyramids

FSU’s departments of Visual Arts and Sociology will host a lecture, “Science and Technology to Leverage Culture and Cultural Heritage,” by Dr. Yasser Elshayeb, a professor of engineering at Egypt’s Cairo University, on Thursday, Sept. 27, from 7 to 9 p.m. in Fine Arts 118. This event is free and open to the public.

In this seminar, Elshayeb will explain how information and communication technologies can contribute to a better knowledge of various cultures and how ICT can be used to disseminate and exchange information about cultural heritage sites, as well as draw a potential strategy for the
For info, contact Dustin Davis at ddavis@frostburg.edu or Dr. Kara Rogers Thomas at krogerthomas@frostburg.edu. For the complete release, visit https://bit.ly/2OevoFZ.

**African American Lecture Series – ‘Migration in Africa’ by the Rev. Dr. Michael Okyerefo**

Okyerefo, a cultural sociologist and sociologist of religion, is an associate professor and head of the Department of Sociology at the University of Ghana. He holds a doctorate in sociology from the University of Austria, obtained a Post Graduate Certificate in Education from the University of Cambridge and was a visiting fellow at the University of Cambridge, Centre of African Studies, from October 2007 to March 2008. He has more than 16 years of teaching experience at the undergraduate and graduate levels. Okyerefo has also published a book, a number of book chapters and journal articles. He has authored more than 25 publications in his areas of teaching and research.

For info, contact Dr. James Saku, coordinator of the African American Studies Program, at 301-687-4724 or jsaku@frostburg.edu.

**Women’s Studies Presents ‘Black (Women) Power’**

Modern black women are using their power in surprising ways. Indeed it was three black women who founded Black Lives Matter, taking a central role in a new civil rights movement. This presentation looks at ways black women are harnessing their power to make societal change.

Winfrey-Harris is a writer who specializes in the ever-evolving space where current events, politics and pop culture intersect with race and gender.

Well-versed on a range of topics, including Beyoncé’s feminism, Rachel Dolezal’s white privilege and the black church and female sexuality, Winfrey-Harris has been published in media outlets, including The New York Times, Cosmopolitan, New York, Ebony, The American Prospect and Ms. She pens a regular column, “Some of Us Are Brave,” for Bitch magazine. Her work, including “No Disrespect: Black Women and the Burden of Respectability,” which first appeared in Bitch magazine, has been republished in textbooks, including The Arlington Reader (Bedford/St. Martin’s, 2013).

Winfrey-Harris has also shared her analysis on media outlets, including NPR’s “Weekend Edition” and Janet Muck’s “So Popular” on MSNBC.com, as well as university campuses nationwide, including Princeton University, Purdue University and The Ohio State University.


For info, contact Dr. Jennifer Earles at jearles@frostburg.edu.

**Music**

**CES at FSU to Open On The EDGE Series With Grammy Winners Jeff Coffin and Roy ‘Futureman’ Wooten**

Coffin, a three-time Grammy winner for his work as a member of the celebrated jazz fusion quartet, Béla Fleck and the Flecktones, began touring with the Dave Matthews Band in 2008 and officially joined the group in 2009. When not on the road with the band, he fronts his own group, Jeff Coffin and the Mu’tet. Masterful percussionist Wooten is also an inventor, scientist, composer and five-time Grammy Award winner. In addition to his work as a member of Béla Fleck and the Flecktones, he is a prolific solo musician.

Saxophonist Jeff Coffin, left, and percussionist Roy ‘Futureman’ Wooten

CES at FSU will open its 2018-19 On the EDGE series on **Wednesday, Oct. 17**, with an upbeat performance by two multiple Grammy Award-winning musicians: saxophonist Jeff Coffin from the Dave Matthews Band and percussionist Roy “Futureman” Wooten from Béla Fleck and the Flecktones. (Due to unforeseen circumstances, Rashawn Ross will not appear.) The 7:30 p.m. performance, which will be held in Lane Manicur Hall, features informal table seating, comfortable couch and armchair seating, and food and beverage options.

The evening of funky, jazzy music will also feature guest appearances from the **FSU Jazz Orchestra and FSU Department of Music jazz faculty**.
Community members are also invited to observe Coffin and Wooten as they lead a master class with student musicians from the FSU Department of Music. The 3 p.m. event will take place in room 213 of FSU’s Pealer Center. Space is limited to 50 observers; contact ces@frostburg.edu for reservations.

Performance tickets are $15 and may be ordered by visiting ces.frostburg.edu or calling 1-866-849-9237 or 301-687-3137. The CES box office, located in the Lane Center, is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**FSU Wind Ensemble to Perform Fall Concert**

FSU’s Wind Ensemble, conducted by Shannon Shaker, will present its fall concert on **Sunday, Oct. 14**, at 7 p.m. in Pealer Recital Hall.

The program will include “Dance the Joy Alive” by Dr. Nicole Piunno, “Three Ayres From Gloucester” by Hugh M. Stuart, “Poem of the Wind” by Hirokazu Fukushima and “Amparito Roca” by Jamie Teixidor, arranged by Aubrey Winter.

“Dance the Joy Alive” won the 2018 composition contest for the Arizona State University concert band. Piunno is a composer who views music as a vehicle for seeing and experiencing the realities of life. “In this piece I am using dance as a metaphor, as if to say we can act our way to feeling joyful,” she said. “In other words, we can dance the joy alive.”

The three-movement suite, “Three Ayres From Gloucester,” composed by Stuart in 1969, captures the early English folksong style with moods and dances of the common folk.

Fukushima is an active composer and arranger of band and orchestra music. His “Poem of the Wind,” composed in 2013, was written for ensemble and band in eight parts.

“Amparito Roca,” which means “the sheltered cliff,” was written in 1925 by Teixidor, a Spanish musician and composer who named it after one of his piano students, then 12-year-old Amparito Roca. It is a Spanish military march and one of the better-known pieces of Spanish music.

Admission is $10 for the general public, $5 for FSU faculty and staff, seniors and members of the military, $3 for students and free for children 12 and younger. Tickets will be available at the door. For info, contact FSU’s Department of Music at 301-687-4109.

**Readings**

**FSU’s English Honors Society Celebrates Annual Banned Books Reading**

As a way to encourage intellectual freedom, FSU will celebrate the American Library Association’s Banned Books Week with a reading event. The event will be held on **Tuesday, Oct. 2**, at 7 p.m. on the third floor of the Lewis J. Ort Library. ALA notes that the week “reminds Americans not to take this precious democratic freedom for granted.”

Banned Books Week began after a surge in the number of books that were banned or challenged due to the controversial topics they covered. A few titles from the Top 10 Challenged Books of 2017 include “Thirteen Reasons Why” by Jay Asher, “To Kill a Mockingbird” by Harper Lee and “The Kite Runner” by Khaled Hosseini.

The event is free and open to the public.

For info, contact Dr. Mary Anne Lutz, from FSU’s Department of English, at mlutz@frostburg.edu or Dr. Lea Messman-Mandicott, from the Ort Library, at lmessman@frostburg.edu or call 301-687-4395.

**Visual Arts**

**‘Femina in Toto’ Appearing at the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery**

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A dual neck vase by Erica Kempler, “Frida” by Jay Grebe Yeatts and “Virditas 1” by Virginia Frushour.

“Femina in Toto” (“Woman as a Whole”), an exhibit of digital photography and sculptural ceramic works created solely by female artists, will be on display at the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery in the Fine Arts Building through **Tuesday, Oct. 9**. This event is free and open to the public.

The featured artists are Virginia Frushour, Jay Grebe Yeatts 05 and Erica Kempler 09, women who all have deep roots in the communities of Western Maryland and have developed work specifically with this homecoming exhibition in mind.

Roper Gallery hours are 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday through Wednesday. For info, contact FSU’s Department of Visual Arts at 301-687-4797.
FSU Student Awarded Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation Wildlife Leadership Award

Josiah Freese, a senior Wildlife and Fisheries student at FSU, is a winner of the 2018 Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation’s Wildlife Leadership Award.

The program awards a $3,000 scholarship to college juniors and seniors chosen for their leadership ability, dedication to wildlife conservation and scholastic achievements. Freese, of Mount Airy, Md., is one of only 12 students nationwide to receive the award, including a one-year membership to RMEF.

Freese had advice for other students applying for the scholarship: “Make sure you keep your grades up, but also get involved in clubs and community activities. And most importantly, reapply your senior year even if you don’t win the award your junior year.”

Founded in 1984, the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to ensure the future of elk, other wildlife, their habitat and the hunting heritage. The Wildlife Leadership Award was established to recognize, encourage and promote leadership among future wildlife management professionals.

FSU to Charge Admission to Football Games

FSU’s Department of Athletics will implement an admission policy to Bobcat Stadium for all home football games this fall.

Fans will be charged $5 per person and all tickets will be general admission. FSU faculty, staff and students with a valid University ID along with one guest will be admitted for free, as well as children 17 and younger.

Bobcat supporters will experience an enhanced gameday experience due to facility upgrades at the stadium this summer. Revenue generated through this new policy will be used for future Athletic Department initiatives.

Fans are encouraged to purchase tickets before gameday by visiting www.frostburgsports.com/tickets or by using a smartphone to display their purchased tickets. Printing tickets in advance will expedite getting into Bobcat Stadium on gamedays.

Open Houses/Webinar Offered for FSU’s New Physician Assistant Master’s Degree Program

Open houses for prospective physician assistant students will be offered on Saturday, Sept. 29, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Wednesday, Oct. 3, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the University System of Maryland at Hagerstown, 32 W. Washington St. A webinar will be offered on Friday, Sept. 28, from 1 to 2 p.m. Advance registration is required.

For info or to register for the information sessions, visit www.frostburg.edu/grad.

FSU Social Justice Summit Coming Up in October

The year 2018 brings with it the 20th year of FSU’s Diversity Retreat. In celebration of the 20th anniversary, the retreat has been renamed “The FSU Social Justice Summit.” This event provides FSU students with the opportunity to increase their awareness surrounding issues of diversity, equity and inclusion. Action plans developed during the weekend will assist them in being agents of positive change on campus.

This weekend-long event gives students the chance to learn more about themselves, engage in discussions with other students on a variety of issues and create strategies for implementing social change. The 2018 Social Justice Summit will be held Friday, Oct. 5, through Sunday, Oct. 7. Registration is free and the event is open to all FSU students.

Social justice is the continuous process of eliminating ignorance and prejudice through education and advocacy to bring about greater equity among all members of society and ensuring no dimension of identity is oppressed by society as a whole. Social justice is a process in which people strive to eliminate the roots of oppression through education and the redistribution of resources, opportunities and responsibilities. In the pursuit of social justice, education must be used as a tool to empower people so that they can eliminate the oppression of all. It involves acting as one to create an open, equitable and just society.

Learning outcomes for summit participants include the following goals:

- Be able to articulate concepts and terminology, including social justice, privilege, power, oppression, marginalization and intersectionality, related to social justice
- Be able to recognize their intersectional social identities in relation to privilege, power and oppression
- Be able to articulate how concepts of privilege, power and oppression operate within the FSU community and larger society
- Be able to explain how they will incorporate learning from the summit into their daily practices

Faculty and staff are asked to inform their students of this opportunity, encourage their participation (perhaps even giving credit for participation) and refer them to the Center for Student Diversity, Equity and Inclusion for more information.
Fall Career and Internship Fair

The Fall Career and Internship Fair will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 10, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall. More than 40 employers have registered to attend. Visit your College Central Network account at www.collegecentral.com/frostburg to view the employer directory for the fair. If you are not registered, visit the link included to register, click activate account and use your student ID number as the user ID and your FSU email to complete your registration.

All class levels and all majors are welcome.

Be sure to dress for success and bring plenty of resumes.

For info, contact Dr. Robbie Cordle at rcordle@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4403.

Badminton Club Meets Sundays

The Badminton Club meets every Sunday between noon and 3 p.m. in Cordts PE Center room 164. All equipment is provided by the club. The club fee is $10 per semester to cover the shuttlecock. All are welcome!

For info, contact Dr. Joy Zheng at 301-687-4430 or yzheng@frostburg.edu.

Teaching Kitchen: Dorm Cooking Hosted by Frostburg Dining

Come to the Lane Loft on Tuesday, Sept. 25, at 6 p.m. to learn how to cook your own ramen dinner using fresh ingredients provided by Frostburg Dining. The chef will guide you and your partner along the way, and you will have your very own meal at the end. Participation is free and limited to the first 12 that sign up. To sign up, email diningservices@frostburg.edu.

For info, contact Tiaju McCalup at tiaju.mccalup@compassusa.com or 301-687-3079.

Burg Peer Education Network Events

Burg events for the week are as follows:

- Perception IQ Program, Tuesday, Sept. 25, 7 to 8 p.m., Gira Center 156
- Wheel of Thanks Table, Thursday, Sept. 27, 10 a.m. to noon, Lane Center
- General Body Meeting, Thursday, Sept. 27, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Pullen 107

For info, contact Sophia Staggers at srstaggers0@frostburg.edu.

Graduation Will Be Here Before You Know It!

It’s not too early to think about graduation, especially if you intend to graduate on Wednesday, Dec. 19, in the Cordts PE Center.

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the Colleges of Business and Education will present their graduates at 2 p.m. Tickets will be required for admission. The number of tickets will be determined later, based on the number of graduating students.

If you have not yet done so, contact the Registrar’s Office to complete your graduation application and check that your home mailing address is accurate in PAWS, so you’ll receive all the necessary upcoming info.

Follow @FrostburgGrad on Twitter or Frostburg Graduation on Facebook for updates and important info throughout the semester.

Full details about the ceremony can be found on the Commencement website at www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement. For info, contact Christie Bohn at 301-687-4423 or clbohn@frostburg.edu.

Study Abroad

Where in the World Would You Like to Study Abroad?

For info, contact Kara Hotchkiss at 301-687-4747 or kjhotchkiss@frostburg.edu.

Rose Gause in Italy (summer 2018)

FSU students have the opportunity to study abroad all over the world. Financial aid can be used for overseas experiences during the fall and spring semesters. There are also exchange programs available that allow students to pay FSU tuition prices.

Study Abroad and International Fair

All FSU students, faculty and staff are invited to attend the Study Abroad and International Fair on Tuesday, Oct. 23, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall. Representatives from various study abroad programs and former study abroad students will be available to
answer questions about overseas opportunities. In addition, FSU’s international students will display information about their countries and will be available to talk about their cultures. There will be drawings for free prizes! Faculty are encouraged to attend to learn more about faculty-led study abroad trips.

Did You Know FSU-TV3 Has Life and Leisure Programming?

Here’s a sample of the channel’s shows.

In “A Culinary Journey,” Chef Luca Paris takes viewers inside his kitchen and shows them fun and easy recipes. Tune in on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 11 a.m. and at other times, too.

“Garden Thyme” is a gardening show featuring twin sisters that dispense tips with their homespun humor and down-east wit. Tune in on Monday through Thursday at 11:30 a.m.

“The Garage With Steve Butler” is a series about a furniture maker. He will share many ways to make fun and funky projects. Tune in on Monday through Wednesday and Friday at 1:30 p.m. and at other times.

For info, log on to www.frostburg.edu/fsu-tv3/programming/life.


FSU Events Calendar

For info on FSU events, go to http://events.frostburg.edu/calendar.

Questions? Call 301-687-4411. All information is subject to change.

Note: FSU is committed to making all of its programs, services and activities accessible to persons with disabilities. To request accommodations through the ADA Compliance Office, call 301-687-4102 or use a Voice Relay Operator at 1-800-735-2258.

Flu Season Is Right Around the Corner

Your Best Shot Is the Flu Shot!

Flu vaccination can keep you from getting sick from flu.

Getting vaccinated yourself can protect people around you who may be more vulnerable to flu.

Flu vaccination can reduce the risk of more serious flu outcomes, like hospitalizations.

VALUES AND VISION: FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY IN 2023

CORE VALUES

- Frostburg State University is a place where every student can experience a myriad of opportunities both in and out of the classroom, fostered by a sense of inclusion and close mentoring relationships with faculty and staff.
- Frostburg State University is committed to developing cultural competence and cultivating understanding of and respect for a diversity of experiences and world views that encourage each person’s ability to “take the perspective of the other.”
- Frostburg State University is committed to a system of shared governance that allows faculty, staff and students to learn about the issues the University confronts and that provides a structure for meaningful input into University decisions.

OUR VISION FOR FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY IN 2023

Frostburg State University is a regionally acclaimed and nationally recognized academic institution that provides distinctive programs to support state and regional workforce needs. Faculty, staff and students foster collaboration in a welcoming and inclusive campus culture.

Students value the opportunities open for them at FSU and form close mentoring relationships with faculty and staff, who are committed to their success and well-being. Students apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom to internship, civic engagement, study abroad and research experiences to meet the challenges of a complex and changing global society.

The University is integrated into the fabric of the community as a valued and respected regional asset. We are committed to making changes that secure our future while celebrating the values that reflect our history.
STRATEGIC GOALS

- Focus learning on the acquisition and application of knowledge.
- Provide engaging experiences that challenge our students to excel.
- Expand regional outreach and engagement.
- Align University resources – human, fiscal and physical – with strategic priorities.