

Certificate Regulations for the “International Computer Scientist“

Requirements for the acquisition of the certificate

The certificate “International Computer Scientist“ is a qualification for prospective computer science graduates that can be acquired additionally to the regular study program. Complementing the preparation and follow-up of a stay abroad, the certificate provides a special incentive for students. Important intercultural competences and language skills shall be obtained during the studies to improve the opportunity of getting a job abroad or working for an international company.

The certificate is open to all bachelor and master level students of the Department of Computer Science at Bonn-Rhein-Sieg University of Applied Sciences. Three out of four possible components need to be completed to acquire the certificate. The certificate can also be obtained by students of partner universities if the component accomplishments are equivalent to those of the H-BRS students.

The following four components can be chosen. Conditions (C:) and required proofs (P:) can be taken from the right column.

A International Experience

Completing an internship abroad	C: Internship for at least 10 weeks P: Internship certificate / confirmation by employer
or	
Completing a semester abroad	C: Learning Agreement approved by department P: Confirmation resp. transcript of records by (partner) university abroad

B Academic foreign language experience

Lecture in a foreign language	C: Lecture of at least 2 lesson hours per week / 3 ECTS; language must not be mother-tongue nor lecture language of the home university P: Transcript of records by H-BRS or university abroad
and	
Language course	C: Extracurricular lecture of at least 2 lesson hours per week / 3 ECTS; language must not be mother-tongue nor lecture language of the home university; curricular electives can be recognized; curricular electives can be recognized P: Certificate of the Language Centre or of the university abroad

C Intercultural experience

Intercultural communication or culture course ¹	C: Lecture of at least 2 lesson hours per week / 3 ECTS P: Official transcript of records by H-BRS or university abroad or certificate of the Language Centre
and	
Participation in the language tandem project	C: Duration at least one semester P: Certificate of the Language Centre

¹ For example „Intercultural Communication“ at the Language Centre or regional and cultural studies lecture at the (partner) university abroad

or the Study Buddy project	C: Duration at least one semester; participation as home student requested P: Certificate of the International office
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D International non-university experience

International conference	C: Participation in an at least one-day international conference; active participation for example as volunteer or by giving a presentation P: Written confirmation by conference organizer
or	
International extracurricular excursion to an international company	C: Participation in an at least one-day international and extracurricular excursion P: Written confirmation by company / excursion leader

Regarding the recognition of accomplishments for the chosen certificate components in general and for the component D International non-university experience in particular, the International Affairs Representative of the department or the Team International Affairs should be consulted in advance.

Application

The application for the certificate must be in writing, by mail or e-mail, and reach the Team International Affairs of the Department of Computer Science with the end of the studies at the latest. All necessary proofs need to be attached to the application. It is recommended to register to the certificate program beforehand to ensure that all planned component accomplishments will be recognized and lead to the acquisition of the certificate.

Issuance of the certificate

The International Affairs Representative of the department decides on the accomplishment of the required components and the issuance of the certificate.

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