



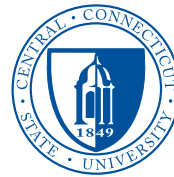
## Do I Qualify?

Scholarships are available for incoming graduate students entering MS Software Engineering program at CCSU. Additional scholarships may be available to current students. Incoming students applying for scholarships must:

- Be a citizen of the United States, a national of the United States, an alien admitted as refugees, or an alien lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence;
- Be enrolled at least half-time or accepted to Central Connecticut State University's Software Engineering MS program;
- Demonstrate financial need each semester, as determined by the Office of Financial Aid according to the rules of the US Department of Education.

Complete requirements for all categories of students are available at [www.ccsu.edu/agile](http://www.ccsu.edu/agile)

**First-generation students, underrepresented minorities, and female students are very strongly encouraged to apply**



## Master's Program in Software Engineering

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# CENTRAL CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

## MASTER'S PROGRAM IN SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

**ADVANCING GRADUATES IN LEARNING EXPERIENCES (AGILE)**  
Scholarships, Mentoring, and Career Development to Support Attainment of Software Engineering Graduate Degrees



## SOFTWARE ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIPS

**Up to \$10,000/year in student grants to get your MS in Software Engineering!**

CCSU is offering scholarships to qualified students enrolled in our Master's program in Software Engineering. These scholarships are funded through the National Science Foundation (NSF) Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (S-STEM) program.

In 2021-2025, we will award about 60 annual scholarships. Qualified students will receive up to \$10,000 per academic year. Each scholarship can be renewed for the subsequent year. Students enrolled in the program on at least a half-time basis (6 credits per semester) are eligible for the scholarship.

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## Why MS in Software Engineering?

According to the US Bureau of Labor Statistics, the broad and diverse field of software engineering is one of the most in-demand professions. The MS in Software Engineering at CCSU provides a rich learning environment featuring expert Computer Science faculty with experience in multiple areas of the discipline who will help you build a solid foundation while enabling you to focus on particular areas to develop software solutions to real-life problems. CCSU Computer Science faculty are excellent at helping students develop effective communication skills for working with both management and clients, an essential component of career success.

## Program Curriculum

Core courses of our program include Fundamentals of Software Engineering, Design Patterns, Advanced Software Engineering, Software Testing and Quality Assurance, and Distributed Computing will provide you with a high level of competency in understanding and applying emerging concepts, principles, methods, and theories necessary for a successful career as a software engineer. The program also emphasizes the development of communication and presentation skills in a real-world team-based software development environment.

## Scholarship benefits:

- Individual mentoring and advising by dedicated faculty
- Peer mentoring
- Participation in industry-focused experiences
- Field trips
- Guest lectures by leaders of industry and research
- Internships with leading employers
- Career opportunities in the software industry
- Assistance with job placement upon graduation

## Frequently Asked Questions

### How do I apply for an AGILE scholarship?

Complete application information is available at [www.ccsu.edu/agile](http://www.ccsu.edu/agile)

### Who is eligible for an AGILE scholarship?

Scholarship eligibility criteria are outlined in at [www.ccsu.edu/agile](http://www.ccsu.edu/agile)

### Do I need to complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)?

Yes, you must have a demonstrated financial need to be eligible for an AGILE scholarship. Please refer to CCSU Financial Aid office for more information

### How much funding can I receive through AGILE scholarship program?

You can receive up to \$10,000 per year. The specific amount of award for each spring and fall semester will be calculated based on the number of credits you are enrolled in that semester. No scholarship award can be higher than your demonstrated financial need.

### Is the scholarship renewable?

For students fully admitted to the MS Software Engineering program, scholarships can be renewed for a total of two years on a full-time basis (9+ credits per semester) or up to three years on a half-time basis (6 credits per semester).

### What if I am admitted to the MS Software Engineering program on a conditional basis?

You can receive the scholarship for up to one year while you are taking any prerequisite coursework needed to gain full admission to the MS Software Engineering program. Once you gain full admission to the program, you are eligible for up to three years of scholarship funding as described above.

### How is the scholarship renewed?

Academic performance and continued eligibility will be reviewed every semester. Upon a successful review, scholarships will be renewed for the next semester. You do not need to re-apply for the scholarship every year.

### If I receive AGILE scholarship, where this money can be applied to?

You can use the scholarship funds to pay tuition, buy books, and for other educational expenses.

### Can I receive this scholarship for a summer semester or winter intersession?

No, this scholarship is only available during regular fall and spring semesters.

### Can I receive other scholarships and financial aid if I receive an AGILE scholarship?

Yes. Receipt of this scholarship does not prevent you from obtaining other scholarships or financial aid offered by CCSU. However, there is a possibility that loans and other federal funding you receive may be reduced.

### Once I receive the scholarship, what do I have to do as an AGILE Scholar?

1. Meet all requirements of the scholarship renewal criteria;
2. Meet with your designated AGILE faculty mentor on a regular basis;
3. Regularly attend meetings and events organized for AGILE scholars. These will include seminars on technical topics as well as informal meetings to help you learn about the university resources and how to be successful in your program of study;
4. Participate in professional development activities;
5. Participate in the program assessment activities, which may include filling out a survey and completing an interview with a member of the program management team.

