Career Advancement

Computer science graduates work primarily in two market sectors. One sector is the software and computer industry where the words computer science are being used—those in Silicon Valley, among other areas, that can range from start-ups to giants like Amazon, Google, Facebook, and Microsoft. The other sector allows computer science students to use their technical expertise in fields beyond computer science. Examples would be working as a user experience (UX) designer for a marketing agency or developing software for a financial group; those are computer science majors working in media, health care, the government, and even in law firms. Computer science skills are needed everywhere so students have ample opportunities to find an environment that fits their interests and strengths.

As many as one-third of computer science graduates go into research or elect to pursue graduate studies in computer science, including the University of Iowa’s five-year BA/MCS program, or pursue other areas where computer science provides a strong foundation.

A recent job placement survey indicates that more than 97% of computer science graduates have a job, are continuing education, or are not seeking employment within six months of graduation.

View post-graduation data on the Pomerantz Career Center website, which uses University of Iowa placement information to explore what recent computer science alumni are doing, including median salaries, job titles, companies of employment, and other facts about UI graduates.

The Pomerantz Career Center offers multiple resources to help students find internships and jobs.