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Current GEORGIA Graduation Rule for student entering the 9 th grade in fall of 2008-2009 Areas of Study:	Credits	Postsecondary Programs of Study Technical College	Postsecondary Programs of Study University of Georgia System
I. English/Language Arts	4	<p>Select the following link for a list of Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) institutions offering programs in Computing. Each technical college varies in the specific degrees (AAS), diplomas, and certificates offered.</p> <p>https://kms.dtae.org/portal/tcsg/TCSGProgramOfferings.aspx</p> <p>Step 1: Use the drop-down box to select the term you plan to enter a TCSG institution;</p> <p>Step 2: From the Specific Program drop-down box select Computer Programming or Microcomputer Specialist.</p> <p>You can then view a list of TCSG institutions that offer this program as well as the specific campus and awards (degree, diploma or certificate) offered.</p>	<p>The following link will list Board of Regents institutions offering degrees in Computing. In the first box titled "Major," type "Computer Science" or "Management Information Systems." Then click the button at the bottom "View Matching Campuses" for a list. It will not be necessary to fill in all the other boxes. Further research may be required for specific programs of study that align with the pathway.</p> <p>http://www.gacollege411.org/Select/MatchAsst/default.asp</p>
II. Math	4		
III. *Science	4		
IV. Social Studies	3		
V. **Career, Technical and Agricultural Education (CTAE), and/or Modern Language/Latin, and/or Fine Arts	3		
VI. Health & Physical Education	1		
VII. Electives (4 units)	4		
TOTAL UNITS	23		
<p>* 4th Science may be used to meet both the required science and required elective in CTAE sequence of courses (V)</p> <p>**Student <u>must</u> complete 3 units in a pathway to complete CTAE pathway and take end of pathway assessment. Student <u>must</u> complete 2 years of the same Modern Language/Latin for admission to Georgia Board of Regents colleges/universities.</p>			

The sample **COMPUTING PATHWAY** occupations listed below meet two out of three of GDOE definitions for high-demand, high-wage and high-skilled. www.occsupplydemand.org

Occupation Specialties	Level of Education Needed	Average Salary	Annual Average Openings in Georgia
Computer and Information Systems Managers	Bachelor Degree plus work experience	\$101,400	530
Computer Programmers	Bachelor Degree	\$73,674	330
Computer Software Engineers	Bachelor Degree	\$77,022	730
Computer System Analysts	Bachelor Degree	\$74,443	890

COMPUTING

The computing profession includes a variety of jobs – computer engineering, computer science, information systems, information technology, and software engineering. The increased use of computers has created a high demand for specialists to provide advice to users, as well as for day-to-day administration, maintenance, and support of computer systems and networks. Computing jobs are generally high paying, and those working in the computing profession have a high level of job satisfaction. Computing majors require a foundational knowledge of problem solving and logical thinking.

Employers will seek those with strong programming, systems analysis, interpersonal and business skills. Most employers prefer to hire those with at least a bachelor's degree and a broad knowledge of, and experience with a variety of computer systems and technologies. Certifications and practical experience are essential for persons without degrees.

Job opportunities in the computing field are expected to be excellent over the next 10 years. It is estimated that the number of people trained for jobs in the computing industry will fall far short of the employment demand.

For more information, visit the following websites:
 Association for Computing Machinery
 –www.computingcareers.acm.org

www.Gacollege411.org

www.dol.state.ga.us