

Application to progress from Part II to Part III of the Computer Science Tripos

To be completed by the student

Name of Student:

CRSID:

College:

I apply to be a candidate for Part III of the Computer Science Tripos in the academical year that starts on 1 October 20____.

I understand that my application will be assessed using the criteria in the Standing Order of the Faculty Board of Computer Science & Technology regarding progression from Part II to Part III of the Computer Science Tripos (see overleaf). I understand that I must be deemed, by the Faculty Board's Sub-Committee, to have obtained a satisfactory standard in previous honours examinations in order to progress to Part III of the Computer Science Tripos.

Signed: Date:

To be completed by the College

Name of College Officer:

Position in College:

I confirm that the above named student has the support of his/her College in making this application. The College understands that the student must be deemed, by the Faculty Board's Sub-Committee, to have obtained a satisfactory standard in previous honours examinations in order to progress to Part III of the Computer Science Tripos.

Signed: Date:

This form must be completed, signed by both the student and the appropriate College officer, and submitted to Student Administration in the William Gates Building by the Division of Lent Term (13th February) in the academical year immediately preceding that stated above.

Standing Order of the Faculty Board of Computer Science & Technology concerning progression from Part II to Part III of the Computer Science Tripos

The Regulations for Part III of the Computer Science Tripos require that, in order to be a candidate for Part III, a student must demonstrate that he or she “has attained a satisfactory standard, as defined by the Faculty Board, in previous honours examinations” (Regulation 18, condition (b)). This Standing Order defines what is meant by “satisfactory standard” and the mechanism for assessment of individual students.

1. A student who wishes to progress to Part III must submit an application on the form approved by the Faculty Board by the Division of the Lent Term (13 February) preceding the progression. The application must be supported by the student’s College. It must be signed by both the student and the appropriate College Officer (the student’s Tutor or Director of Studies).

2. The Faculty Board will appoint an Applications Sub-Committee of three of its members to consider applications received under criteria 4 (b) and 4 (c). No two members of the Applications Sub-Committee shall be members of or direct studies at the same College.

3. The Applications Sub-Committee will meet to consider the standard required of applicants who have been on an exchange and the adequacy of the background of applicants from other Triposes (criteria 4 (b) and 4 (c)) as soon as practicable after the closing date, and in all but exceptional circumstances, before the end of the Lent Term. Where a member of the Applications Sub-Committee is also a member of an applicant’s College or is an applicant’s Director of Studies, that member shall take no part in the consideration of that applicant.

4. The following criteria for progression to Part III will be applied:

(a) A student is deemed to have automatically attained a satisfactory standard, provided that he or she has achieved first class honours in Part II of the Computer Science Tripos.

(b) A student who has been deemed to have deserved honours in Part II under Regulation 18 for the Computer Science Tripos may, at the Applications Sub-Committee’s discretion, be deemed to have attained a satisfactory standard. (Regulation 18 deals with student exchanges.)

(c) A student who has achieved First Class honours in Part II of another Tripos may, at the Applications Sub-Committee’s discretion, be deemed to have attained a satisfactory standard provided that the Sub-Committee is satisfied that he or she has adequate background to undertake Part III.

Candidates meeting criterion (a) will automatically be permitted to progress to Part III. Candidates considered under criteria (b) or (c) will be informed by e-mail at the start of Easter Term whether or not they will provisionally be permitted to progress to Part III. In all cases, progression will be dependent upon their examination results.

5. Students who are not permitted to progress may appeal. Appeals must be accompanied by supporting statements from the student’s Director of Studies and Tutor or Senior Tutor, along with any other supporting evidence and must reach the Secretary of the Faculty Board by the end of the Full Easter Term. Appeals will be considered by an Appeals Sub-Committee consisting of members of the Faculty Board and other established academic staff within the Faculty of Computer Science and Technology. The Appeals Sub-Committee will have no members in common with the Applications Sub-Committee. The Chairman of Faculty Board will chair the Appeals Sub-Committee or will nominate a Deputy. Appellants should not graduate at General Admission because the outcome of appeals will not be known until after the last Faculty Board meeting of the Easter term.