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GOLDEN GATE UNIVERSITY

Applied Computing Associate of Science (AS)

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A new kind of degree.
For a new kind of world.

The working world is changing faster than ever before. Degrees+ is a 100% online, career-focused program designed to prepare you for in-demand, entry-level roles in tech in as few as 19 months.

With an associate degree in Applied Computing, you'll gain a strong, practical foundation in programming and master important background skills in math and statistics. Plus, you'll earn a resume-building career certificate from a top tech company—all for less than 1/3 the national college tuition average.[1]

Whether you want to level up, change careers, or save money and time on your path to a bachelor's degree, this program can help you get there.

$97,000
median annual salary
for computer and IT careers[2]

113%
higher earnings
than other industries[2]

> "
> LOVE LOVE LOVE. I've taken a lot of online courses over the years and [this] blows them all away—in design, teachers, production, content, and facilitating learning. –Jacqueline W.
> "

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What you'll earn

Accredited Degree

Earn an associate degree in Applied Computing (AS) from Golden Gate University (GGU), one of California's oldest universities and among the highest quality colleges nationwide.[1] GGU holds accreditation from the WASC Senior College and University Commission, an accrediting agency approved by the US Department of Education.

GOLDEN GATE UNIVERSITY   **WASC** ACCREDITING COMMISSION FOR SCHOOLS

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Career Certificate

Boost your resume along the way with your choice of the following career certificates offered by top tech companies—while earning credits toward your degree.

+ **Google** IT Support Professional Certificate
+ **Google** Data Analytics Professional Certificate
+ **Google** UX Design Professional Certificate
+ **Meta** Front-End Developer Professional Certificate
+ **Meta** Back-End Developer Professional Certificate
+ **IBM** Cybersecurity Analyst Professional Certificate

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1. College Factual, 2022 Rankings

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Degree Highlights

100% online: Experience cinematic on-demand lectures, interactive learning tools, and coaching to help keep you moving forward.

Designed for flexibility: Learn on your own schedule, with lectures and course materials available 24/7, plus weeklong exam windows. Expect to spend 12-15 hours a week per course.

Futuristic, evidence-based learning: Enjoy interactive tools built by game designers and education experts to maximize comprehension and retention.

World-class teaching: Learn from brilliant and approachable lecturers from top schools like Cornell, Yale, and NYU in streaming videos that are built into the curriculum. Plus, engage in interactive discussions with passionate GGU instructors.

Within 2 Years

✓**Earn an accredited associate degree** from GGU, and level up or start a lucrative career

✓**Earn a career certificate** from Google, Meta, or IBM to boost your resume

✓**Learn the basics of coding** in popular programming languages like Java and R

✓**Earn 60 college credits** from GGU to apply toward your bachelor's degree

✓**Gain lifetime membership** to GGU's 68,000-strong alumni network, plus career services and other alumni benefits

> "
> I never expected to be so engaged, so thoroughly interested in everything I was learning, and to be excited about doing an online class." — Tajia L.
> "

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GGU Grads Earn 146% More
vs. the national average[1]

Median Salary for Computer & Information Technology Occupations (2021)

Occupation	Salary
Software Engineer	$115,171
Cybersecurity Analyst	$102,600
Computer Programmer	$93,000
Systems Administrator	$86,000
Web Developer	$84,156
National Median Salary	$45,760

BLS.gov Occupational Outlook Handbook

1. Median Earnings 2 Years After Graduation; Niche.com, "After Golden Gate University"

+ Go further with Career Certificates

78% experience increased demand for their skills[2]

75% say certificate was key to a pay increase[2]

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2. IT Certification Council, "The Value of Certification"

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Designed to open doors

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Applied Computing (AS)

Career Opportunities
· Computer Programmer
· Data Scientist
· Web Designer
· Database Administrator
· Video Game Developer

Bachelor's Degrees
· Data Analytics
· Mobile Development
· Cybersecurity
· Human-Computer Interaction
· Computer Science

Level up to a Bachelor's

Earning an associate degree before a bachelor's degree is a smart choice. In 2 years, **you'll save $24,296 compared to the national average for 4-year schools.**[1]

We'll help you transfer credits from the associate degree to your choice of bachelor's degree program, where you can delve deeper into specialized areas of computing.

Plus, GGU guarantees acceptance to any of its BA programs for Degrees+ students who graduate with a GPA of 2.5 or higher.

1.National Center for Education Statistics, Table 330.10, 2020-21

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Online college education unlike anything you've experienced

Legacy meets innovation. Golden Gate University has partnered with Outlier to redesign online college to minimize cost, maximize value, and modernize the experience. Together, we're helping students move forward, faster.

Golden Gate University

GGU is a nonprofit university with 68,000 alumni that's located in the heart of San Francisco's financial and high-tech district. Founded in 1901, GGU has been a leader in online education for 30 years and ranked the #1 school for working professionals for 4 years running by *Washington Monthly*.

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Winner of TIME Best Inventions 2020, Outlier.org has helped thousands of students discover a new approach to online learning, while saving up to 66% on college tuition. With evidence-based learning tools built by game designers and immersive, cinematic video, Outlier courses are delivering unprecedented results in the online higher ed space.

TIME BEST INVENTIONS 2020   **FAST COMPANY** INNOVATION BY DESIGN WINNER 2020

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Curriculum

Core and major courses

This program is specifically sequenced to keep you engaged and moving forward with a blend of gen ed courses and specialized Applied Computing courses. Plus, within your first year, you'll bank your progress and boost your resume with the career certificate of your choice.

A week at a glance
You decide what your week looks like. The time commitment is 12-15 hours a week per course: do it when it works for you.

SAMPLE SCHEDULE

YEAR 1			YEAR 2	
TERM 1 (Sept. '23)	**TERM 2** (Jan. '23)	**TERM 3** (May '24)	**TERM 4** (Sept. '24)	**TERM 5** (Jan. '24)
College Writing I Precalculus Computer Science I	College Writing II Intro to Statistics Professional Communication	You select a career certificate	Calculus I Intro to Psychology *or* Intro to Sociology Intro to Astronomy	Calculus II Computer Science II Intro to Business

What you'll learn

Get with the programming: Learn popular programming languages like Java and R, plus learn enough math and stats that you'll be well prepped for more advanced programming.

A wider lens: Beyond mastering in-demand tech skills, you'll broaden your career horizons with courses in writing, communication, and social science—important soft skills that 73% of employers are looking for.[1]

1. National Association of Colleges and Employers, "Problem-Solving Skills Top Attributes Employers Seek On Resumes"

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We've got your back.

So you can focus on moving forward. You'll enjoy the flexibility of online learning and the benefits of the learning community we've built.

Help to Stay on Track

Credit Transfer Support: We'll help you transfer in up to 45 credits from previous education, military, or work experience—and transfer credits out if you pursue a bachelor's program.[1]

Advisor: Your personal advisor will guide you throughout the program, help you work toward your goals, and remove any roadblocks to your success along the way.

Timely Reminders: We'll remind you of important deadlines and assignments in each course so you don't miss a thing.
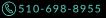
Academic Support

Instructors: Experienced GGU instructors teach every course. You'll interact with them weekly through discussion boards and assignments.

Free Math Tutoring: Need a hand? You'll have access to real subject matter experts for one-on-one tutoring sessions.

Student Community

Connect Online: Through group chat and Discord, students can ask and answer questions, discuss course material, network, and socialize. We've seen heartwarming moments arise and friendships develop.

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1. Transferability of credit is at the discretion of the institution to which you intend to transfer.

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Higher education. Lower barriers.

Moving forward shouldn't set you back.
Earn your Associate of Science in Applied Computing and a career certificate for $149 per credit—two credentials for 1/3 the cost of the average US college tuition.[1]

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Cost per credit: $149
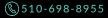Annual tuition: $4,470

ANNUAL COST: DEGREES+ VS. NATIONAL AVERAGES[2]

- ■ Tuition & required fees
- ■ Textbooks & supplies

$4,470	$5,446	$10,401	$10,885	$14,985	$26,578	$33,971
Degrees+	Public 2-year (in-state)	Public 2-year (out-of-state)	Public 4-year (in-state)	All institutions	Public 4-year (out-of-state)	Private 4-year

COST COMPARISON: DEGREES+ VS. NATIONAL ONLINE ASSOCIATE DEGREES

INSTITUTION	COST PER CREDIT	TOTAL TUITION	LENGTH OF PROGRAM[3]	WHAT YOU EARN
Degrees+	$149	$8,940	19 months	Degree & Career Certificate
Purdue Global	$371	$33,390	18 months	Degree
Penn State World Campus	$501	$30,108	24 months	Degree

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1. National Center for Education Statistics, Table 330.10, 2020-21
2. National Center for Education Statistics, Tables 330.10, 330.20, 330.40, 2020-21
3. Year-round, full-time enrollment with no breaks

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Ways to save

💲 **Choose an affordable program**
like Golden Gate University Degrees+ powered by Outlier

▦ **Apply early** to have your application fee waived

⇄ **Transfer in existing credits** (We make it easy.)

🎓 **Apply for federal financial aid** to see if you qualify for grants

🏢 **Take advantage of employer benefits**

⭐ **Use your military benefits**

Financial Aid

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) will help you figure out if you qualify for federal student aid, including grants and loans.

GGU's Degrees+ tuition is so low that **financial aid may cover the entire cost** for students that qualify. Each year, 42% of students receive an average of $5,179 in federal grants—aid that exceeds Degrees+ annual tuition of $4,470 and does not need to be repaid like student loans.[1] And with no need to buy textbooks or commute to campus, your financial aid goes further with Degrees+.

Apply for financial aid

✓ High school diploma or GED

✓ US citizen or eligible noncitizen

✓ Social Security Number

✓ Enroll in an eligible degree program (like this one)

1. EducationData.org, "Financial Aid Statistics"

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Streamlined Application

Think applying to college will be hard? Think again.

Outlier and GGU are dedicated to removing barriers to higher ed—so there are no testing requirements, no application essays, and no interviews. Applying is simple:

- ⟳ Head to outlier.org/pages/degree-ggu-application

- ✎ Submit your application (~20 min.)

- $ Apply for financial aid via FAFSA (~60 min.)

Application Timeline

2023

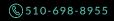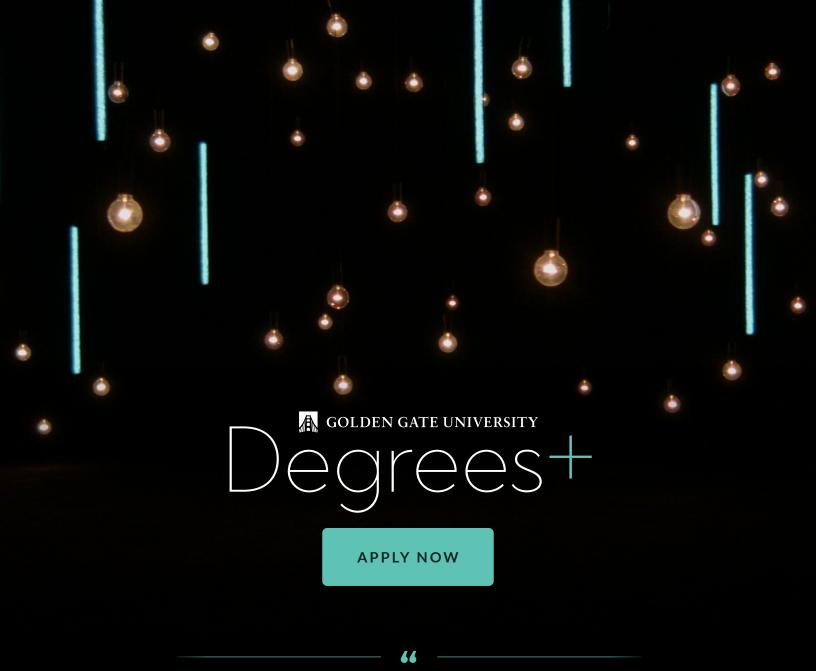| MAY 23	AUGUST 17	SEPTEMBER 7
Early Action deadline	Final Application deadline	1st day of class

Transfer Credits

Already have college credits? See what credits will transfer, and pick up where you left off.

GGU staff will help you find and make sure you get credit for any eligible courses you've already taken— up to 45 credits from previous education, military, or work experience.

Talk to an Enrollment Counselor:
Call 510-698-8955 or schedule a call

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"
Degrees+ is an innovative solution to the public debate about the returns on time and money invested in college.

—David Fike, President | Golden Gate University
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