MASTER'S DEGREE OR BOOTCAMP

Which is Right for You?

Depending on what you're looking for, choose the computer science education option that fits your needs.

BOOTCAMP

MS DEGREE

TIME

Learn a broad skill in a high-paced, short-term format, 10-12 weeks long.¹

Can be completed in as few as 10 months for an M.S.

COST

Less expensive than getting a degree. You may need to take a leave of absence from your job, since bootcamps are full time, plus some extra work.

Degree programs may cost more than bootcamps, but you'll get the complete education that many employers want and earn a significant return on your investment. With part-time and/or online programs, you can keep your job and earn while you learn.

RESULTS

Bootcamp attendees earn a median annual salary of **\$65,000** at their first jobs. Options for moving up the career ladder are limited due to narrow scope of learning.

Potential job opportunities include:

- Technical support specialist
- · Digital marketer
- Junior developer
- Data analyst²

A graduate with an M.S. can earn a median annual salary of **\$131,040**.

Potential careers include:

- Computer and information research scientist: median annual salary \$131,490
- Computer and information systems manager: median annual salary \$159,010³

Decisions, Decisions

A bootcamp might be fine in the short term, but an M.S. in computer science will give you an in-depth education to boost your career opportunities and lifetime earnings. New York Institute of Technology even offers an Online Computer Science, M.S. so you can continue working and making money while you complete your degree.

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