

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

DEVELOP THE IT EXPERTISE TO ADVANCE IN A GROWING INDUSTRY

Technology has transformed the way the world does business. Purdue University Global's Bachelor of Science in Information Technology helps prepare you with the foundational knowledge and skills you need to advance in this dynamic field. Our program focuses on project management skills, critical and creative thinking, and technical proficiencies required in a variety of workplace settings. As a graduate, you'll be able to apply system and technical analysis and solutions to hardware and software problems.

WHY STUDY TECHNOLOGY AT PURDUE GLOBAL?

EXCELTRACK™ ONLINE DEGREE OPTION

Complete your degree faster and more affordably with our ExcelTrack™ bachelor's in information technology program.¹

ONLINE FLEXIBILITY FOR WORKING ADULTS

Earn your degree 100% online, on your schedule. You can also visit one of our regional locations to take advantage of local, onsite support and services.

TRANSFER CREDITS

Our average bachelor's graduate with transfer credits saves over 40% on University tuition.²

HANDS-ON LEARNING

Experience real-world learning through virtual labs in platforms such as Sandbox, Atomic Learning, and Microsoft Imagine. Plus, an optional internship allows you to gain practical job experience in the field.

FACULTY EXPERTISE

Learn from practicing professionals with extensive experience in IT and education. All professors possess advanced academic degrees.

ONE-ON-ONE MENTORING

Work directly with faculty through online discussion boards and faculty office hours, and enjoy no-cost individual tutoring. In addition, academic and career advisors are dedicated to helping you balance school with your career and life responsibilities.

INTRODUCTORY TRIAL PERIOD

Make sure online learning at Purdue Global is right for you. Enroll in the University and try our classes for 3 weeks before you owe any tuition. That's the Purdue Global Commitment.³

TAKE THE NEXT STEP IN YOUR CAREER AND EDUCATION

BUILD THE CORE SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES THAT EMPLOYERS DEMAND

- Foundational, core IT knowledge
- Client specifications
- System specifications
- Technology analysis
- Business analysis
- Professional development
- Critical thinking
- Business aptitude
- Collaboration skills
- Communication abilities

PREPARE FOR CERTIFICATION

The program advances your technical and business skills while providing a foundation for industry certifications to help you secure a professional role within the evolving IT field.⁴

ACCELERATED MASTER'S DEGREE OPTION

Planning to pursue a graduate degree? Earn a minimum grade in key courses in your bachelor's degree in IT program and you'll qualify for shortened versions of our master's degree programs in IT or cybersecurity management. This combined bachelor's-to-master's option saves you money and takes less time than completing each degree separately.

CONCENTRATION AREAS

Customize your degree plan to develop specialized expertise. We offer several concentrations aligned to current industry demand.

- Information Security and Assurance
- IT Management
- Network Administration
- Programming and Software Development

Note: concentrations are not available in the ExcelTrack™ program.



ABET

This program is accredited by the Computing Accreditation Commission (CAC) of ABET, www.ABET.org.

NATIONALLY RANKED AND RESPECTED

Purdue Global is part of the respected Purdue University system. One of the most prestigious research universities in the world, Purdue University is ranked in the top 10 best public universities in the U.S. by *The Wall Street Journal/Times Higher Education*.⁵



CURRICULUM

Our rigorous curriculum prepares you with essential IT skills and business knowledge. All courses are updated regularly by our dedicated curriculum department and advisory board to ensure they reflect the most recent developments in the field.

IT COURSE TOPICS INCLUDE:

- Technical communication
- Website development
- Microsoft Office applications
- Database concepts
- Microsoft Access
- Software design and development
- Networking
- Network security
- Management
- Project management
- Human computer interaction
- Technology infrastructure
- Information systems architecture
- IT consulting skills
- Systems analysis and design

EXCELTRACK™ : A FASTER AND MORE AFFORDABLE WAY TO EARN YOUR DEGREE

In addition to our traditional online program, we offer ExcelTrack™, which is a personalized, competency-based option that gives you more control over how you learn. Each ExcelTrack™ online course is a single credit, covering a particular skill or piece of knowledge, allowing you to bypass any subjects you already know.¹ This option enables students who have at least 3 years of work experience and 3 prior college courses to earn their bachelor's degree sooner, at a lower cost.

PROGRAM DETAIL

Credit Hours: 180

Program Length:

Traditional program: 2–4 years⁶

ExcelTrack™: Self-paced to help you graduate sooner

Course Load:

Traditional program: 2 courses per term

ExcelTrack™: As many as you can complete with a “B” or higher on your final assessment

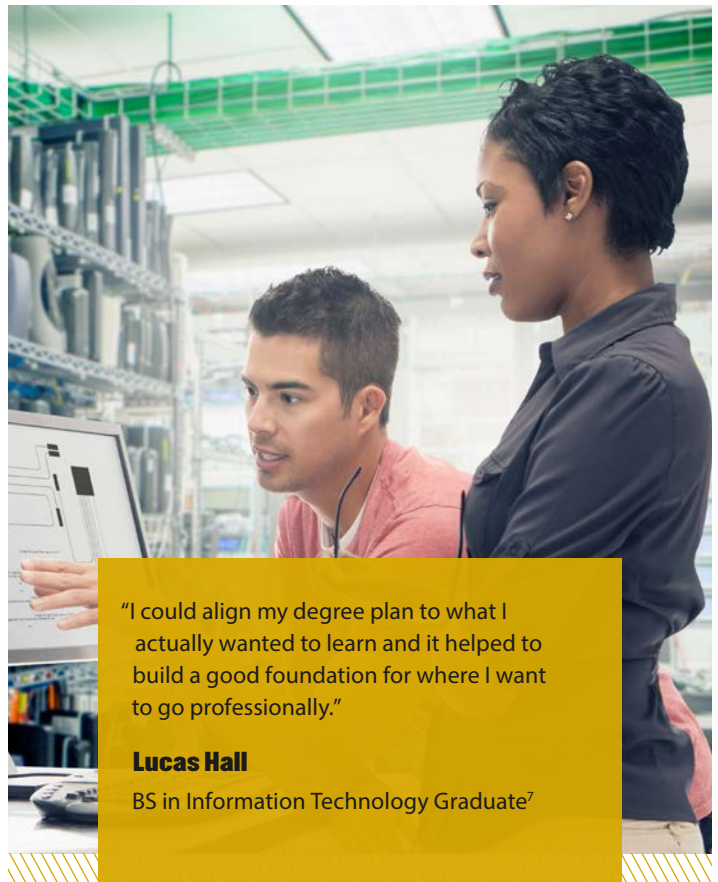
Terms: 10 weeks long

Start Dates: Throughout the year

Delivery: Online, with optional local internship

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

- Associate of Applied Science in Information Technology
- Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity
- Master of Science in Cybersecurity Management
- Master of Science in Information Technology
- Postbaccalaureate and Graduate Certificates



“I could align my degree plan to what I actually wanted to learn and it helped to build a good foundation for where I want to go professionally.”

Lucas Hall

BS in Information Technology Graduate⁷

CAREER AND NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

INDUSTRY OUTLOOK⁸

- Employment of computer and information technology occupations is projected to grow 13% from 2016 to 2026, faster than the average for all occupations.
- America will add more than 540,000 IT jobs by 2026.
- Software developers and information security analysts are among the fastest growing occupations from 2016 to 2026.
- Greater emphasis on cloud computing, the collection and storage of big data, and information security will drive demand for IT workers.

CAREER PATHWAYS AND OUTCOMES⁹

Roles

- Computer and information systems manager
- Information security analyst
- Network and computer systems administrator
- Computer network architect/support specialist
- Network administrator
- Software developer
- Computer programmer
- Web developer
- Database administrator

Settings/Industries

- Computer services
- Finance
- Education
- Health care
- Science
- Law
- Communications
- Government

CAREER SERVICES

Our IT Career Specialists connect students with job and networking opportunities and offer the following assistance:

- Career assessment/exploration
- Resume and cover letter review
- Interview preparation/mock interviews
- Portfolio development to showcase your skills
- Assistance in building an online presence
- Job search and networking support
- Virtual career fairs
- 24/7 online access to job openings and career development tools

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AND HONOR SOCIETIES

- Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) and ACM Women in Computing
- Iota Sigma Tau Honor Society
- Cybersecurity Club
- Cloud Club



Purdue Global Is Accredited by The Higher Learning Commission

This accreditation covers all academic programs, all regional locations, and all programs provided via distance education. Contact the HLC at HLCcommission.org or call 800-621-7440.

Military Friendly

We offer reduced tuition rates for servicemembers, veterans, and spouses.

This accolade was awarded prior to the March 2018 purchase of Kaplan University by Purdue University and subsequent creation of Purdue University Global. Purdue Global cannot guarantee future accolades.



Contact an Admissions Advisor at 844-PURDUE-G or visit www.PurdueGlobal.edu.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: PLEASE READ

For comprehensive consumer and gainful employment information, visit Info.PurdueGlobal.edu.

- 1 ExcelTrack™ is designed to advance your progress based on existing knowledge; however, degree pace and time and cost savings will vary by individual. Students must enroll in a minimum number of credits per term to remain eligible for financial aid. Refer to the Financial Information section of the University Catalog for additional information. Programs may include traditional courses; however, tuition is charged at the ExcelTrack™ rate.
- 2 Based on Kaplan University Bachelor of Science in Information Technology graduates from 2013-2017 who entered their program with eligible transfer credits. Note: these data were reported prior to the March 2018 purchase of Kaplan University by Purdue University and subsequent creation of Purdue University Global. Tuition savings calculated as 78 quarter credit hours x \$371.00 = \$28,938.00 (43%). Individual savings will vary. Information technology coursework submitted for transfer credit evaluation should have been completed in the last 5 years. Students who seek credit for courses older than 5 years must submit a specific request for each course to be reviewed. Purdue Global does not guarantee transferability of credit. Future transfer credit savings are subject to review and the academic policies of Purdue Global. See University Catalog for the Prior Learning Assessment policy.
- 3 No financial obligation beyond the application fee. Classes count toward a degree if satisfactorily completed. No credits are earned if the student withdraws during the introductory period (3 weeks for new qualifying undergraduate students), which begins day one of the first term. Students who choose to continue their studies at Purdue Global will need to meet specific requirements. Graduate programs not included. Additional terms may apply to international and non-U.S. citizen students. For further information, see the University Catalog.
- 4 Students are responsible for understanding the requirements of optional certification exams. The University cannot guarantee students will be eligible to sit for or pass exams. In some cases, work experience, additional coursework beyond the Purdue Global program, fieldwork, and/or background checks may be necessary to be eligible to take or to successfully pass the exams.
- 5 Source: www.timeshighereducation.com/rankings/united-states/2018. Rankings apply to Purdue University – West Lafayette and not to Purdue Global.
- 6 Purdue Global online bachelor's degree students who graduated in the 2017–2018 academic year and applied eligible external (transfer, experiential, or credit by exam) credits earned an average of 82 credits or 8 terms toward their total degree. This excludes undergraduate nursing students. Term estimates are based on completion of two 5- or 6-credit courses per term. Individual credits earned will vary. Please see the University Catalog for Purdue Global's Prior Learning Assessment policy. Source: Purdue Global Office of Records Analysis and Reporting.
- 7 This testimonial was obtained by Kaplan University. Purdue University acquired Kaplan University in March 2018 and created Purdue University Global, which is following the same curriculum format and instructional delivery methods as developed and used by Kaplan University. The views and opinions expressed are those of the individual; student experiences may vary.
- 8 Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, *Occupational Outlook Handbook*, Computer and Information Technology Occupations; Fastest-Growing Occupations. National long-term projections may not reflect local and/or short-term economic or job conditions, and do not guarantee actual job growth.
- 9 Purdue Global cannot guarantee employment or career advancement. Additional training or certification may be required. In addition, job titles and responsibilities may vary from organization to organization.