Procedure for the 4+1 Accelerated B.S. Computer Science or B.S. Information Technology to M.S. Computer Science degree Kutztown University of Pennsylvania

- 1. Beginning with the first semester of the 2020-2021 Kutztown University academic year, the Accelerated B.S. Computer Science or B.S. Information Technology to M.S. Computer Science degree will be available to qualified students. This dual degree program will require approximately four years of attendance at Kutztown University in an undergraduate program followed by a minimum of one semester of attendance at Kutztown University in a graduate program. The accelerated master's program is arranged so a student may complete the curriculum in one year.
- 2. Per the Board of Governors of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Procedure/Standard Number 2016-25-A, a student enrolled in the B.S. Computer Science/Kutztown University or B.S. Information Technology/Kutztown University program with at least junior standing may take graduate coursework that will apply to both programs. Up to 40% of graduate program credits (rounded to the nearest whole number) may be applied to satisfy the undergraduate degree requirements; therefore, 12 credits of the M.S. Computer Science may also be used to satisfy the B.S. Computer Science or B.S. Information Technology degree requirements. The 12 credits used to satisfy the requirements of both degrees cannot be used to satisfy the major degree requirements for the B.S. degree.
- 3. Kutztown University undergraduate students will be accepted for admission to the accelerated program under this dual degree program upon:
 - a. Attaining a minimum 3.0 grade point average in computer science coursework; students not meeting the 3.0 grade point average in computer science but receiving a minimum of 3.0 cumulative GPA may be considered for, but are not guaranteed, admission to the accelerated program. Students not meeting either minimum GPA may be conditionally admitted to the accelerated program.
 - b. Receiving a positive recommendation from the Chair (or designee) of the Department of Computer Science and Information Technology.
 - c. Timely submission of all graduate application materials to Kutztown University.
 - d. Kutztown University application fee, GRE requirement, and letters of recommendation requirement will be waived if student meets all the aforementioned admissions criteria.