

# INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, COMBINED DEGREE PATHWAYS

Empire State University currently offers a combined degree pathway to the M.S. in Information Technology to undergraduate students of SUNY Cobleskill. Enrollment in a combined pathway allows highly qualified, current SUNY Cobleskill students to work on a master's degree while completing their bachelor's degree. Up to 12 credits of designated graduate courses are incorporated into the undergraduate degree program and will count toward both the bachelor's degree and the master's degree.

## The Pathway

Undergraduate students of **SUNY Cobleskill** may seek the following combined degree pathway:

- Bachelor of Technology in Information Technology (through SUNY Cobleskill) to Master of Science (MS) in Information Technology

## Admission

Admission into this combined degree pathway is highly selective. Matriculated SUNY Cobleskill undergraduate students may apply to the combined program through the School for Graduate Studies and will complete all of the application requirements for the master's degree program. The applicant must have a minimum recalculated GPA of 3.2 (most recent 60 credit earned).

In addition to completing the graduate application<sup>1</sup>, candidates must have foundational knowledge in computer programming and computer networks. Please see the **Graduate Admission** section of this catalog for a complete listing of materials required to complete a graduate application.

<sup>1</sup> SUNY Cobleskill applicants are not required to submit the application essay and may request a waiver code of the application fee at [gradpartners@sunyempire.edu](mailto:gradpartners@sunyempire.edu).

## Curriculum

Students accepted to this combined program will include the following 4 courses (12 credits) in their approved undergraduate degree plans. Special requests to substitute these courses will be considered by the program coordinator in consultation with the student's SUNY Cobleskill advisor.

These programs require careful planning that should begin in the first term of a student's undergraduate career. The student and their undergraduate advisor should consult in planning the undergraduate degree program so that these requirements are met during undergraduate study and that the 12 credits of master's courses from the M.S. in Information Technology program also are included in the degree plan. Students must meet graduate expectations for academic progress and grade point average in their master's level courses to remain in a combined program.

## Combined Pathway Courses

| Code      | Title                                   | Credits |
|-----------|---|---------|
| INFT 6127 | Information Technology in Organizations | 3       |
| INFT 6132 | Network Administration                  | 3       |
| INFT 6137 | Enterprise Systems Architecture         | 3       |
| INFT 6142 | Computer Systems Security               | 3       |

Remaining required courses of the M.S. in Information Technology degree can be found on the MS in Information Technology (<http://catalog.sunyempire.edu/graduate/programs/ms-information-technology/>) degree page of this catalog.