The goal of the Honors distinction in Computer and Information Science is to encourage strong students to undertake a project or activity in which they may achieve excellence. Projects may range over research, software development, data analysis, or experimental prototyping. Activities may include work with significant social impact or a service learning endeavor. To apply for Honors in Computer and Information Science, the student must prepare a full report or publishable paper and a short executive summary. The student must have a minimum GPA of 3.25. A small faculty committee in the college will make the final decisions as to which students will receive College Honors.

Honors in Computer and Information Science should be based on one of the following:

- A research project
- A significant software project
- A significant data project
- A computing project focused on experimentation
- A computing project with significant social impact
- A service learning project with a significant computing or educational component

Such a project might be supervised via:

- A research-focused directed study
- A research-focused or project-based course
- An NSF REU experience at Northeastern or elsewhere
- A co-op experience with a Northeastern faculty member

The student might also conduct the project independently.

All Honors projects should require a full report or a publishable paper. In addition, a short executive summary of 3 pages or less should be provided to describe the project in brief.

In order to receive College Honors, a student must also have a minimum GPA of 3.25.

A small faculty committee in the college will validate the submissions for College Honors in any given year and make the final decisions as to whether College Honors will be granted.

Note: A student may submit work done on a group project for Honors. The student must explain the group project and must be specific as to their individual contribution to the work. It is the responsibility of the student to explain why their contribution reaches the level of an Honors distinction.