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COLLEGE OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

THE NEUMONT DIFFERENCE

Neumont University is now Neumont College of Computer Science. We've changed our name to better reflect who we are: a small, single-campus institution of higher learning focused solely on computer science.

 Neumont College of Computer Science



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Neumont President Shaun McAlmont announces Neumont College of Computer Science and shares how this allows the institution to better carry out its mission to offer the best possible computer science education to students as we embrace our identity.

[Read the president's message →](#)



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YOU HAVE QUESTIONS? WE HAVE ANSWERS!



WHY IS NEUMONT CHANGING ITS NAME?

Neumont is changing its name to better reflect who and what the institution is and does. Changing the name to include "Computer Science" showcases what Neumont is known for and our emphasis, while the move to college is a better reflection of who Neumont is: a small and focused educational institution. [Read more from our President about the change here.](#)

I'M A CURRENT STUDENT AND EXPECTED TO GRADUATE IN THE FUTURE. WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR MY DEGREE?

If you complete all course requirements for your chosen degree, you will receive a degree from Neumont College of Computer Science.

I'M A NEUMONT ALUMNUS. WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR MY DEGREE? WILL IT NEED TO BE REISSUED?

Nothing will happen specific to your degree. Neumont has been through name changes before (e.g. Neumont was formerly known as "Northface.") When you received your degree, the institution was accredited under the name Neumont University. If you would like to update your degree, please contact the Registrar.

WHY ADD COLLEGE/INSTITUTE TO THE NEUMONT NAME – WHY CAN'T WE JUST BE "NEUMONT"?

Part of the purpose of the name change is to more accurately reflect what it is that Neumont does. By adding "College of Computer Science" to our official name, we help people understand immediately the type of educational institution we are – both in scope and discipline.

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Neumont is committed to playing a role in helping provide qualified candidates in the field of tech; a field that has, and is expected to have, a major shortage of qualified candidates – specifically in computer science.

WHEN DOES THIS NAME CHANGE GO INTO EFFECT?

The name change is effective as of July 28, 2017. However, it will take a period of weeks to roll-out the name change to our various online platforms, clothing, signs, and in all other materials.

WHY CHANGE NOW?

Neumont's Executive Team and the Board of Directors believe that adding "computer science" to Neumont's official name now is the best course of action for the immediate benefits associated with helping prospective students, their families, future partners and the community better understand who we are.

[In Utah alone there are more than 3,800 open computer science jobs – that's 2.6 times the average demand rate in Utah. On a national level, there are currently 500,000 open computer science jobs, and they're projected to grow at twice the rate of other jobs.](#) Nationally, we're experiencing a shortage in computing specific STEM jobs, and Neumont is committed to help closing the gap.

Our recognition in the STEM environment should be immediate. As previously explained, changing the name to include "college" also helps to better identify Neumont for what it is – a smaller, single-campus institution with a specific focus. Many of the things that work to our advantage in getting students ready to launch their careers, are the very things that make Neumont a different kind of institution that is more reflective of a college: size, focus, faculty with experience in the private-sector and a penchant and passion for teaching.

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No, your original admission file and record maintains your ability to join our fall class, so there is nothing you need to do differently. If you have additional questions, please contact your Admissions Officer.

HOW WILL THIS CHANGE AFFECT STUDENT LOANS?

For current and future students pursuing a bachelor's degree, the name change will not affect your federal funding for student loans. If you have additional questions, please contact your Financial Aid Advisor.

WHAT DO OTHER PEOPLE THINK ABOUT THIS NAME CHANGE?

Responses from our partners, alumni, students and the public run the gamut, but overall, our change has been well received. Read below for statements from community, alumni, and corporate partners.

Jason Mathis, Downtown Alliance Executive Director and VP of the Salt Lake Chamber: "Last year, downtown leaders started planning ways for Salt Lake to grow into the tech hub of the Mountain West. Neumont was a critical player in those talks. The move to 'Neumont College of Computer Science' solidifies Neumont's place downtown as a national tech leader and helps cement our growing industry presence in the west. Adding 'computer science' to their name, underscores their precision-focus on computer science with opportunities for STEM students from inside and outside the state. We're grateful to partner with Neumont and commend them on the change to Neumont College of Computer Science. It's a bold move and the right step in helping downtown's evolution as a tech hub."

Jacob Glines, Sr. Software Engineer at ITN International and Neumont Alumni Association President: "As one of the school's first graduates, I've been through a name change with our school before. Ultimately it's the training and project-based approach that makes Neumont who it is, but it's good to see the school really embracing the 'Computer Science' identifier. This will show that our school focuses on Computer Science and is proud of it. Overall, I think it's a great thing for students and alumni alike."

Korvyn Dornseif, VP / PMO at Towers Watson's OneExchange: "'We hire Neumont graduates because they come to us ready to work. Neumont is hyper-attentive to the needs of employers and rapidly adapts to changes in the technology industry. Taking the name college shows me that Neumont hasn't lost sight of what is important--remaining agile--so that as we discover what is coming next, they are prepared and can pivot to deliver graduates with the skill set we need to succeed.'"

WHEN WILL THE NAME CHANGE BE VISIBLE AT NEUMONT?

The roll out of the branding changes will move in stages. The first stage is to transition all the online mediums to the new logo. Physical changes throughout the campus will be part of a months-long transition effort.

WHAT IS THE NEW LOGO?

The new logo is similar to the previous logo. The updated logo was purposely designed to match the color palette and feel of the old Neumont logo and branding. It also emphasizes our highly respected Neumont name which has a stellar reputation in the technology industry. It uses the word "college," which alludes to our small size and focus on individual attention and success, and most importantly it brings new emphasis to computer science which has always been our identity and focus.

MORE QUESTIONS?

If you still have questions or would like to share your concerns with Neumont, please call 801-302-2800 or email admissions@neumont.edu. Our Admissions Officer will be happy to help.

[Contact the Office of Admissions →](#)