Master of Human Computer Interaction and Design

This is a professional degree that prepares students to be the leaders of the future in human-computer interaction, user experience design and research, product management, and more. This degree should be undertaken by early and mid-career professionals and executives looking to take the next step in their careers. For additional information about this degree program, please see: https://www.informatics.uci.edu/grad/mhcid/

Applicants are evaluated on the basis of their prior academic record and letters of reference from people either in the student's academic history or work settings. Students applying to the program may have degrees in any field, though preference is generally given to those with a technical, social science, or design background and those with work experience. All applicants are evaluated on the materials submitted: letters of recommendation, official college transcripts, and personal statement. Applicants are strongly encouraged to additionally submit either official GRE test scores or a relevant work portfolio. For more information, contact the ICS graduate counselor at 949-824-5156 or mhcid@ics.uci.edu. For additional information about this degree program, please see: https://mhcid.ics.uci.edu/

All Master of Human Computer Interaction and Design students are expected to maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 throughout the program, with no individual grade lower than a B-. Students must complete 48 units; three quarters of IN4MATX 289 and nine core courses.

A. Complete:	
IN4MATX 280	Overview of Human-Computer Interaction and Design
IN4MATX 281	User Needs Analysis
IN4MATX 282	Design and Prototyping
IN4MATX 283	User Experience Evaluation
IN4MATX 284	Advanced Design and Prototyping
IN4MATX 285	Interactive Technology Studio
IN4MATX 286	Innovations in HCI and Design
IN4MATX 287	Capstone Project in HCI and Design
IN4MATX 288	Capstone Project and Portfolio
B. Complete three quarters of:	
IN4MATX 289	Special Topics in Applying Human-Computer Interaction and Design in Industry

The final examination for the M.H.C.I.D. includes three components: 1) Performance on a capstone project that incorporates skills and knowledge from the entire program; 2) Individual and peer evaluations of performance within the capstone project team; and 3) Assessment of a completed portfolio.

Students making normal progress are expected to complete the degree program in approximately 12 months. A guide to sensible program completion in two years is provided, but the 12-month completion time is recommended.