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Data Science Major – FALL ENROLLMENT

Please read this email as it contains important information on Fall Enrollment!

Additional websites with enrollment information

- Statistics enrollment FAQ: <https://stat.wisc.edu/courses-and-enrollment/>
- Computer Sciences enrollment FAQ: <https://www.cs.wisc.edu/courses-2/>
- Math enrollment information: <https://www.math.wisc.edu/undergraduate/placement>
- Chancellor's Fall 2021 plan: <https://chancellor.wisc.edu/blog/creating-the-new-normal-returning-to-campus/>
- General campus enrollment FAQ: <https://registrar.wisc.edu/fall-2021-enrollment/>

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1. **Important Dates**

Late March – Fall 2021 courses available on Course Search & Enroll

April 13th – First day of Senior standing enrollment

April 16th – First day of Junior standing enrollment

April 21st – First day of Sophomore standing enrollment

April 25th – First day of Freshmen standing enrollment

2. **Advising**

Both Dana and Sara are available for advising appointments to discuss your fall enrollment plans and questions. Please see the Data Science major page (<https://stat.wisc.edu/undergraduate-data-science-studies/>) for information on how to make an appointment, attend drop-in advising, or always feel free to send us an email!

3. **Data Science Courses**

All of the foundational data science major courses are planned to be taught in Fall 2021 including:

STAT 240 Introduction to Data Modeling I (additional seats will be released throughout the enrollment timeframe and in to SOAR during the summer)

STAT 340 Introduction to Data Modeling II (only open to DS and Stats majors until April 26)

COMP SCI 220 Data Programming I (additional seats will be released throughout the enrollment timeframe and in to SOAR during the summer)

COMP SCI 320 Data Programming II

LI S 461 Data and Algorithms: Ethics and Policy (please note the difference between *Lecture 001 which is 4 credits and is Comm B* and *Lecture 002 which is 3*

credits and not Comm B)

Above and beyond the foundational data science courses the foundational math and a number of the advanced data science electives are being offered across many departments. For a full list of the major courses please see the Guide (<https://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/statistics/data-science-bs/#requirementstext>).

4. **Important Major Course Updates**

Beginning in Fall 2021 the foundational Data Science major requirements will have a change. **Students will now be able to use COMP SCI 220 or COMP SCI 300 to meet the data programming I requirement.** The prerequisites on COMP SCI 320 will also reflect this change. We will have more information in the fall of how students already declared in the Data Science major can take advantage of this new flexibility.

The Data Science Program Committee has also approved some more new courses to count in the curriculum. With how updates to curriculum happen these will not appear in the Guide or in your DARS at this time, but we are welcome to take these courses and count them towards the major in the given category. You must email Sara or Dana we will then make the course count on your DARS. *Courses are scheduled to be taught in the fall at this time.

Machine Learning: GEN BUS 656*

Other: SOC 351, SOC 693, STAT 433*, ECON 695*, L I S 407, L I S 464, and L I S 501*

Course descriptions and prerequisites can be found by searching the department and course number in Guide (<https://guide.wisc.edu/courses/>).

5. **Enrollment Holds**

Please check to see if you have any enrollment holds on your record! Enrollment holds will prevent you from enrolling into courses until the hold is released. To check if you have any holds, visit your Student Center (see [here](#) for steps). You should check for holds now and periodically between now and your enrollment appointment time.

For more information on enrollment holds, visit <https://kb.wisc.edu/helpdesk/page.php?id=4139>.

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6. **F-1/J-1 Visa Students and Fall 2021 Enrollment**

Please stay updated on guidance from ISS at <https://iss.wisc.edu/students/current-students/health/covid-19-updates/>.

Have Visa or I-20 questions? Contact your ISS Advisor through TerraDotta (tutorials at <https://iss.wisc.edu/terra-dotta-tutorials/>).

a) Reduced Course Load Form Information

**If you are a F-1 or J-1 Visa international student and plan to graduate Fall 2021, please read the following important message.*

For F-1 or J-1 Visa students, there is an option for you to be enrolled in less than 12 credits in your final semester of study and maintain your visa status. You must complete a [Reduced Course Load](#) form in TerraDotta in order to qualify. It is highly recommended you to talk with a statistics advisor and complete this form prior to the last day of spring semester courses, even if you are unsure of how many credits you are going to enroll in. Failure to do so may result in being unable to drop courses before deadlines and not receiving a full refund on courses you drop.

7. **Planning to Graduate in Fall 2021?**

If you are planning to graduate December 2021, it is highly recommended that you apply for graduation after enrolling into your courses. To apply for graduation, follow these steps:

1. Login to My UW-Madison.
2. Open the Student Center app. If the app is not on your homepage, search for "Student Center". You can add the app to your homepage from the search results screen for easier access in the future.
3. Locate the "**Academic Records**" section on the Student Center.
4. Find and select the **Apply for graduation** on the left-hand side.
5. Click on the **Apply for Graduation** link for the Degree in which you are graduating.
6. Select the term in which you expect to receive your degree. Click the **Continue** button.
7. Select the commencement ceremony in which you plan to attend. Answer the two questions relating to how your name will print in the Commencement Program.
8. Click the **Submit Application** button. You will be brought to a Confirmation page. You should also receive an email stating you have successfully applied.
9. Verify your Name, Address, Degree and Commencement information.

For additional information, please visit <https://kb.wisc.edu/helpdesk/page.php?id=4128>.

****If you should have issues preventing you to enroll into courses at your enrollment time and your situation is unique, please contact your advisor as soon as possible.*