Data Science Majors:

Please carefully read this entire email as it contains important information regarding Fall 2022 enrollment. As always, if you have questions feel free to reach out to your advisors. If you have significant issues preventing you from enrolling in to courses at your enrollment time, please contact your advisor ASAP.

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**1. LINKS**

- Data Science major page: [https://stat.wisc.edu/undergraduate-data-science-studies/](https://stat.wisc.edu/undergraduate-data-science-studies/)
- Guide pages (2021 curriculum)
- STAT course enrollment FAQ: [https://stat.wisc.edu/courses-and-enrollment/](https://stat.wisc.edu/courses-and-enrollment/)
- COMP SCI course enrollment FAQ: [https://www.cs.wisc.edu/courses-2/](https://www.cs.wisc.edu/courses-2/)
- MATH course questions: [https://math.wisc.edu/undergraduate/placement/](https://math.wisc.edu/undergraduate/placement/)
- How to run a DARS report: [https://registrar.wisc.edu/dars-student/](https://registrar.wisc.edu/dars-student/)
- Dates and deadlines: [https://registrar.wisc.edu/dates/](https://registrar.wisc.edu/dates/)
- Enrollment holds: [https://kb.wisc.edu/helpdesk/page.php?id=4139](https://kb.wisc.edu/helpdesk/page.php?id=4139)
- Apply to graduate: [https://registrar.wisc.edu/applyforgraduation/](https://registrar.wisc.edu/applyforgraduation/)

**2. IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES** ([https://registrar.wisc.edu/dates/](https://registrar.wisc.edu/dates/))

- March 4, 2022: fall schedule of classes is available
- April 4-8, 2022: fall enrollment appointment times assigned
- April 11, 2022: fall enrollment begins

**3. ADVISING**

During the Spring 2022 term Data Science major advising will be offered by both Dana and Sara. Information about advising appointments, drop-in advising, and major declaration sessions are all available on the major webpage: [https://stat.wisc.edu/undergraduate-data-science-studies/](https://stat.wisc.edu/undergraduate-data-science-studies/). Please
remember if you have fairly simple questions that email is a great way to get a quick answer (and make sure to include your 10-digit Campus ID!): dsmajor@stat.wisc.edu.

4. 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 to see how to address the holds. 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.

5. NEW COURSES IN THE DATA SCIENCE MAJOR
The following courses have been approved for the Data Science major and are listed in the Course Search and Enroll app as of March 14. If you are interested in these courses you are welcome to take them and count them towards the major. DARS exceptions for these courses will all be entered after the early add/drop deadline in the spring term. Please see the course search and enroll app for more details on each course.

   - MACHINE LEARNING
     - GEN BUS 656 Machine Learning for Business Analytics
   - OTHER
     - LIS 464 Applied Database Design

6. PRIORITY ACCESS FOR STAT AND COMP SCI TAUGHT COURSES
There are a number of courses offered by Statistics (STAT) and Computer Sciences (COMP SCI) where Data Science majors (along with some other student populations) will have priority access. If you are interested in these courses it is strongly recommended that you enroll at your appointment time or you might miss out on the priority access when they are opened to a wider audience.

   - COMP SCI: 524, 540, 559, 564, 577
   - STAT: 340, 349 (lec 001), 421 (lec 001), 433 (lec 001), 443 (lec 001), 451 (lec 001 and 003)

It is very important, when looking at classes, to not just look at the prerequisites, but to also click through to the section and see if the course is restricted to specific audiences. For example, one lecture of COMP SCI 532 is only open to undergraduates and one lecture is only open to graduate and professional students.

If you are not yet declared in Data Science and want the priority access, you should complete the process to declare the major as soon as possible (https://stat.wisc.edu/undergraduate-data-science-studies/)

7. SPECIAL INFORMATION FOR F-1 AND J-1 STUDENTS
Please stay updated on guidance from ISS at https://iss.wisc.edu/.

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

8. PLANNING TO GRADUATE Fall 2022?
   1. Login to My UW-Madison (https://my.wisc.edu/).
   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.

Graduation related links:
- Office of the Registrar’s Apply for Graduation page: https://registrar.wisc.edu/applyforgraduation/
- Office of the Registrar’s diploma information page: https://registrar.wisc.edu/diploma/
- Applying to graduate in the student center: https://kb.wisc.edu/helpdesk/page.php?id=4128
- What appears on your transcript: https://kb.wisc.edu/registrar/page.php?id=96537
- Commencement: https://commencement.wisc.edu/