Here is a special edition of the weekly DS newsletter all about Fall 2024 enrollment.

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Please see our summer enrollment email for even more important updates!
On our website, scroll down to the 2nd section of the page, click to expand the “Future Semester Enrollment Information” button, and open the Summer 2024 Fall Enrollment Newsletter PDF (also linked here for convenience).

Important Dates
- March 13 – Fall Schedule of Classes live in Course Search & Enroll
- April 1 – Fall term enrollment appointment times assigned to students throughout this week
  - Check your MyUW Student Center and @wisc.edu email inbox
- April 8 -- Students begin enrolling for Fall 2024 term courses according to appointment times

Enrollment Holds
- View and clear your holds in the MyUW Student Center: holds may impact your ability to enroll in fall term
  - See step-by-step instructions for Viewing Your Holds in Student Center
Priority Access

- Some advanced STAT and COMP SCI courses will be giving priority enrollment for declared DS students (along with Stat & CS majors)
  - Several courses include STAT 340, LIS 461, COMP SCI 320, and other upper-level elective courses
- Check out "course notes" section (including section-level notes!) on Course Search and Enroll to find out if individual courses have priority enrollment access
- Priority enrollment does not guarantee access into major courses, but will allow declared DS students access to enroll before non-declared students

Enrollment Advice

- Plan back up classes!
  - It is likely your first choice classes may fill by your enrollment time. Plan ahead!
- Enroll as close to your appointment time as possible, and select the “add me to waitlist if course is full option”
  - Waiting to enroll may prevent you from getting a seat in your preferred classes
- Monitor Search & Enroll for added seats and/or sections
  - Spots may open up in different sections than the one you are wait listed in, and you can enroll into open seats!
- Re-validate your course selection before hitting ‘enroll’
  - this will help remove previous validation errors
- Read your validation errors FULLY
  - they give important information as to why you may be prevented from enrolling
- Do NOT enroll in courses that have time conflicts
  - if you cannot be in two places at once, you shouldn’t be enrolling in two courses!

Advising

- Visit the Data Science Major website for information on:
  - Scheduling individual advising appointments with advisors (best for complex questions or unique situations)
  - Attending virtual drop-in advising (best for minimal questions about enrollment)
- Quick questions? Send DS advisors an email!
  - Be sure to include your 10-digit campus ID
- Note: individual advising appointments can fill up quickly – it’s normal for our schedules to book 1-2 weeks in advance. Plan ahead!

New Data Science Major Courses

New courses have been approved for the Data Science major!! They are:

- **Foundation Ethics:**
  - ECE/I SY E 570 Ethics of Data for Engineers
  - Note enrollment prereqs!
- **Machine learning electives:**
  - BSE 405 Artificial Intelligence in Agriculture
  - CHEM 361 Machine Learning in Chemistry
- **Advanced computing electives:**
  - COMP SCI 565 Introduction to Data Visualization
  - MATH 444 Graphs and Networks in Data Science
- **Statistical modeling electives:**
  - ACT SCI 657 Risk Analytics
  - MATH 616 Data-Driven Dynamical Systems, Stochastic Modeling and Prediction* (offered Fall 2024!)
  - STAT 575 Statistical Methods for Spatial Data
- **“Other” DS electives:**
  - ACT SCI 655 Health Analytics* (offered Fall 2024!)
  - FW ECOL 395 Data and GIS Tools for Ecology
  - FW ECOL 458 Environmental Data Science
  - LIS 440 Navigating the Data Revolution: Concepts of Data & Information Science
Note enrollment prereqs!

- LSC 460 Social Media Analytics
- LSC 660 Data Analysis in Communications Research
- MATH 331 Introductory Probability (offered Fall 2024!)
- SOIL SCI 585 Using R for Social and Environmental Sciences
- SOC 618 Social Network Analysis

Please check the Data Science Guide Requirements page for the most up-to-date published curriculum for Data Science. Here is a list of courses added since this was published on June 1, 2023 that will appear in Guide beginning June 1, 2024: SOC 618, MATH 444, COMP SCI 565, E C E/I SY E 570, L I S 440, LSC 460, LSC 660, STAT 575, MATH 331, SOIL SCI 575

F-1/J-1 Visa Students

- ISS Fall/spring enrollment requirements: visa-holding students must enroll in a minimum of 12 credits in the fall term
- Online enrollment restrictions apply, see link above for details

Reduced Course Load Form Information for Fall 2024 graduating students

- Graduating in December? You may enroll in less than 12 credits while maintaining your visa status!
  - Complete the internal Stats/DS Reduced Course Load Form to qualify.
  - Your assigned DS advisor will reach out with next steps after reviewing
- Fill this out before the first day of fall term; failure to submit the form may impact refunds on courses you drop

Graduating students:

- Complete the program completion checklist
- Provide friends & family with an invitation letter if they are applying for a tourist visa to visit you

December 2024 Graduation

If you are planning to graduate in December 2024, you MUST apply for graduation after enrolling into your courses. Follow these Apply for Graduation steps:

- Login to MyUW
- 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
- Locate the "Academic Records" section on the Student Center
- Find and select the Apply for graduation on the left-hand side
- Click on the Apply for Graduation link for the Degree in which you are graduating
- Select the term in which you expect to receive your degree
  - Click the Continue button.
- 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
- Click the Submit Application button
  - You will be brought to a Confirmation page
  - You should also receive an email stating you have successfully applied
- Verify your Name, Address, Degree and Commencement information

For additional information, please visit the Registrar’s Office Apply for Graduation webpage!

Visit our Department of Statistics Alumni Webpage to stay in-the-know post-graduation!

As always, if you have issues preventing you from enrolling at your enrollment time (either technical or personal), please contact the Data Science advisors (dsmajor@stat.wisc.edu) as soon as possible. Please include your campus ID and screenshots.
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