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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**
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Enrollment Holds

- View and clear your holds in the MyUW Student Center: holds may impact your ability to enroll in fall term
 - Check occasionally between now and your enrollment appointment time!
 - [See step-by-step instructions for Viewing Your Holds in Student Center](#)
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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, L I S 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
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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!
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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!
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New Data Science Major Courses

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

- **Foundation Ethics:**
 - E C E/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
 - L I S 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
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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.

Your DS advisors,
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