

Summer 2026 Enrollment Information for Data Science Certificate



Are you planning to take summer courses? Please review this email for Data Science certificate course offerings this summer.

Due to the time commitment required and rigor/workload of Data Science courses, we recommend a **maximum of one (1) data science/coding/quantitative class over the summer term**. If you anticipate working long hours or significant travel plans, please make sure to factor in enough time to complete your coursework.

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IMPORTANT DATES (<https://registrar.wisc.edu/dates/>)

- **Now** – Summer 2026 courses available on Course Search & Enroll
- **Week of March 16** – Summer term enrollment appointment times assigned to students throughout this week (check your MyUW Student Center and @wisc.edu email inbox).
- **Week of March 23** - Students begin enrolling for Summer 2026 term courses according to appointment times.

ADVISING

Minimal & Quick Questions – Email dscert@stat.wisc.edu or attend **Zoom Drop-Ins**

Zoom drop-in advising is available [every Wednesday from 1-2 PM](#). No drop-ins on Apr 1.

If you have issues preventing you from enrolling at your enrollment time (either technical or personal), please email dscert@stat.wisc.edu.

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Complex Questions – Schedule a Starfish Appointment

Individual one-on-one appointments are preferred for complex questions, unique situations, or discussing course plans **BEYOND** the Summer 2026 semester.

If you wish to switch to the Data Science major, please meet with a [DS major advisor](#).

Please see the following links if you have further questions.

- STAT course enrollment FAQ: <https://stat.wisc.edu/courses-and-enrollment/>
 - COMP SCI course enrollment FAQ: <https://www.cs.wisc.edu/courses-2/>
 - How to run a DARS report: <https://registrar.wisc.edu/dars-student/>
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ENROLLMENT HOLDS

Please check your Student Center to check for any holds or tasks that will impact your enrollment.

- [Viewing your Holds](#)
 - [Pre-Enrollment Checklist](#)
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SUMMER COURSE EQUIVALENCIES

- Courses taken outside of UW are allowed: be sure to check [Transferology](#) to find out if/how your planned class will transfer back to UW
 - [Transferology Portal](#)
 - [Transferology User Guide](#) (Tutorials!)
 - Transfer courses are subject to summer term credit limits (see below for details)
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SUMMER ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS

- Students can enroll in 1 credit per week of session, per [university enrollment policy](#) (some exceptions apply)
 - **Example:** enrolled in a 4-week summer session? You are allowed to enroll in up to 4 credits maximum
 - **Exception:** if you're enrolling in the 8-week general session, you may take 9 credits
 - Course Search & Enroll does NOT allow you to enroll for more credits than the session limit
 - Maximum summer term credit limit: 12
 - Inquire with your school/college Academic Deans office to inquire about exceptions
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- Follow the [summer credit overload policy](#) if pursuing an exception after contacting the deans
 - Credit limits apply even if you are taking courses outside of UW-Madison
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SUMMER 2026 DATA SCIENCE COURSES

Below is the list of planned courses for Summer 2026. Please go to [course search and enroll](#) to view course dates and modality.

Foundation

- Programming: STAT 240, COMP SCI 220 or 320
- Data Ethics: L I S 461, PHILOS 244

Fundamental Electives

- COMP SCI 320, 532, 544
- ECON 315, 410, 570
- STAT 436

ED PSYCH 551 and GEOG 574 are restricted to graduate students so DS cert students cannot enroll.

Domain Electives

- COMP SCI/E C E/I SY E 524
 - GEN BUS 307
 - L I S 407, 440
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ACTION ITEMS FOR SUMMER 2026 GRADUATES

Apply for Graduation

If you are planning to graduate in Summer 2026, you **MUST** apply for graduation after enrolling in your courses. [Please click here for a step-by-step guide on how to apply.](#)

Additional links regarding graduation

- Office of the Registrar's [diploma information webpage](#)
- What appears on your [transcript](#)
- [University Commencement](#)

What if I do not see Data Science certificate on my graduation application?

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The Apply for Graduation portal will only display a student's degree (and/or affiliated major). Your graduation application applies to all your declared majors and certificates; no additional steps are necessary.