DATA SCIENCE, BS

REQUIREMENTS

UNIVERSITY GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

All undergraduate students at the University of Wisconsin–Madison are required to fulfill a minimum set of common university general education requirements to ensure that every graduate acquires the essential core of an undergraduate education. This core establishes a foundation for living a productive life, being a citizen of the world, appreciating aesthetic values, and engaging in lifelong learning in a continually changing world. Various schools and colleges will have requirements in addition to the requirements listed below. Consult your advisor for assistance, as needed. For additional information, see the university Undergraduate General Education Requirements (http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/#requirementsforundergraduatestudytext) section of the Guide.

General Education

• Breadth—Humanities/Literature/Arts: 6 credits
• Breadth—Natural Science: 4 to 6 credits, consisting of one 4- or 5-credit course with a laboratory component; or two courses providing a total of 6 credits
• Breadth—Social Studies: 3 credits
• Communication Part A Part B *
• Ethnic Studies *
• Quantitative Reasoning Part A Part B *

* The mortarboard symbol appears before the title of any course that fulfills one of the Communication Part A or Part B, Ethnic Studies, or Quantitative Reasoning Part A or Part B requirements.

COLLEGE OF LETTERS & SCIENCE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS: BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (BS)

Students pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in the College of Letters & Science must complete all of the requirements below. The College of Letters & Science allows this major to be paired with either the Bachelor of Arts or the Bachelor of Science degree requirements.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Mathematics

Complete two courses of 3+ credits at the Intermediate or Advanced level in MATH, COMP SCI, or STAT subjects. A maximum of one course in each of COMP SCI and STAT subjects counts toward this requirement.

Language

Complete the third unit of a language other than English.

LS Breadth

Complete:
• 12 credits of Humanities, which must include at least 6 credits of Literature; and
• 12 credits of Social Science; and
• 12 credits of Natural Science, which must include 6 credits of Biological Science and 6 credits of Physical Science.

Liberal Arts and Science Coursework

Complete at least 108 credits.

Depth of Intermediate/Advanced Coursework

Complete at least 60 credits at the Intermediate or Advanced level.

Major

Declare and complete at least one major.

Total Credits

Complete at least 120 credits.

UW-Madison Experience

Complete both:
• 30 credits in residence, overall, and
• 30 credits in residence after the 86th credit.

Quality of Work

• 2.000 in all coursework at UW–Madison
• 2.000 in Intermediate/Advanced level coursework at UW–Madison

NON–L&S STUDENTS PURSUING AN L&S MAJOR

Non–L&S students who have permission from their school/college to pursue an additional major within L&S only need to fulfill the major requirements. They do not need to complete the L&S Degree Requirements above.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MAJOR

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### Electives

**Students must complete at least one course from each of the four following categories, plus additional electives to reach the minimum credits. Additional courses taken within each category (except for linear algebra) may count towards other electives.**

#### Machine Learning

Complete one of the following:

- **COMP SCI/E CE/ M E 532** Matrix Methods in Machine Learning
- **COMP SCI/E CE/ M E 539** Introduction to Artificial Neural Networks
- **GEN BUS 540** Introduction to Artificial Intelligence
- **I SYE 521** Machine Learning in Action for Industrial Engineers
- **MATH 535** Mathematical Methods in Data Science
- **PHYSICS 361** Machine Learning in Physics
- **STAT 451** Introduction to Machine Learning and Statistical Pattern Classification
- **STAT 453** Introduction to Deep Learning and Generative Models

**Credits:** 3

#### Advanced Computing

Complete one of the following:

- **COMP SCI 400** Programming III
- **COMP SCI 412** Introduction to Numerical Methods
- **COMP SCI/ STAT 471** Introduction to Computational Statistics
- **COMP SCI/ MATH 513** Numerical Linear Algebra
- **COMP SCI/ MATH 514** Numerical Analysis
- **COMP SCI/E CE/ I SYE 524** Introduction to Optimization
- **COMP SCI 544** Introduction to Big Data Systems
- **COMP SCI 564** Database Management Systems: Design and Implementation
- **COMP SCI 565** Introduction to Data Visualization
- **COMP SCI/ B M I 576** Introduction to Bioinformatics
- **GEOG 573** Advanced Geocomputing and Geospatial Big Data Analytics
- **GEOG 574** Geospatial Database Design and Development
- **MATH 444** Graphs and Networks in Data Science

**Credits:** 3

#### Statistical Modeling

Complete one of the following:

- **ECON 400** Introduction to Applied Econometrics
- **ECON 410** Introductory Econometrics
- **ECON 460** Economic Forecasting

**Credits:** 3

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#### Linear Algebra

Complete one from the following. Only one course from the linear algebra list can be used towards the major:

- **MATH 320** Linear Algebra and Differential Equations
- **MATH 340** Elementary Matrix and Linear Algebra
- **MATH 341** Linear Algebra
- **MATH 375** Topics in Multi-Variable Calculus and Linear Algebra

**Credits:** 3

#### Other Electives

For additional electives students may complete courses from the list below or additional courses from the required categories above:

- **COMP SCI/I SYE/ MATH 425** Introduction to Combinatorial Optimization
- **COMP SCI/I SYE/ MATH/ STAT 525** Linear Optimization
- **COMP SCI/E CE 533** Image Processing
- **COMP SCI 559** Computer Graphics
- **COMP SCI/ B M I 567** Medical Image Analysis
- **COMP SCI 577** Introduction to Algorithms
- **E CE 203** Signals, Information, and Computation
- **ECON 315** Data Visualization for Economists

**Credits:** 6
ECON 570 Fundamentals of Data Analytics for Economists
ECON 695 Topics in Economic Data Analysis
GEOG 378 Introduction to Geocomputing
GEOG 572 Graphic Design in Cartography
GEOG 575 Interactive Cartography & Geovisualization
I SY E 323 Operations Research-Deterministic Modeling
I SY E 412 Fundamentals of Industrial Data Analytics
I SY E/M E 512 Inspection, Quality Control and Reliability
I SY E 612 Information Sensing and Analysis for Manufacturing Processes
INFO SYS 322 Introduction to Databases
L I S 407 Data Storytelling with Visualization
L I S 440 Navigating the Data Revolution: Concepts of Data & Information Science
L I S 464 Applied Database Design
L I S 501 Introduction to Text Mining
LSC 460 Social Media Analytics
LSC 660 Data Analysis in Communications Research
MATH 331 Introductory Probability
SOC 351 Introduction to Survey Methods for Social Research
SOC/ C&E SOC 618 Social Network Analysis
SOC/ C&E SOC 693 Practicum in Analysis and Research
SOIL SCI 585 Using R for Soil and Environmental Sciences
STAT 405 Data Science Computing Project
STAT 433 Data Science with R

Total Credits 18

UNIVERSITY DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

To receive a bachelor’s degree from UW–Madison, students must earn a minimum of 120 degree credits. The requirements for some programs may exceed 120 degree credits. Students should consult with their college or department advisor for information on specific credit requirements.

RESIDENCE & QUALITY OF WORK

- 2.000 GPA in all major courses
- 2.000 GPA in all upper level work in the major
- 15 credits in the major, taken on the UW–Madison campus

FOOTNOTES

1 Upper-level in the major includes L I S 461 and all courses counting towards the Electives requirement (i.e. Machine Learning, Advanced Computing, Statistical Modeling, Linear Algebra, and Other Electives).

2 Students are only allowed to count one course from each of probability (MATH 331, STAT/MATH 309, STAT 311, or STAT/MATH 431), inference (STAT/MATH 310 or STAT 312), and linear algebra (MATH 320, MATH 340, MATH 341, or MATH 375) towards the major.