

# DATA SCIENCE, MINOR

Data Science applies core concepts in computer science, statistics and mathematics to problems in a wide variety of fields, from physical, social, biomedical, and behavioral sciences to arts and humanities. The minor targets students with strong analytical abilities and some existing programming experience, and requires courses in statistics, data-centric programming, data management, and data analysis. It also points to courses across the University that deal with data in areas of importance to Data Science.

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## Data Science Minor

Code	Title	Course Units
<b>Core Requirements</b>		<b>4</b>
CIS 120	Programming Languages and Techniques I	
CIS 419/519	Applied Machine Learning <sup>2</sup>	
	or STAT 471 Modern Data Mining	
	or CIS 520 Machine Learning	
NETS 212	Scalable and Cloud Computing	
	or CIS 545 Big Data Analytics	
ENM 321	Engineering Statistics	
	or ESE 402 Statistics for Data Science	
	or STAT 431 Statistical Inference	
<b>Data Science Electives<sup>1</sup></b>		<b>2</b>

Two electives required from two of the categories below. Approval required.

### Data-Centric Programming

CIS 105	Computational Data Exploration
ENGR 105	Introduction to Scientific Computing
OIDD 311	Business Computer Languages
STAT 405	Statistical Computing with R (Cannot be taken by SEAS students)
STAT 470	Data Analytics and Statistical Computing
ESE 305	Foundations of Data Science

### Statistics

EAS 205	Applications of Scientific Computing.
CIS 261	Discrete Probability, Stochastic Processes, and Statistical Inference
ESE 301	Engineering Probability
BIOL 446	Statistics for Biologists
STAT 430	Probability
STAT 476	Applied Probability Models in Marketing

### Data Collection, Representation, Management and Retrieval

CIS 455/555	Internet and Web Systems
CIS 450	Database and Information Systems
or CIS 550	Database and Information Systems
NETS 213	Crowdsourcing and Human Computation
OIDD 105	Developing Tools for Data Access and Analysis (VBA and SQL Programming)
STAT 475	Sample Survey Design
<b>Data Analysis</b>	
CIS 419	Applied Machine Learning
or CIS 519	Applied Machine Learning
CIS 421	Artificial Intelligence
CIS 520	Machine Learning
MKTG 212	Data and Analysis for Marketing Decisions
MKTG 309	Special Topics: Experiments for Business Decision Making
OIDD 410	Decision Support Systems
STAT 422	Predictive Analytics for Business
STAT 435	Forecasting Methods for Management
STAT 471	Modern Data Mining
STAT 474	Modern Regression for the Social, Behavioral and Biological Sciences
STAT 520	Applied Econometrics I
<b>Modeling</b>	
NETS 312	Theory of Networks
MKTG 271	Models for Marketing Strategy
OIDD 325	Computer Simulation Models
OIDD 353	Mathematical Modeling and its Application in Finance
STAT 433	Stochastic Processes
STAT 436	
Total Course Units	6

<sup>1</sup> Approval required.

<sup>2</sup> Both CIS 419/519 and CIS 520 cannot be taken for credit toward the minor.

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2020 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.