

B.S. Degree – Data Analytics Major Degree Requirements

Social Science Analytics Specialization

The program requirements for the Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Data Analytics and a specialization in **Social Science Analytics** are given below. A minimum of 134 total degree hours are required for graduation.

The Required Core courses follow a strict prerequisite structure. Some courses are only offered once per year. Failure to successfully enroll in and complete these courses *will* delay graduation.

Data Analytics Major Requirements

Course Number	Course Title	Credit Hours	Terms Offered
Prerequisites			
CSE 1223 or 1224 ^a	Intro to Computer Programming in Java or Python	3	AU/SP/SU
Math 1152 ^b	Calculus II	5	AU/SP/SU
Required Core			
Math 2568	Linear Algebra	3	AU/SP/SU
ISE 3230	Systems Modeling and Optimization	3	AU
CSE 2221 ^b	Software I: Software Components	4	AU/SP/SU
CSE 2231	Software II: Development and Design	4	AU/SP/SU
CSE 2321	Foundations I: Discrete Structures	3	AU/SP/SU
CSE 2421 or 3430	Systems I: Computer Systems and Organization	4	AU/SP/SU
CSE 3241	Databases I: Computer Architecture	3	AU/SP/SU
CSE 3244 or 5242	Data Management in the Cloud or Advanced Database Systems	3	AU/SP
CSE 5243	Data Mining	3	AU/SP
CSE 5544 or ISE 5760	Data Visualization	3	AU/SP
STAT 3201	Probability for Data Analytics	3	AU/SP
STAT 3202	Statistical Inference for Data Analytics	4	AU/SP/SU
STAT 3301	Statistical Modeling for Discovery I	3	AU
STAT 3302	Statistical Modeling for Discovery II	3	SP
STAT 4620	Statistical Learning	2	AU
STAT 3303	Statistical Decision Making	3	SP
TOTAL		51	

^a CSE 1222 or CSE placement level A can also fulfill this prerequisite; however, 1223 or 1224 is *strongly preferred*.

^b Math 1152 and CSE 2221 must be completed before applying to the Data Analytics major program.

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Overview of Research Methods	Choose one course from list below	3	AU/SP
Electives	Choose 9 credit hours from list below	9	AU/SP/SU
STAT 4911	Capstone in Data Analytics	4	SP
DEPT 4998/4999 ^c	Independent Research in the Social Sciences	3	AU/SP/SU
TOTAL		19	

^c Students pursuing the Social Science Analytics specialization are required to complete an independent research project of their choosing under the guidance of a faculty member. You are encouraged to meet with a Data Analytics advisor early in your third year to discuss options for fulfilling this requirement. A syllabus for this project is linked here: [Social Science Analytics Research Syllabus.pdf](#).

OVERVIEW OF RESEARCH METHODS			
COURSE	TITLE	HOURS	PREREQUISITES
Choose one of the following:			
COMM 3160	Communications Research Methods	4	STAT 1450 or higher
POLISCI 4781	Data Analysis in Political Science	3	MATH 1151 and one POLISCI course at 3000-level or higher
PSYCH 2300	Research Methods in Psychology	3	PSYCH 1100 or 1100H
SOCIOLOG 3487	Research Methods in Sociology	3	None

ELECTIVES: FOCUSED RESEARCH METHODS AND VISUALIZATION AND SPATIAL ANALYSES			
COURSE	TITLE	HOURS	PREREQUISITES
Choose three of the following:			
ANTHRO 5650	Research Design and Ethnographic Methods	3	ANTHROP 2202
ANTHRO 5651	Spatial Analysis for Anthropologists	3	GEOG 5210
COMM 3163	Communication Industry Research Methods	4	STAT 1450 or higher
ECON 4050	Experimental Economics	3	ECON 2001.xx or equiv.
ECON 5410	Econometrics I	3	ECON 4001.xx and STAT 2450 or higher
ECON 5420	Econometrics II	3	ECON 5410 and 4002.xx
GEOG 5200	Cartography and Map Design	3	None
GEOG 5201	GeoVisualization	3	GEOG 5200
GEOG 5210	Fundamentals of Geographic Information Systems	3	None
GEOG 5222	GIS Algorithms & Programming	3	GEOG 5210 and 5212 and CSE 1114
GEOG 5223	Design & Implementation of GIS	3	GEOG 5222
GEOG 5225	Geographic Applications of Remote Sensing	3	None
GEOG 5226	Spatial Simulation and Modeling	3	None
POLISCI 3780	Data Literacy and Data Visualization	3	None
PSYCH 4511	Psychological Testing	3	PSYCH 2220 and 2300

General Education and College of Arts & Sciences Requirements

Students must satisfy the General Education requirements for the Bachelor of Science degree in the College of Arts and Sciences. Math 1151^d is required for the major core curriculum; it is suggested that students use this course to satisfy the category indicated in the table below. Students in the Data Analytics major satisfy the GE's embedded literacy requirements by taking Stat 3301 (embedded literacy in data analysis) and Stat 3302 (embedded literacies in advanced writing and technology).

GE Category ^e	Suggested Course	Category Credit Hours
Launch Seminar (GENED 1201)		1
F: Writing and Information Literacy		3
F: Mathematical and Quantitative Reasoning/Data Analysis	Math 1151 ^d (5 cr. hrs.)	3–5
F: Literary, Visual and Performing Arts		3
F: Historical and Cultural Studies		3
F: Natural Science		4–5
F: Social and Behavioral Sciences		3
F: Race, Ethnicity, and Gender Diversity		3
T: Citizenship for a Diverse and Just World		4–6
T: Student Choice		4–6
Reflection Seminar (GENED 4001)		1
World Languages		12
ARTSSCI 1100.xx Survey		1
Minimum Total Credit Hours (w/Math 1151)		51

^dMath 1151 may be replaced by Math 1140 and 1141.

^e F: GE Foundations; T: GE Theme.

Sample Four-Year Curriculum

This should be used as a **guide** only. Semester offerings are subject to change. Students should meet with the Data Analytics academic advisor every semester to ensure an on-time graduation.

Year	Autumn		Spring	
	Course	Hours	Course	Hours
1	ASC 1100.10	1	GENED 1201	1
	MATH 1151/1141/1161/1181H	5	MATH 1152/2162/1172/2182H	5
	CSE 1223, 1224, or equiv	3	CSE 2221	4
	GE World Language 1	4	GE World Language 2	4
	GE Writing and Info Literacy	3	GE Social and Behavioral Sciences	3
		Total: 16		Total: 17
2	CSE 2231	4	MATH 2568	3
	CSE 2321	3	CSE 2421 or 3430	4
	STAT 3201	3	STAT 3202	4
	GE World Language 3	4	GE Natural Science	4-5
	GE Literary, Visual and Performing Arts	3	Elective	1
		Total: 17		Total: 16-17
3	ISE 3230	3	CSE 3244	3
	CSE 3241	3	STAT 3302	3
	STAT 3301	3	Specialization Elective <i>g</i>	3
	Overview of Research Methods	3	Specialization Elective <i>g</i>	3
	GE Citizenship for a Diverse and Just World	3	GE Citizenship for a Diverse and Just World	3
	Elective	2	GE Thematic Pathway Choice <i>f</i>	3
		Total: 17		Total: 18
4	CSE 5243	3	STAT 3303	3
	STAT 4620	2	CSE 5544 or ISE 5760	3
	Specialization Elective <i>g</i>	3	GE Historical and Cultural Studies	3
	DEPT 4998/4999 Research	3	STAT 4911 Capstone	4
	GE Thematic Pathway Choice <i>f</i>	3	GENED 4001	1
	GE Race, Ethnicity, and Gender Diversity	3	Elective	2
			Total: 17	

f The 4–6 GE Thematic Pathway Choice credit hours must be taken in the same theme.

g From approved list of major specialization elective courses.