Data Science and Analysis BS, Biology Emphasis

General Education Requirements
Students must satisfy the university general education requirements. Many of the courses for the degree may be used to fulfill math proficiency, information literacy, social science, and math and life/natural sciences requirements. The program recommends students take ENGL 3130 Technical Writing or ENGL 3120 Business Writing to satisfy the Junior-Level Writing requirement. Emphasis areas may require one of these courses. There is no foreign language requirement for the degree.

Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory Option
Courses required for the major may not be taken on a satisfactory/unsatisfactory basis.

Degree Requirements
The BS in Data Science and Analysis consists of a set of core courses along with an emphasis area. Students must earn a minimum grade of C- in all core courses and emphasis area courses.

Core Courses

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<th>Calculus Course</th>
<th>Analytic Geometry and Calculus I 1 or Basic Calculus</th>
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<td>MATH 1800</td>
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Statistics Course
The Introduction to Statistics course should align with the student's Discipline Emphasis Area.
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<td>SOC 3220</td>
<td>Quantitative Data Analysis in Social Science Research</td>
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<td>BIOL 4122</td>
<td>Biostatistics</td>
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<td>ECON 3100</td>
<td>Economic Data and Statistics</td>
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<td>CRIMIN 2220</td>
<td>Statistical Analysis in Criminology and Criminal Justice</td>
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<td>MATH 1320</td>
<td>Introduction to Probability and Statistics</td>
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<td>PSYCH 2201</td>
<td>Psychological Statistics</td>
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<td>POL SCI 3000</td>
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<td>SCMA 3300</td>
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Additional Required Courses

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<td>MATH 4005</td>
<td>Exploratory Data Analysis with R</td>
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<td>CMP SCI 1250</td>
<td>Introduction to Computing</td>
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<td>CMP SCI 4200</td>
<td>Python for Scientific Computing and Data Science</td>
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<td>CMP SCI 4342 or MATH 4250</td>
<td>Introduction to Data Mining or Introduction to Statistical Methods in Learning and Modeling</td>
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Total Hours 18-20

Emphasis Area Requirements

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<td>BIOL 1821</td>
<td>Introductory Biology: Organisms and the Environment (MOTR BIOL 150L)</td>
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<td>BIOL 1831</td>
<td>Introductory Biology: From Molecules to Organisms (MOTR BIOL 150L)</td>
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<td>BIOL 2012</td>
<td>Genetics</td>
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<td>CHEM 1111</td>
<td>Introductory Chemistry I (MOTR CHEM 150L)</td>
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<td>BIOL 4436</td>
<td>Applied Bioinformatics</td>
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<td>BIOL 2102</td>
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<td>BIOL 3622</td>
<td>Cell Biology</td>
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<td>BIOL 4182</td>
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<td>BIOL 4602</td>
<td>Molecular Biology</td>
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<td>BIOL 4732</td>
<td>Principles of Biochemistry</td>
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Total Hours 30

Learning Outcomes
Upon completion of the program, graduates will be able to:

- Apply knowledge of statistical data collection, analysis and quantitative modeling techniques
- Demonstrate proficiency in industry-standard programming languages that support data acquisition, retrieval and analysis
- Select, apply and build data-based models and visualizations to devise solutions to data science problems
- Effectively communicate technical results and recommendations in various formats to appropriate audiences
- Demonstrate an understanding of the fundamental principles of biology including the structure and functions of cells and their components, heredity and variation in populations, and evolution
- Apply statistical concepts and data science methods to analyze real-world problems in biology

1 Students interested in the Computer Science emphasis area, the Mathematics Emphasis Area, or in taking additional mathematics courses should take MATH 1800.
2 MATH 4250 is available for Mathematics Emphasis Area students.