

ANALYTICS (DATA)

DATA 557 - Introduction to Data Science and Analytics

Credits: 4

An introduction to data science and analytics. The landscape of analytics, including an overview of industries and sectors using analytics or expected to use analytics in the near future. Data generation, data management, data cleaning, and data preparation. Ethical use of data. Focus on visual and exploratory analysis. Project-based, with an emphasis on collaborative, experiential learning. Programming and statistical software will be used, but previous experience is not required.

Attributes: Environment, TechSociety(Disc)

DATA 674 - Predictive and Prescriptive Analytics I

Credits: 4

A first course in predictive and prescriptive analytics. Supervised learning models including linear models and CART models. Model assessment and scoring methods, including cross-validation. Regularization and model tuning. Unsupervised learning models including k-means clustering. Project-based, with an emphasis on collaborative, experiential learning. Statistical software will be used and programming required. Prereq: MATH 425, COMP 570, DATA 557.

DATA 675 - Predictive and Prescriptive Analytics II

Credits: 4

A second course in predictive and prescriptive analytics. Time series analysis and model ensembles. Bootstrapping, simulation, optimization. Monte Carlo methods. Project-based, with an emphasis on collaborative experiential learning. Statistical software will be used and programming required. Prereq: DATA 674.

DATA 690 - Internship Experience

Credits: 4

A field-based learning experience via placement in a business, non-profit, or government organization using analytics. Under the guidance of a faculty advisor and workplace supervisor, students gain practical experience solving problems and improving operational processes using analytics. May be repeated but no more than 4 credits may fill major requirements. Prereq: UMST 582.

Repeat Rule: May be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits.

DATA 750 - Neural Networks

Credits: 4

Artificial neural networks power the recent advances in computer vision, speech recognition, and machine translation. This is a first course on neural networks with a focus on applications in computer vision and natural language processing. Topics will include generic feedforward neural networks, convolutional neural networks for computer vision tasks, and recurrent neural networks with application to natural language processing, with other topics to be selected based on the interests of the instructor and the class. Prereq: Senior status.

Equivalent(s): COMP 750

DATA 757 - Big Data

Credits: 4

A first course in large-scale analytics and data science. Characteristics of big data and the emerging software stack for working with massive datasets, including Hadoop and MapReduce. Algorithms for extracting information from massive datasets. A first course in linear algebra is not a prerequisite, but is recommended. Prereq: MATH 425, DATA 557, or instructor permission.

DATA 790 - Capstone Project

Credits: 4

Under direction of a faculty mentor, students work in teams to find solutions to complex real-world problems using analytics. Projects may come from internal or external sources. Students define the problem, obtain the necessary data, develop suitable models and solutions, and present their results. Prereq: Senior status.