

# DATA SCIENCE, BA

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Information on group declaration sessions, individual advising appointments, drop-in advising, and contact information for advisors is available on our website (<https://stat.wisc.edu/undergraduate-data-science-studies/>).

### WHAT DO DATA SCIENTISTS DO?

Data scientists are trained to manage, process, model, gain meaning and knowledge, and present data. These skills can be employed in a wide variety of different sectors of employment. Examples of interests of our students include finance, banking, sports analytics, marketing, retail, humanities, psychology, biosciences, healthcare, and consulting, just to name a few. Students are encouraged to combine Data Science with majors, certificates, and courses from differing areas to best be able to apply their data science in the area of their choosing.

Data science is one of the fastest-growing areas of jobs in the United States and in Wisconsin. The Occupational Outlook Handbook (OOH) from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (<https://www.bls.gov/ooh/math/data-scientists.htm>) shows the job growth outlook from 2023-33 for Data Scientists to be 36% (much faster than average).

Some students may want to continue to develop additional advanced data science skills through graduate education.

### DEPARTMENTAL RESOURCES

- Data Science Skills Sheet ([https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Srak\\_e7Arr4XA9WBZ0xiOTPZnIUxPfsE/view/](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Srak_e7Arr4XA9WBZ0xiOTPZnIUxPfsE/view/)), aka What you can do with your Data Science major
- Career Pathways for Statistics and Data Science Canvas Course (<https://canvas.wisc.edu/enroll/3JWLRW/>)
- Department of Statistics Student Career Resources webpage (<https://stat.wisc.edu/student-career-resources/>)

### SUCCESSWORKS

SuccessWorks (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/>) at the College of Letters & Science helps you turn the academic skills learned in your classes into a fulfilling life, guiding you every step of the way to securing jobs, internships, or admission to graduate school.

Through one-on-one career advising, events, and resources, you can explore career options, build valuable internship and research experience, and connect with supportive alumni and employers who open doors of opportunity.

- What you can do with your major (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/what-you-can-do-with-your-major/>) (Major Skills & Outcomes Sheets)
- Make a career advising appointment (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/make-an-appointment/>)
- Learn about internships and internship funding (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/finding-a-job-or-internship/>)

- Try “Jobs, Internships, & How to Get Them,” (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/canvas/>) an interactive guide in Canvas for enrolled UW–Madison students