



## Graduate Programs in Data Science

**Master of Professional Studies  
and Graduate Certificate:**  
*Data Science*



### **DATA SCIENCE - A PROFESSIONALLY-FOCUSED AND RELEVANT GRADUATE DEGREE**

- » Learn the latest data science tools and machine learning techniques to work with data at scale, derive insights from structured and unstructured data in different formats, and solve real-world problems.
- » Gain skills to build predictive/prescriptive models and neural networks, run evaluations, and interpret results.
- » Develop effective presentation skills and visualization methods to communicate data-driven findings to executive stakeholders.
- » Understand legal and ethical implications of data privacy, data security, and bias.

### **WHEN YOU CHOOSE UMBC PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS, YOU CAN COUNT ON:**

- » Courses developed and taught by industry experts and designed to address real-world applications of data science.
- » Programs that use case-based studies to bring student and faculty experiences into the classroom.
- » Curriculum that prepares students for careers in data science, analytics, predictive modeling, business intelligence, and data mining in data-driven industries including finance, healthcare, biotechnology, and sports.
- » Flexible evening and online class schedule that accommodates working professionals.

### **WHY UMBC?**

- » UMBC provides a comprehensive and quality education at a manageable cost.
- » UMBC is uniquely positioned to provide education and training that respond to the growing regional and national demand for professionals with data science knowledge, skills, and abilities.
- » The 2017 U.S. News & World Report Best Colleges guide ranks UMBC in the top five on its closely-watched Most Innovative Schools list and has recognized UMBC as a global leader in higher education.

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## ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

- » An undergraduate degree in any subject
- » Students must have prior coursework to include college-level math, statistics, and programming.
  - » Students who do not have prior coursework or industrial experience should take online courses in statistics, linear algebra, and programming.
- » Minimum undergraduate GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.

## ADMISSIONS DEADLINES

**Fall:** August 1

**Spring:** December 1

For detailed application process please visit [datascience.umbc.edu](https://datascience.umbc.edu)

### Office of Professional Programs

UMBC's Office of Professional Programs offers a broad array of professionally focused master's degree and certificate programs that address industry needs while anticipating future opportunities.

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# Master's of Professional Studies (M.P.S.):

## Data Science

30 Credits (10 courses)

### REQUIRED CORE COURSES

#### 21 CREDITS

- DATA 601\*: Introduction to Data Science\*\*
- DATA 602\*: Introduction to Data Analysis and Machine Learning
- DATA 603\*: Platforms for Big Data Processing
- DATA 604\*: Data Management
- ENMG 652: Management, Leadership and Communication
- DATA 605: Ethical and Legal Issues in Data Science
- DATA 606: Capstone in Data Science

### PATHWAY COURSES

#### SELECT 3 COURSES (9 CREDITS)

#### **PROJECT MANAGEMENT**

Catonsville and Shady Grove Campus  
*(in collaboration with the College of Engineering and Information Technology)*

#### **DATA SCIENCE ANALYTICS**

Catonsville Campus Only  
*(in collaboration with the Department of Information Systems)*

#### **POLICY ANALYSIS**

Catonsville Campus Only  
*(in collaboration with the Public Policy Department)*

#### **BIOINFORMATICS**

Catonsville and Shady Grove Campus  
*(in partnership with Foundation for Advanced Education Services @ NIH)*

#### **SPATIAL ANALYTICS**

Shady Grove Campus Only  
*(in collaboration with the Department of Geography and Environmental Systems)*



- \* Indicates courses needed for Data Science Certificate.
- \*\* Must be taken in 1st semester.

#### **MANAGEMENT SCIENCE**

Catonsville and Shady Grove Campus  
*(in collaboration with the College of Engineering and Information Technology)*

#### **CYBERSECURITY**

Catonsville and Shady Grove Campus  
*(in collaboration with the MPS in Cybersecurity Program)*

#### **HEALTHCARE ANALYSIS**

Catonsville Campus Only  
*(in collaboration with the MPS in Health Information Technology Program)*

#### **ADVANCED COMPUTING & ANALYTICS**

Catonsville Campus Only  
*(in collaboration with the Department of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering)*

#### **ECONOMICS/ECONOMETRICS**

Catonsville Campus Only  
*(in Collaboration with the Department of Economics)*

Note: Students pursuing the Project Management and/or Cybersecurity pathways are eligible for the respective certificate in Project Management and/or Cybersecurity Operations upon completion.

Please consult [datascience.umbc.edu](https://datascience.umbc.edu) for typical schedule and exact courses and course descriptions.

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For more information, <https://gradschool.umbc.edu/resources/careers/gainfulemploy/>