# MCCORMICK MINOR IN DATA SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

Fall 2023 Admissions

### Agenda

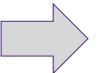
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### **Data-Driven Applications are Everywhere!**









Data Abstraction















Cloud computing

Programming

Visualization

Machine learning

A/B testing











Version control

Data cleaning

Big data processing

Anomaly detection

#### Data Science Intern

Oracle ★★★★☆ 6,568 reviews

**United States** 

Full-time, Internship

You must create an Indeed account before continuing to the company website to apply

#### Apply on company site



#### What You'll Bring (Objective Minimum Qualifications):

To be considered for a Data Scientist Intern position, you must possess the Objective Minimum Qualifications (OMQs) below. **Please ensure that your application clearly indicates that you meet these OMQs**, either on your resume and/or by uploading additional documents such as a transcript.

- Will be enrolled in a Bachelor's, Master's or PhD degree program in an applied business or quantitative field such as Statistics, Operations Research, Applied Mathematics, Computer Science, Economics, Business Analytics, or equivalent field during the 2023-2024 school year.
- Have completed at least your junior year toward your undergraduate degree, or higher, by summer 2023.
- Have no more than 12 months of professional full-time work experience in the technology field (excluding internships, research and/or teaching assistant roles, and military experience).
- Have academic coursework, projects, internships, and/or research experience with tools needed to execute the more technical aspects of statistical data analysis, including proficiency (e.g., can complete projects without any assistance) in at least one of the following programming languages:
  - Python, Java, R, SQL, PL/SQL.
- Have experience through coursework, projects, internships, and/or research with at least one of the following libraries:
  - Numpy, Scipy, Matplotlib, SciKit, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Spark
- Have completed coursework, projects, internships, and/or research in two or more of the following:
  - o Algorithms
  - o Artificial Intelligence
  - Big Data Query
  - Data Mining
  - Data Modeling
  - Machine Learning
  - Statistical Inference/Analysis

#### Data Scientist/ML Engineer

McDonald's Corporation ★★★☆ 213,693 reviews Chicago, IL 60607 Full-time

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#### Qualifications

- BS in Computer Science, Mathematics, Economics, Statistics or a related discipline
- Strong experience in object-oriented programming using Python
- Experience developing, training, and evaluating (supervised/unsupervised) machine
   learning models such as random forest, SVMs, Naive Bayes, gradient boosting and kNN
- Experience developing, training, and evaluating deep-learning models using deep learning frameworks such as TensorFlow/Keras or Pytorch
- Project experience in computer vision such as object detection, image classification, text localization, OCR and semantic segmentation
- Experience with Sagemaker, S3, GCP Compute Engine, CloudGPUs, Cloud Storage,
   OpenCV, Boto3
- Experience building models which have been deployed to production, edge deployment
   preferred
- Strong ability to solve problems and to structure and simplify complex tasks
- Willingness to continue personal development in to stay at the cutting edge of data science
- Ability to build a sense of trust and rapport that creates a comfortable and effective workplace

### **Program Objectives**

- Computational and algorithmic skills to work with data.
- Practical and foundational knowledge to the data science lifecycle.
- Hands-on experience with on collecting, cleaning, and analyzing data
- Ability to harvest insights from data and think critically about data-driven decision making.

### Who is Eligible to Apply

To apply for the next cohort you must

- Be a current McCormick undergraduate student
- Have completed EA 1 before the start of the Fall 2023 quarter.
- Have an expected graduation date no sooner than Winter 2025.
  - So that you can take required courses.
    - Data Foundations Course in Winter or Spring 2024
    - Data Studio Course in Winter or Spring 2025
  - Limited spaces may be available for students graduating Spring 2024.
    - Data Foundations Course in Winter 2024
    - Data Studio Course in Spring 2024

#### Students from ALL McCormick majors are welcome!

### **Curriculum Requirements Overview**

The DSE Minor consists of 8 courses

- DSE Core: 4 courses
- Data Studio Sequence: 2 courses
  - DATA\_ENG 200
  - DATA\_ENG 300
- DSE Electives: 2 courses

### **Curriculum Requirements: DSE Core**

- One course in Statistics:
  - BME 220, ChemE 312, CIV 306, IEMS 201, IEMS 303
- One course in Machine Learning:
  - CS 349, EE 475, or IEMS 304

Courses in purple are on the basic engineering list (2021 catalog or before)

- One course in Intro Programming:
  - CS 150, CS 211, or CS 230
- One course in Intermediate Programming/Algorithmic Thinking:
  - CS 214 or CS 217

### **Curriculum Requirements: Data Studio Sequence**

- DATA\_ENG 200: Foundations of Data Science
  - Offered in Winter 2024, TTh 9:30-10:50; Spring 2024, TTh 12:30-1:50
  - Registration in one of these sections is required
- DATA\_ENG 300: Data Engineering Studio
  - Offered in Winter 2025, TTh 12:30-1:50; Spring 2025, TTh 9:30-10:50
  - Registration in one of these is required, unless significant conflicts exist with major program
- If you can't enroll in these offerings, you are welcome to apply the following year.

#### **DATA\_ENG 200: Foundations of Data Science**

This course will introduce the steps of the data science lifecycle and common tools and techniques for data science. Here are some covered topics from the previous offering:

- Surviving skills
- Preprocessing
- Basic analytics



### **DATA\_ENG 300: Data Engineering Studio**

This course will teach students how to build a sustainable data science lifecycle. Here are some of the tentative topics:

- Machine learning
- Large scale processing
- Whole pipeline integration



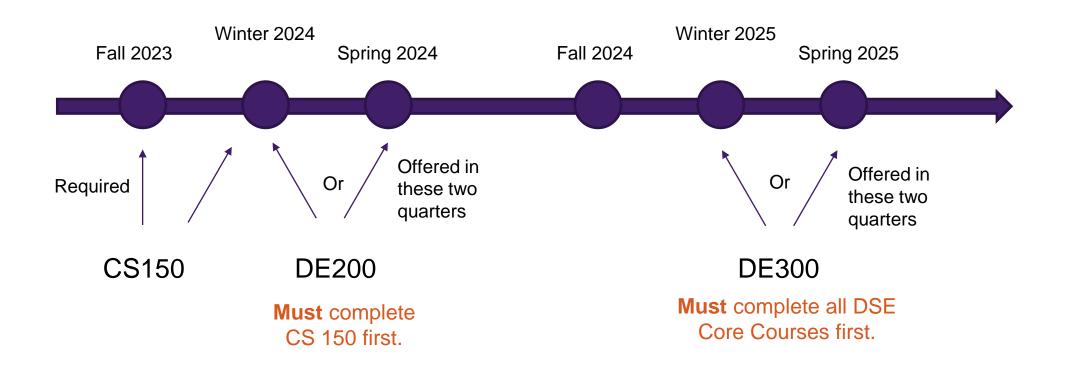
#### **Curriculum Requirements: DSE Electives**

- Choose 2 electives
  - Advanced techniques in data science
  - Expanded foundations for data science techniques
  - Domain-specific application of data science and engineering
- List includes 300-level and 400-level courses from
  - BME, ChemE, CivE, CompSci, ElecE, ESAM, IEMS, MatSci, MechE
- Several choices accessible to students from all majors, without need for many prerequisites

- BMD ENG 311-0 Computational Genomics
- BMD\_ENG 395-0 Topics in Biomedical Engineering (Biomedical Applications in Machine Learning)
- CHEM\_ENG 379-0 Computational Biology: Analysis and Design of Living Systems
- CIV\_ENV 304-0 Civil and Environmental Engineering Systems Analysis
- CIV\_ENV 377-0 Choice Modeling in Engineering
- CIV\_ENV/MECH\_ENG 413-0 Experimental Solid Mechanics
- CIV\_ENV 473-0 Survey methods, data and analysis
- CIV\_ENV 480-1 Travel Demand Analysis & Forecasting 1
- CIV\_ENV 480-2 Advances in Travel Demand Analysis and Forecasting
- CIV\_ENV 495-0 Selected Topics in Civil Engineering (Data Analytics for Transportation and Urban Infrastructure Applications)
- COMP\_SCI 348-0 Introduction to Artificial Intelligence
- COMP\_SCI 394-0 Agile Software Development
- COMP\_SCI 396-0 Special Topics in Computer Science (Computing, Ethics, and Society)
- COMP\_SCI 396-0 Special Topics in Computer Science (Deep Learning)
- COMP\_SCI 396-0 Special Topics in Computer Science (Interactive Information Visualization)
- COMP\_SCI 396-0 Special Topics in Computer Science (Social Networks Analysis)

- COMP\_SCI 396-0 Special Topics in Computer Science (Visualization for Scientific Communication)
- COMP\_SCI 397-0 Special Projects in Computer Science (Rapid Prototyping for Software Innovation)
- ELEC\_ENG 328-0 Information Theory & Learning
- ELEC ENG 373-0 Deep Reinforcement Learning
- ELEC\_ENG 395-0 Special Topics in Electrical Engineering (Optimization Techniques for Machine Learning and Deep Learning)
- ELEC\_ENG 424-0 Distributed Optimization
- ELEC\_ENG 433-0 Statistical Pattern Recognition
- ELEC\_ENG 335-0 Deep Learning Foundations from Scratch
- ES APPM 345-0 Applied Linear Algebra
- ES\_APPM 375-1 Quantitative Biology I: Experiments, Data, Models, and Analysis
- ES\_APPM 375-2 Quantitative Biology II: Experiments, Data, Models, and Analysis
- ES\_APPM 472-0 Introduction to the Analysis of RNA Sequencing Data
- ES\_APPM 479-0 Data Driven Methods for Dynamical Systems
- IEMS 307-0 Quality Improvement by Experimental Design
- IEMS 308-0 Data Science and Analytics
- IEMS 313-0 Foundations of Optimization
- IEMS 340-0 Field Project Methods
- IEMS 341-0 Social Networks Analysis

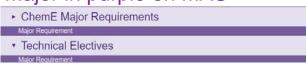
- IEMS 351-0 Optimization Methods in Data Science
- MAT\_SCI 391-0 Process Design
- MECH\_ENG 301-0 Introduction to Robotics Laboratory
- MECH ENG 329-0 Mechanistic Data Science
- MECH\_ENG 341-0 Computational Methods for Engineering Design
- MECH\_ENG/CIV\_ENV 413-0 Experimental Solid Mechanics
- MECH\_ENG 441-0 Engineering Optimization for Product Design and Manufacturing
- MECH\_ENG 469-0 Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence for Robotics
- MECH\_ENG 495-0 Selected Topics in Mechanical Engg (Sensory Navigation and Machine Learning for Robotics)



### **Limitations on Double-Counting**

#### 2021 catalog or before

- The minor must include five courses that are not used towards other major or minor requirements.
  - "Major" means the **16**-unit major requirements Major in purple on MAS



 Courses used for other McCormick requirements—unrestricted electives, basic engineering, etc. are not considered part of major requirements.

#### 2022 catalog

- The minor must include four courses that are not used towards other major or minor requirements.
  - "Major" means the 21-unit major requirements Major in purple on MAS



 Courses used for other McCormick requirements—unrestricted electives, etc. are not considered part of major requirements.

### **Limitations on Double-Counting**

- Many choices in the DSE core can count towards basic engineering
  - Might be restricted by basic engineering requirements for your major.
  - Again—choices counted towards basic engineering are **not** considered count towards your major.
- Major-specific guidance can be found on the DSE website
  - Available for 2021 and prior catalog year for all McCormick majors.
  - Available for 2022 and later catalog year for most programs

#### **Applications and Admissions**

#### Applications are now open.

https://bit.ly/ApplyDSE2023

- Aug 31: Applications close
- **Sept 6:** First-round admissions decisions released
- Sept 13: Deadline to confirm participation
- Sept 15: Waitlist admissions decisions released
- Sept 19: Fall 2023 classes begin; deadline for waitlisted students to confirm.

Look for reminder emails during Summer 2023



## We look forward to seeing applications from you all!

### MODERN DATA SCIENTIST

#### MATH & STATISTICS

- ☆ Machine learning
- ☆ Statistical modeling
- ☆ Bayesian inference
- Supervised learning: decision trees, random forests, logistic regression
- ☆ Unsupervised learning: clustering, dimensionality reduction
- Optimization: gradient descent and variants



#### PROGRAMMING & DATABASE

- ☆ Computer science fundamentals
- ☆ Scripting language e.g. Python
- ☆ Statistical computing package e.g. R
- ☆ Databases SOL and NoSOL
- ☆ Relational algebra
- ☆ Parallel databases and parallel query processing
- ☆ MapReduce concepts
- ☆ Hadoop and Hive/Pig
- ☆ Custom reducers
- ☆ Experience with xaaS like AWS

#### DOMAIN KNOWLEDGE & SOFT SKILLS

- ☆ Passionate about the business
- ☆ Curious about data
- ☆ Influence without authority
- ☆ Hacker mindset
- Strategic, proactive, creative, innovative and collaborative



- Able to engage with senior management
- ☆ Story telling skills
- ☆ Translate data-driven insights into decisions and actions
- ☆ Visual art design
- ☆ R packages like ggplot or lattice
- ☆ Knowledge of any of visualization tools e.g. Flare, D3.js, Tableau

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