

## **Course Syllabus Part I**

### **DSC 640 Data Presentation and Visualization**

**3 Credit Hours**

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#### **Course Description**

Data scientists should be great storytellers, whether using visual, text, or other means. In this course, students explore the basic storytelling components of data science and apply them to different types of data for different types of clients and audiences. Presentation techniques, language use for different audiences, and visualization tools techniques are included.

#### **Course Prerequisites**

DSC 630

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#### **Course Objectives**

Students who successfully complete this course should be able to:

1. Evaluate different audiences to determine the most effective way to communicate the data story.
  2. Generate results of analytics projects using optimal presentation methods.
  3. Create optimal visualizations to highlight data findings or information quickly.
  4. Apply design techniques that demonstrate understanding of data.
  5. Design visualizations and presentations that appeal to various audiences.
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#### **Grading Scale**

93 – 100% = A	87 – 89% = B+	77 – 79% = C+	67 – 69% = D+
90 – 92% = A-	83 – 86% = B	73 – 76% = C	63 – 66% = D
	80 – 82% = B-	70 – 72% = C-	60 – 62% = D-
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## Topic Outline

- I. Handling Data
  - A. Importing
  - B. Formatting/Transforming
- II. Importance of Context
- III. Choosing the right tool & visualization
  - A. Tableau
  - B. PowerBI
- IV. Telling stories with data
- V. Visualization Ethics
- VI. Visualizing Patterns
- VII. Visualizing Relationships
- VIII. Design Principles & Methodologies
- IX. Python/R & Data Visualization
  - A. Matplotlib
  - B. Seaborn
  - C. Ggplot
  - D. Plotly