

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ANALYTICS 2024 PROGRAM CONTENT

SUMMER I

01 Primer

1. Fundamental Statistical Concepts
2. Probability
3. Distributions
4. Sampling Distributions
5. Confidence Intervals
6. Hypothesis Testing
7. Correlation and Linear Regression
8. Analysis of Variance
9. Categorical Data Analysis

SUMMER II

00 Orientation

1. MSA Program Overview
2. Technical Communication Overview
3. Policies, Rules & Regulations: MSA 2024 Handbook
4. Intercultural Communication
5. Coaching Overview

01 Analytics Foundations

1. Introduction to Statistics
2. Introduction to ANOVA and Regression
3. More Complex ANOVA Regression
4. Model Selection
5. Diagnostics
6. Categorical Data Analysis
7. Model Building and Scoring for Prediction

02 Introduction to Python

03 R Programming

1. Chapter 1 Introduction to R
2. Chapter 2 Data Structures
3. Chapter 3 Programming Fundamentals
4. Chapter 4 Data Wrangling
5. Chapter 5 Resources
6. Cheat Sheet 1 data wrangling-dplyr-tidyr
7. Cheat Sheet 2 stringr

03 Technical Communication

1. Technical Communication Introduction
2. Power of the Three
3. Virtual Presentations
4. Slide Creation Resources
5. Introduction to Technical Writing
6. Thanks for the Feedback Reading Guide
7. Critical and Creative Thinking Questions for Feedback
8. OneNote Useful Shortcuts

04 Professional Development

1. Coaching for Professional and Personal Development
2. LinkedIn 1
3. LinkedIn 2
4. Emotional Intelligence EQ-i Debrief
5. Emotional Intelligence EQ-i Self-Assessment
6. Myers-Briggs Type Indicator MBTI Introduction
7. Myers-Briggs Type Indicator MBTI Appreciating Differences
8. Peer Feedback Process

05 Data Visualization

1. Introduction to Graphs, Maps and Visualization
2. Guidelines on the Use of Graphs
3. Guidelines on the Use of Thematic Maps

06 Computer Security

1. Foundational Computer Security Lecture 1
2. Foundational Computer Security Lecture 2

07 Linear Algebra

08 Summer Practicum Project

FALL I

01 Logistic Regression

1. Review of Logistic Regression
2. Binary Logistic Regression
3. Data Considerations
4. Subset Selection and Diagnostics
5. Model Assessment
6. Ordinal Logistic Regression
7. Nominal Logistic Regression
8. Logistic Regression Workflow Chart

02 Time Series I

1. Introduction to Time Series
2. Exponential Smoothing Models
3. Stationarity
4. Correlation Plots
5. AR and MA
6. ARIMA, Trend and Forecasting
7. Overall Example
8. Additional Topics: BSTS & Change Point

03 Additional Seminars in Statistics

1. Count Data
2. Continuous vs Ordinal
3. Unit Root Testing Dr. David Dickey
4. Introduction to Bayesian Statistics

04 Python

05 SQL

1. Introduction to Data Bases
2. What is SQL
3. Overview
4. Displaying Query Results
5. Joins
6. Subqueries
7. Set Operators
8. Creating Tables and Views
9. Python + SQL
10. Python + Postgres

06 Technical Communication

1. Writing and Blogging
2. Ethical Considerations for Data Professionals
3. Homework Report Slides
4. Story Telling with Data - Impromptu

07 Professional Development

1. Resumes for the IAA
2. Program Liaison Overview
3. The New Rules of Engagement Mary Crane
4. Tips for Business Dining
5. Tips for Networking

08 Project Management

1. Practicum Overview
2. Project Management Basics Review
3. Leadership Models
4. Analytics Project Management
5. Confidentiality Agreements

09 Computer Security

1. Practicum Security Policy
2. Computer & Data Security Policy and Guidelines

FALL II

01 Data Mining

1. Data Mining Dr. David Dickey
2. Introduction to Data Mining
3. CART
4. Clustering
5. KNN and Some Other Ideas
6. Review of Data Mining Topics
7. Review Sheet for Data Mining

02 Time Series II

1. Seasonal Models
2. Dynamic Regression Models
3. Prophet Models
4. Neural Network Models
5. Weighted and Combined Models
6. Hierarchical and Grouped Time Series
7. Continuous vs Ordinal Variables
8. Load Forecasting Workshop

03 Text Analytics

04 Tableau

05 R Shiny

06 Plotly & Dash

FALL III

01 Machine Learning

1. Resampling, Model Selection and Regularization
2. Generalized Additive Models
3. Tree-Based Methods
4. Neural Network Models
5. Naïve Bayes Models
6. Model Agnostic Interpretability

02 Survival Analysis

1. Censoring, Survival and Hazards
2. Accelerated Failure Time
3. Important Facts to Keep in Mind
4. Cox Regression Model
5. Cox Regression Model 2
6. Competing Risks
7. Repeated Events
8. Extras

03 AWS

1. Introduction to AWS – EC2 & S3
2. Introduction to AWS – RDS

04 R Bookdown

1. Introduction to R Bookdown

05 Technical Communication

1. Online Midpoint Presentation

06 Professional Development

1. Interviewing 101

07 Leadership

1. Lesson Plan
2. Followership
3. In Praise of Followers
4. Courageous Followers
5. What Every Leader Needs to Know about Followers
6. Putting Followership on the Map – Examining Followership Styles
7. Followership and Performance

08 Beginning of Practicum Project

SPRING I

01 Financial Analytics

1. Introduction to Credit Scoring and Data Preparation
2. Variable Grouping and Selection for Scorecard
3. Scorecard Creation
4. Gini Calculation Example

02 Optimization

1. Introduction to Linear Programming & GUROBI
2. Linear Programming
3. Mixed and Integer Linear Programming
4. Facility Example
5. Network Models
6. Portfolio Optimization

03 Simulation & Risk Analytics

1. Main Concepts of Simulation
2. Theory and Model Assessment Through Simulation
3. Introduction to Risk Management
4. Estimation and Confidence Intervals for VaR and ES
5. Recent Developments

04 Customer Analytics

1. Introduction to Customer Analytics

05 Panel Data

1. Panel Data

06 Hadoop

1. Hadoop – HDFS – Map Reduce – Spark
2. AWS – EMR
3. Hive & Pig
4. Hive & Pig Hands-on

07 Spark

1. Spark
2. Creating a Spark EMR Cluster
3. Spark Hands-on
4. Spark – PySpark
5. Spark – Mllib
6. Example Predicting Flight Delays

08 SQL Refresher

1. SQL Refresher

09 Technical Communication

1. Practicum Report

10 Professional Development

1. Unconscious Bias
2. OPT

SPRING II

01 Fraud Analytics

1. Introduction to Fraud
2. Data Preparation
3. Anomaly Models
4. Fraud Supervised Models
5. Clusters and Implementation

02 Bayesian Statistics

1. Bayesian Terminology & STAN
2. Markov Chain Montecarlo MCMC
3. Bayesian Linear Regression

03 ARCH & GARCH Models

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04 Deep Learning

05 Advanced Big Data

1. Introduction to Big Data
2. Distributed Databases
3. Spark for Distributed Machine Learning
4. Generative AI
5. Cloud Machine Learning
6. Cloud Services & Serverless

06 Natural Language Processing (NLP)

1. Natural Language Processing Introduction
2. Transformers – Embeddings & LLMs

SPRING III

01 End of Practicum Project