# **Data Science**

### **Master of Science**

### **Description**

The Harvard Business Review labeled 'Data Scientist' the most popular job of the 21st century, reflecting the strong demand for professionals with skills in the area. Data Scientists are among the most sought-after positions in America, as research by PWC explains, and there would be 2.7 million job postings for Data Science and Analytics roles in 2020. According to Northeastern University, the core skills needed to be a Data Scientist are easily transferable to other jobs like Business Intelligence Developers, Machine Learning Engineers, etc., and Data Scientists are in constant demand. Fast Company, a monthly business magazine, reported that, in an unpredictable post-coronavirus labor market, Data Science skills would be one of the top five in-demand skills that employees should look to reskill or upskill.

## **Admissions Requirements**

- A bachelor's degree or equivalent from a recognized college or university
- GPA of 2.7 or higher
- Official transcripts from all previously attended schools
- Completed application with Carolina University

### **Degree Requirements**

- The maximum time limit to complete the program is four years or 150% of the credits, whichever the student reaches first.
- A minimum of 18 credit hours must be completed at CU.
- Up to 50% of the required credit hours can be transferred.
- Graduation is contingent upon the completion of 36 hours of prescribed courses with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00.

#### Courses

### **Program Core (30 Credit Hours)**

DCS 500 - Introduction to Data Science

3 Credit Hours

DCS 510 - R Programming for Data Science

3 Credit Hours

DCS 520 - Python Programming for Data Science

3 Credit Hours

DCS 525 - Statistics for Data Science

3 Credit Hours

DCS 535 - Databases and Data Retrieval

3 Credit Hours

DCS 620 - Data Visualization & Dashboarding

3 Credit Hours

### DCS 625 - Text Mining & Web Scraping

3 Credit Hours

DCS 630 - Algorithms for Data Science

3 Credit Hours

DCS 635 - Machine Learning

3 Credit Hours

DCS 645 - Big Data Analysis

3 Credit Hours

### **Professional Elective (3 Credit Hours) [Choose 1]**

- DCS 660 Internship
- DCS 680 Thesis
- DCS 690 Capstone Project

# **Electives (3 Credit Hours)**