

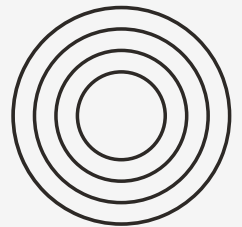


**KENNESAW STATE  
UNIVERSITY**

COLLEGE OF COMPUTING AND  
SOFTWARE ENGINEERING  
*School of Data Science and Analytics*

MASTER'S OF SCIENCE  
IN  
**DATA SCIENCE  
AND ANALYTICS**

Welcome! Let's get  
started!



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# What Classes Should I Take?

## Start with:

- STAT 7100 - Statistical Methods (3 hours)
- DS 7020 - Introductory SAS Programming for Data Science (3 hours)

and one of:

- DS 7130 - Programming in R (3 hours)
- DS 7140 - Python for Data Science (3 hours)

NOTE: 9 credit hours is full-time in graduate school!

Please refer to the **Course Roadmap** ([link](#)) for future semester course recommendations!

# I was admitted conditionally and need to take additional courses. What do I need to know?

**First**, it is strongly recommended that you complete the coursework prior to enrolling in MSDSA courses.

**Second**, you have the option of taking the recommended course or foundation module. For example, if your undergraduate coursework didn't involve computing, you may be required to take DATA 3010 **or** the Essential Softwares for Data Science module. Successful completion of either course fulfills the requirement.

# I was admitted conditionally and need to take additional courses. What do I need to know? Continued...

**For Calculus**, you have the option of taking either the Mathematics for Data Science foundations module **or** Calculus I and/or Calculus II, depending upon your conditional admission letter.

**If you opt to take the courses rather than the foundations module**, please note that Precalculus is a prerequisite for Calculus I. Thus, you may be required to either take Precalculus prior to enrolling in Calculus I or test out of Precalculus. Please contact me if you want to take the testing option.

**If you decide to take Calculus I or II at KSU**, please note that you will need to request an override into the course section of your choice. You can do that [here](#).

**You can also take Calculus I or II at another institution** as a non-degree seeking student if you wish (talk to me first!).

# I'm interested in Financial Aid. What do I need to know?

Financial Aid takes the form of:

- **Scholarships:** Please see the [KSU Scholarship Universe](#) for a list of available scholarship opportunities.
- **Graduate Teaching Assistants:** Applications for GTAs go out toward the end of the Fall and Spring semesters, respectively. Please check your KSU email for application instructions when applications are being accepted.
- **Graduate Research Assistants:** Faculty across the School, College, and University are sometimes in need of GRA assistance. Calls for GRAs go out on a sporadic, as-needed basis. **DO NOT** cold call or cold email faculty asking to be considered for a position.

Please note that full funding throughout the program is very rare.

**I'm an International Student and have questions about rules and regulations related to me. Who do I ask?**

**College of Computing and Software Engineering Contact:**

Michael Alvarez  
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**KSU International Student and Scholar Services Contact:**

iss@kennesaw.edu

# I am attending classes in-person. How do I get a parking permit and where do I park?

All of your classes will be in the **Atrium Building** (sometimes called the “J Building”) which is located on the Marietta Campus. See a Google Map view [here](#).

For student parking, please see the following map of the Marietta Campus [here](#).

To learn how to obtain a parking permit, please see the following [link](#).

# If I have any other questions, who do I ask?

You can ask me, Dr Austin Brown! I am the Program Director and your academic advisor.

While I may not have the answers to all of your questions, I can point you to someone who might be able to help!

Please email me at [abrow708@kennesaw.edu](mailto:abrow708@kennesaw.edu)

