

# **M.S. IN DATA SCIENCE**

## **APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

### **PREREQUISITES**

- Single Variable Calculus (Calculus I & Calculus II)
- Linear Algebra
- Introduction to Statistics
- Introduction to Programming

Prerequisites can be in progress at time of application submission but must be taken for grade from an accredited institution of higher education.

### **2 LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION**

Choose recommenders who know you well and can speak to your potential to excel in our data science community, both academically and as a part of a cohort. You can manage recommendations using the Application Portal.

### **TRANSCRIPTS**

Upload unofficial copies of all transcripts from any graduate or undergraduate courses. We will ask for official transcripts if admitted. If you completed coursework outside of the United States, submit a course-by-course credential evaluation of your official transcripts. Evaluations must be sent from the evaluator directly to [sdsadmissions@virginia.edu](mailto:sdsadmissions@virginia.edu).

### **RÉSUMÉ**

We hope your résumé will demonstrate your involvement in activities outside of school or work, including leadership, service, family responsibilities, civic engagement, coding, and research projects you are proud of, as well as any other accomplishments you wish to share.

### **ENGLISH LANGUAGE TESTS**

Applicants who earned an undergraduate degree from an institution, or institutions, in which English was not the primary language of instruction must self-report TOEFL or IELTS scores. Official scores are only required if admitted to the program. Note that both TOEFL or IELTS scores are valid for only two years after the test date.

### **ONLINE APPLICATION**

- List any honors, awards, or need-based financial aid awarded as an undergraduate (i.e., Dean's List, merit or academic scholarships, Federal Pell Grant, and/or other research, academic or travel grants)
- Respond to short answer questions
- Respond to additional application prompts

### **\$85 APPLICATION FEE** (non-refundable; waivers available)

### **CONNECT WITH US**

Attend a webinar or open house, connect with a Student Ambassador, learn about financial aid options, and discover more about the first School of Data Science in the nation at [datascience.virginia.edu](http://datascience.virginia.edu).

#### **Contact Us**

[sdsadmissions@virginia.edu](mailto:sdsadmissions@virginia.edu)

#### **Attend an Event**

[datascience.virginia.edu/events](http://datascience.virginia.edu/events)

#### **Start an Application**

[applycentral.virginia.edu/apply](http://applycentral.virginia.edu/apply)