

MS IN APPLIED DATA SCIENCE

DEGREE PLAN



University of San Diego®

Program Start: Spring 2026

This degree plan is for students beginning the MS in Applied Data Science (MSADS) program in the Spring 2026 term. This plan assumes that students will complete their degree in five consecutive semesters and do not take a leave of absence from their program. Taking a leave of absence will change the degree plan and delay the anticipated program completion.

Term	Course		Course Name	Units	Start Date	End Date
Spring 2026	ADS 550	Orientation	New Student Orientation	0	Upon Registration	01/02/2026
Spring 2026	ADS 500A	Prerequisite	Probability and Statistics for Data Science	3	01/06/2026	02/23/2026
Spring 2026	ADS 500B	Prerequisite	Data Science Programming	3	02/24/2026	04/13/2026
Students required to take the prerequisite courses will start in ADS 500A and/or ADS 500B. Students not required to take the prerequisites will start in ADS 501 and ADS 502.						
Spring 2026	ADS 501	Foundation	Foundations of Data Science and Data Ethics	3	01/06/2026	02/23/2026
Spring 2026	ADS 502	Foundation	Applied Data Mining	3	02/24/2026	04/13/2026
Summer 2026	ADS 503	Core	Applied Predictive Modeling	3	05/05/2026	06/22/2026
Summer 2026	ADS 504	Core	Machine Learning and Deep Learning for Data Science	3	06/23/2026	08/10/2026
Fall 2026	ADS 505	Core	Applied Data Science for Business	3	09/01/2026	10/19/2026
Fall 2026	ADS 506	Core	Applied Time Series Analysis	3	10/20/2026	12/07/2026
Spring 2027	ADS 507	Core	Practical Data Engineering	3	TBA	TBA
Spring 2027	ADS 508	Core	Data Science with Cloud Computing	3	TBA	TBA
Summer 2027	ADS 509	Final Core	Applied Large Language Models for Data Science	3	TBA	TBA
Summer 2027	ADS 599	Capstone	Capstone Project	3	TBA	TBA

SPRING 2026 IMPORTANT DATES

Registration Opens	11/03/2025
Registration Deadline	12/15/2025
Financial Aid Requirements Due	12/15/2025
Last Day to Drop Any Course with a Full Refund	01/05/2026
Payment Due Date	01/06/2026
Semester Begins	01/06/2026
First Course Start Date	01/06/2026
Last Day to Drop Any Course with 95% Refund/Drop Deadline	01/09/2026
First Course End Date	02/23/2026
Second Course Start Date	02/24/2026
Last Day to Withdraw from Course B	03/23/2026
Second Course End Date	04/13/2026
Semester Ends	04/13/2026

Revision Date: 12/13/24. Degree plans are subject to change.