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5-1004 Graduate Admissions

- (1) General. Admission to an NCF graduate degree program is decided at the program level, by the Director of the graduate program to which the student has applied, or, in the Director's absence, by a designee of the Office of the Provost.
- (2) The following admission factors will be considered for applicants to the Master of Data Science program:
 - (a) Graduate Application for the Master of Data Science program
 - (b) Recent employment and/or academic experience (including fellowships, internships, research positions)
 - (c) Academic record (all postsecondary transcripts), with documentation of a bachelor's degree from an accredited US college or university (or the foreign equivalent, as determined by a NACES-member transcript evaluation service)
 - (d) Letters of recommendation
 - (e) GRE, GRE Subject, or GMAT scores (if provided)
 - (f) Students with academic records from non-US colleges or universities should arrange for professional evaluation (and translation, if necessary) of their transcripts by a NACES-member service.
 - (g) Students who are not US Citizens or US Permanent Resident Aliens, and whose first language is not English, must provide proof of English proficiency. Typically, recent scores (within the past two years) will be required, as follows:
 1. Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL): score of 83 or better on the TOEFL Ibt, or 560 on the Paper-Based TOEFL; or
 2. International English Language Testing System (IELTS): score of 6.5 or better; or
 3. Recent records (e.g., of the past two years) of successful academic or professional work in a setting where English is the primary language in use may be considered as a substitute for the testing requirement.
- (3) Admission to the Master of Data Science Program will require the following, at minimum:
 - (a) Documentation of a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with an undergraduate grade point average of at least 3.0, or documentation of a bachelor's degree and record of successful achievement at an accredited college or university that uses narrative evaluations rather than grades; and
 - (b) Successful completion of a course in Linear Algebra; and

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(c) Successful completion of a course in programming, or proof of programming proficiency.

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