Northwest Arkansas Community College

Business and Computer Information Systems Division

Discipline Code

DASC

Course Number

1223

Course Title

Data Science in Today's World

Catalog Description

(F, S, On Demand) Data Science in Today's World (DASC 1222) is a survey course providing an overview of the Data Science Curriculum and an introduction to the essential elements of data science: data collection and management; summarizing and visualizing data; basic ideas of statistical inference; predictive analytics and machine learning. Students will continue their hands-on experience using the Python and R programming languages and Jupyter notebooks.

Prerequisites

PROG 1003 – Programming Logic I DASC 1001 - Programming for Data Science

Corequisites

DASC 1003 - Introduction to Data Science

Credit Hours

3

Contact hours

45

Load hours

3 Load hour

Semesters Offered

Fall, Spring

ACTS Equivalent

None.

Grade Mode

A-F

Learning Outcomes

Students completing DASC 1223 should be able to

- list the steps involved in data science from data acquisition to insight and describe the role of each step;
- distinguish different ways of collecting data and their impact on the conclusions that can be drawn from the data;
- manage, summarize and visualize data using the Python and/or R programming languages and Jupyter notebooks;
- explain the basic concepts of statistical inference and implement simulation-based inference methods;
- apply predictive models and machine learning methods and assess the quality of predictions;
- communicate basic data science principles and methods to diverse audiences.

General Education Outcomes Supported

- Students develop higher order thinking skills.
- Students will demonstrate technological fluency.
- Students demonstrate information literacy.

Standard Practices

Topics list

N/A

Learning activities

Assignments and Projects.

This course requires some in class, hands-on work and also additional hands-on work in the virtual or on-campus computer lab.

Assessments

Homework

Projects

Quizzes

Exams

Grading guidelines

A = 90 - 100%

B = 80 - 89%

C = 70 - 79%

D = 60 - 69%

F = 0 - 59%