MSc Data Science online chat event

This online chat session is for students interested in studying our Msc Data Science course. The session will be run by academic staff, giving you the opportunity to ask questions about your chosen course at City, University of London. As this is a typed chat group session, you will be able to see the answers to questions asked by other applicants.

My story in 3 objects: Elizabeth van Deventer, MSc in Cyber Security at City

https://youtu.be/MaxYxz9eu0h

Thank you for joining us for today’s CityChat session. This session is for students interested in studying our MSc Data Science course. This session runs from 16:30 - 17:30 [GMT]. This is an open chat session for you to ask any questions you have regarding these courses and life at City, University of London. During the session we may also share videos, polls or documents relating to your course.

To ask a question, please type it in the chat box. Your question will not post straight away – it will be sent to our Moderators who will type an answer back. Once their answer is complete, it will be published with your question. Please make sure you say which course you have applied to when you post your question. You are also welcome to post just saying hi and introducing yourself!

Your moderators today are Dr Aidan Slingsby (Programme Director) and Aathan Selvarajah (Recruitment Team).

Hi, I’m Aidan, the Programme Director for the MSc in Data Science at City. Happy to answer any questions you might have about the programme.

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Equivalent of a 2:1, preferably in a technical subject, and evidence of some knowledge maths and coding.
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We have quite a broad cohort, with some students from less technical backgrounds. But we ask for evidence of some technical knowledge too.

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I don’t know. But our students seem to have no problem getting jobs in Data Science.

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Many BSc courses are less specific to Data Science.

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Hi, great question! The median advertised salary for permanent roles as a Data Scientist in the UK according to IT Jobs Watch is £60,000. So you can expect to earn in and around that region after completing the course and securing a job.

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A fair few people get jobs in data science teams within retail companies or financial institutions. Some get jobs in start-ups.
I graduated from City university in 2010 but I got 2:2

We will sometimes accept 2:2 if you have other good experience. Like if you’ve worked as an analyst in a company and have a good reference. Write a good personal statement pointing to these things. We will read them all!

Hi Aidan, I accept the offer and thank you for the offer, just wondering the preparation course of mathematics and coding, do you know when it starts and finish please?

Hi [name], it’s just a day and we haven’t sorted the dates yet, but we expect to have a couple of days in Aug/Sept and also in Induction Week, the week before term starts.

Are Asian degrees accredited for me to apply for the course?

Hi [name], yes, we accept degrees from all over the world and use standard equivalence tables.
What is the equivalent to the U.S. grading system? I have greater than 3.5, but I'm not sure what the equivalent is one the GB grading scale.

Yes, exceeds our minimum requirement.

Specifically from PH

For Philippines, a bachelor's degree from "Centre of Excellence" with a minimum final mark of Magna Cum Laude, would be equivalent; would be equivalent to a 2:1.

Any prerequisite for the master?

Not formally, except equivalent of a 2:1 and evidence of maths/coding knowledge/experience.

Hello! My name is [redacted]. I am currently in the Aegean School of Engineering (5 years integrated master) Department of Product and Systems Design Engineering in Greece (in my dissertation). I'm a police officer with experience in informatics. I'm looking to apply for the Msc.

Hi [redacted] if you meet our requirements, I'd encourage you to apply!

If I was interested in an internship placement would I have to pay tuition to the Universities while I only intern?

There are no extra fees for students doing internships. Full-time students doing internships would do their final project based on their internship and will have an extra 3 months to do the project (because you effectively go part time on a 3 month project).

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About a fifth of our students did internships last year. We encourage it and have staff to support it.

I have the 2:1 diploma but I asked for the reason that I want to know the best preparation.
Following some online Python courses would be good preparation. Some tips here: 
https://www.city.ac.uk/postgraduate-applicants/technical-skills/msc-data-science

**Technical skills required for City's MSc in Data Science**

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I have SQL experience

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SQL experience will help demonstrate your ability to code, but we suggest that you try and do some online Python courses before you start. We don’t use SQL much in the course.

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Hello. I’m from Bangladesh. I’ve completed BSc in Computer Science & Engineering and working in a Government organization as Programmer. My total working experience is 11 years. But now I have interest to do MS on Data science because I’m working with lots of data. So is it possible to have any fundings to do the MS and can u tell me when the next session will start?

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Hello welcome! There are various funding options that you can explore. More details can be found here: 
https://www.city.ac.uk/study/fees-and-funding

The next intake for the course is September 2019, so you can still apply. Do you have any other questions?

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**Fees and funding**

Find out about fees at City, as well as the range of funding options.

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Hello, what might you tell someone on the fence between the MSc in data science v MSc in artificial intelligence?

HI Good question! The MSc in AI is very technical, goes into much more details on the Machine Learning algorithms, mostly Deep Learning.

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I’d say that the Data Science MSc is a bit broader and you’ll be exposed to more approaches. It also has deep learning - as part of the Machine Learning core module, also for the Computer Vision elective and the Reinforcement Learning module. Reinforcement Learning module (it may have a different name) is core for AI and elective for Data Science and the only shared module between the two programmes.

And what about Msc in Data Science vs Msc in Cyber Security?

Hi Interesting question! Both are technical. Data Science is more about data analytics. There’s not much overlap in the modules.

What is the requirement of MS in data science. Is it needed english test score like IELTS?

If you need a Tier 4 visa, yes. IELTS: 6.5 (minimum of 6.0 in all four components). Otherwise, we probably won’t ask unless we’re not sure of your level of English.

Thanks Aidan. I’ll have to return to work now. Will a chat transcript will be available once the session has ended?
Hi, yes this will be available online at a later date. We also have another opportunity for attending an online session - Tuesday 23rd April 4.30pm-5.30pm. We also have a physical event where you can attend our campus on Tuesday 4th June 5pm - 7pm. You can register for that event here: https://crm.dataharvesting.com/events/public_bookings/choose_event/group:5c6bf3d86e36b

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For those of us who would need to apply for a visa how long would it take to apply and receive a UK student visa?

I'm not sure. But see the advice at https://www.city.ac.uk/international/visa-immigration-advice/tier4 under “When and how to apply”. You can email visaadvice@city.ac.uk

Applying For A Tier 4 Student Visa

Find out how to apply for a Tier 4 General Student visa if you are a Non-EEA or Switzerland applicant studying a full time course.

How would you rate the usefulness of this session on a scale of 1 to 5? (5 being the highest)

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Can I submit IELTS score after admission?

You can apply and we can give you a conditional offer, if you don't have the IELTS yet

And what about if I don't have the Right score?

Listening for example 5.5

i.e IELTS overall 6.5 and each not 6.0
We might accept you anyway, or we might give you a conditional offer on the basis that you redo the test.

Thank you for attending this online session. If you are interested in visiting us in person to speak to the programme director and see our facilities, we will be holding a physical event at our Northampton Square campus on Tuesday 4th June from 5-7pm (BST). You can register for this event here: https://crm.dataharvesting.com/e/city/gr/city-events/mcsæ-2019-pp-events.

If you are interested in our MSc Artificial Intelligence course, we will be holding an online event on Thursday 4th April from 4.30-5.30pm (BST). You can sign up for this event here: https://meetandengage.com/m4m9d6m4t.

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and the money that I have to pay? Only the exams fees or more like 4 weeks program?

Best email the Programmes Office about fees: smcsep@gcity.ac.uk

This session has now ended. Thank you for joining us for today’s chat. If you have any further questions please email pgenquiries@city.ac.uk