

# STATISTICS: STATISTICS, PHD

## REQUIREMENTS

### MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum degree requirements (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#requirements>) and policies (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#policies>), in addition to the program requirements listed below.

### NAMED OPTION REQUIREMENTS MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Face to Face	Evening/ Weekend	Online	Hybrid	Accelerated
Yes	No	No	No	No

#### Mode of Instruction Definitions

**Accelerated:** Accelerated programs are offered at a fast pace that condenses the time to completion. Students typically take enough credits aimed at completing the program in a year or two.

**Evening/Weekend:** Courses meet on the UW–Madison campus only in evenings and/or on weekends to accommodate typical business schedules. Students have the advantages of face-to-face courses with the flexibility to keep work and other life commitments.

**Face-to-Face:** Courses typically meet during weekdays on the UW–Madison Campus.

**Hybrid:** These programs combine face-to-face and online learning formats. Contact the program for more specific information.

**Online:** These programs are offered 100% online. Some programs may require an on-campus orientation or residency experience, but the courses will be facilitated in an online format.

### CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

Requirement Detail	
Minimum Credit Requirement	51 credits
Minimum Residence Credit Requirement	32 credits
Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement	26 credits must be graduate-level coursework. Refer to the Graduate School: Minimum Graduate Coursework (50%) Requirement policy: <a href="https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244">https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244</a> ( <a href="https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/">https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/</a> ).
Overall Graduate GPA Requirement	3.00 GPA required. Refer to the Graduate School: Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirement policy: <a href="https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203">https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203</a> ( <a href="https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203/">https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203/</a> ).

**Other Grade Requirements** A grade of B or better must be received in any course used to fulfill the required and elective course requirements.

**Assessments and Examinations** Students must pass the PhD qualifying examination, an oral preliminary examination on a topic selected with the approval of the student's advisor, and a dissertation defense.

**Language Requirements** No language requirements.

**Graduate School Breadth Requirement** Statistics doctoral students are not required to complete a minor or graduate/professional certificate by the Graduate School. The program does require students to meet the breadth requirement (<https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1200>) (<https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1200/>) for a minimum of 9 credits in one of three ways:

- Complete an Option A (external) minor
- Complete an Option B (distributed) minor consisting of at least 3 credits outside the Department of Statistics
- Complete a Graduate/Professional Certificate

Courses or credits applied towards the breadth requirement cannot also be applied to core, methods, or elective categories below.

See the program website (<https://stat.wisc.edu/graduate-studies/phd-program>) (<https://stat.wisc.edu/graduate-studies/phd-program/>) for more details.

### REQUIRED COURSES

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Core</b>		
Students must complete the following courses.		
STAT/MATH 709	Mathematical Statistics I	4
STAT/MATH 710	Mathematical Statistics II	4
STAT 771	Computational Statistics	4
STAT 849	Advanced Statistical Methods	4
STAT 998	Statistical Consulting	3
<b>Methods</b>		
Students must complete 3 credits of methods. Refer to the "Methods Courses" table for courses that satisfy this requirement.		3
<b>Statistics Electives</b>		
Students must complete 9 credits of statistics electives. Refer to the "Statistics Electives Courses" table for courses that satisfy this requirement. Note: Students cannot apply the same course towards both the methods requirement and statistics electives requirement.		9
<b>Breadth</b>		9
<b>Additional Coursework</b>		
Students must complete 11 credits of additional coursework to meet the minimum credit requirement. Typically, this is earned through a combination of directed research (course listed below) and other elective courses selected in consultation with advisor.		11

STAT 990	Research
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>51</b>

### Methods Courses

Code	Title	Credits
STAT/B M I 620	Statistics in Human Genetics	3
STAT/B M I 641	Statistical Methods for Clinical Trials	3
STAT/B M I 642	Statistical Methods for Epidemiology	3
STAT/B M I 643	Clinical Trial Design, Implementation, and Analysis	3
STAT 701	Applied Time Series Analysis, Forecasting and Control I	3
STAT/B M I 727	Theory and Methods of Longitudinal Data Analysis	3
STAT/B M I 741	Survival Analysis Theory and Methods	3
STAT 761	Decision Trees for Multivariate Analysis	3
STAT/B M I 768	Statistical Methods for Medical Image Analysis	3
STAT/ECON/ GEN BUS 775	Bayesian Statistics	3
STAT 801	Advanced Financial Statistics	3
STAT/MATH 803	Experimental Design I	3
STAT 809	Non Parametric Statistics	3
STAT/B M I 828	Semiparametric Methods in Data Science	3
STAT 841	Nonparametric Statistics and Machine Learning Methods	3
STAT/B M I 877	Statistical Methods for Molecular Biology	3

### Statistics Electives Courses

Code	Title	Credits
STAT/B M I 620	Statistics in Human Genetics	3
STAT/B M I 641	Statistical Methods for Clinical Trials	3
STAT/B M I 642	Statistical Methods for Epidemiology	3
STAT/B M I 643	Clinical Trial Design, Implementation, and Analysis	3
STAT 701	Applied Time Series Analysis, Forecasting and Control I	3
STAT/COMP SCI/ I S Y E/MATH 726	Nonlinear Optimization I	3
STAT/B M I 727	Theory and Methods of Longitudinal Data Analysis	3
STAT 732	Large Sample Theory of Statistical Inference	3
STAT/MATH 733	Theory of Probability I	3
STAT/MATH 734	Theory of Probability II	3
STAT/B M I 741	Survival Analysis Theory and Methods	3
STAT 760	Multivariate Analysis I	3
STAT 761	Decision Trees for Multivariate Analysis	3

STAT/B M I 768	Statistical Methods for Medical Image Analysis	3
STAT 772	Linear Randomized Algorithms for Data Science	3
STAT/ECON/ GEN BUS 775	Bayesian Statistics	3
STAT 780	Introduction to Quantum Data Science	3
STAT 801	Advanced Financial Statistics	3
STAT/MATH 803	Experimental Design I	3
STAT 809	Non Parametric Statistics	3
STAT/B M I 828	Semiparametric Methods in Data Science	3
STAT/MATH 833	Topics in the Theory of Probability <sup>1</sup>	3
STAT 841	Nonparametric Statistics and Machine Learning Methods	3
STAT/COMP SCI/ E C E 861	Theoretical Foundations of Machine Learning	3
STAT/B M I 877	Statistical Methods for Molecular Biology	3
STAT/E C E/ MATH 888	Topics in Mathematical Data Science <sup>1</sup>	1-3
STAT 992	Seminar <sup>1</sup>	1-3
MATH 521	Analysis I	3

<sup>1</sup> Students may not apply multiple special topics courses with the same topic title towards their degree.