SPATIO-TEMPORAL ANALYTICS AND BIG DATA MINING MSc / 2018/19 ENTRY

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With the rapid development of smart sensors, smartphones and social media, "big" data is ubiquitous. This new MSc teaches the foundations of GIScience, database, spatial analysis, data mining and analytics to equip professionals with the tools and techniques to analyse, represent and model large and complex spatio-temporal datasets.

**Degree summary**

Students will be equipped with computational foundations and skills needed for big data analytics including visualisation, prediction, clustering and simulation with statistical and machine learning approaches, as well as retrieving and mining big (open) data, web services and cloud computing, web and mobile applications, by practising with real case data and open software.

- As one of the world's top universities, UCL excels across the physical and engineering sciences, social sciences and humanities.
- Spanning two UCL faculties, this interdisciplinary programme exploits the complementary research interests and teaching programmes of three departments (Civil, Environmental & Geomatic Engineering, Computer Science, and Geography).
- Students on the Spatio-Temporal Analytics and Big Data Mining programme will be part of a vibrant, enthusiastic, and international research environment in which collaboration and free-ranging debate are strongly encouraged. This is supported by weekly research seminars and industrial seminars from top employers in the field.

The programme is delivered through a combination of lectures, seminars, and laboratory practicals. Assessment is through examination, coursework, practicals, dissertation, and poster presentation.

**Degree structure**

Mode: Full-time: 1 year
Location: London, Bloomsbury

Students undertake modules to the value of 180 credits. The programme consists of four core modules (60 credits), four optional modules (60 credits) and a dissertation/report (60 credits).

A Postgraduate Diploma, four core modules (60 credits), two optional modules (60 credits), full-time nine months is offered.

**CORE MODULES**

- GIS Principles and Technology
- Principles of Spatial Analysis
- Spatial Databases and Data Management
- Spatio-temporal Analysis and Data Mining

**CHOOSE FOUR OPTIONS FROM THE FOLLOWING:**

- Introductory Programming
- Complex Networks and Web
- Group Mini project: digital Visualisation (requires basic Java)
- Mapping Science
- Supervised Learning (requires Applied Machine Learning)
- Web Mobile GIS
- Information Retrieval & Data Mining (requires Introductory Programming)
- Applied Machine Learning (requires Introductory Programming)

**DISSERTATION/REPORT**

- All students undertake an independent research project which culminates in a dissertation of 15,000 words.
Your career

Graduates from this programme are expected to find positions in consultancy, local government, public industry, and the information supply industry, as well as in continued research. Possible career paths could include: data scientist in the social media, finance, health, telecoms, retail or construction and planning industries; developer of spatial tools and specialised spatial software; researcher or entrepreneur.

Employability

Graduates will be equipped with essential principles and technical skills in managing, modelling, spatial and spatial-temporal analysis, visualising and simulating "big" spatio-temporal data, with emphasis on real development skills including: Java, JavaScript, Python and R. Business Intelligence (BI) skills will also be taught via practical case studies and close collaborations with leading industrial companies and institutions. All these skills are highly valued in big data analysis.
Entry requirements

A minimum of an upper second-class UK Bachelor’s degree in a relevant discipline (such as engineering, mathematics, computer science, environmental science, human or physical geography, geology, forestry, oceanography, or physics) or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard. Applicants with relevant professional experience are also considered.

English language proficiency level

If your education has not been conducted in the English language, you will be expected to demonstrate evidence of an adequate level of English proficiency.

The level of English language proficiency for this programme is: Standard.

Information about the evidence required, acceptable qualifications and test providers is provided at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/english-requirements

Your application

Students are advised to apply as early as possible due to competition for places. Those applying for scholarship funding (particularly overseas applicants) should take note of application deadlines.

When we assess your application we would like to learn:

why you want to study Spatio-temporal Analytics and Big Data Mining at graduate level
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what particularly attracts you to this programme
how your personal, academic and professional background meets the demands of a challenging academic environment
where you would like to go professionally with your degree

Together with essential academic requirements, the personal statement is your opportunity to illustrate whether your reasons for applying to this programme match what the programme will deliver.

Application fee: There is an application processing fee for this programme of £75 for online applications and £100 for paper applications. More details about the application fee can be found at www.ucl.ac.uk/prospective-students/graduate/taught/application.

FEES AND FUNDING 2018/19 ENTRY

UK: £12,380 (FT), ENA (PT)
EU: £12,380 (FT), ENA (PT)
Overseas: £25,880 (FT), ENA (PT)

The tuition fees shown are for the year indicated above. Fees for subsequent years may increase or otherwise vary. Further information on fee status, fee increases and the fee schedule can be viewed on the UCL Current Students website.

Full details of funding opportunities can be found on the UCL Scholarships website: www.ucl.ac.uk/scholarships

APPLICATION DEADLINE

All applicants: 27 July 2018
Details on how to apply are available on the website at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/apply

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EU referendum

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