

**RESOLUTION TO UPDATE TITLE OF APPROVED M.S. IN APPLIED DATA SCIENCE
TO M.S. IN DATA SCIENCE**

WHEREAS, Virginia Tech strives to offer innovative and relevant curriculum to all students, and

WHEREAS, the College of Science continues to evaluate and revise its curriculum to remain fresh and relevant; and

WHEREAS, the Master of Science in Applied Data Science was approved by the Board of Visitors in March 2023; and

WHEREAS, the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) has been consulted and the College of Science agrees with the recommendation that the name of the degree be updated; and

WHEREAS, the recommendation is to remove the word “applied” from the title of the degree such that it reads Master of Science in Data Science;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon approval, the title of the approved be Master of Science in Applied Data Science.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Visitors approve the name of the Master of Science in Data Science.

April 9, 2024

Summary Information – Update title of previously approved new degree program – Master of Science (M.S.) Applied Data Science (CIP Code: 30.7001) to remove word “applied” so that the title of the new degree program would be Master of Science (M.S.) in Data Science (CIP Code: 30.7001).

Target initiation: Fall 2025 (pending approval by SCHEV)

Summary:

The BOV previously approved (March 2023) a new Master of Science (M.S.) in Applied Data Science (CIP Code: 30.7001). Following preliminary discussions with SCHEV staff about the proposed Master of Science (M.S.) in Applied Data Science (CIP Code: 30.7001) and based on staff recommendations, the College of Science made the decision to remove the word “applied” from the title of the degree program such that the title of the proposed new degree program would be the Master of Science (M.S.) in Data Science (CIP Code: 30.7001).

Actions:

1. Update title for the previously approved, proposed new degree program in data science - Master of Science (M.S.) in Data Science (CIP Code: 30.7001).