

STUDENT NEWSLETTER

Greetings to all, SDS students, alumni, and faculty,

We welcome September and the start of *resume season*. A quick look at the SDS Calendar below shows many employer recruitment events, career fairs, and networking opportunities. For those seeking a spring internship or job, there's a lot happening for you. That said, *how do your resume and LinkedIn profile look?* If they seem a little bare, don't worry—our friends in the Career Center have workshops and drop-in hours available. Log in and check out the Hire-a-Niner workshop calendar! The Association for Data Science has also scheduled a special resume review session specifically for Data Science students. We also have two alumni panels—undergrad and graduate students—coming up in September. For those planning a spring 2026 internship, join the faculty for a session on the capstone and internship requirements on September 10th.

Technology, Data & Analytics Career Community Week

The University Career Center will host a week of events focused on data science and analytics from September 15–19, 2025. The Career Center connects students and alumni with job postings, internships, on-campus employment, career fairs, and interview opportunities. Students can access the system by logging in with their NinerNET credentials, setting up a profile, and uploading documents such as a résumé. Once activated, they can search and apply for positions directly. Newly admitted students receive access a few days after admission, with limited options at first. Join the Technology | Data | Analytics Career Community and take advantage of this exciting week of opportunities!

Please plan to join the conversation! Keep reading for more info! **SDS Alumni**—do you have a job posting you want to share? Please send the link or PDF of the posting to me, and we will feature it in the next edition.

Josh Hertel

Director, School of Data Science

Share your SDS story! Have an event, community meet-up, Data competition, job posting, or story idea for the SDS



community? Please send your submissions to [Lindsay Lennon](#),
SDS Communications and Events Manager.

Program Updates AND CAMPUS NEWS

Campus Recruitment Events: Internships and Full-time Positions

- [STEM Fair](#): Thursday, September 11, 2025, 10:00 - 2:00 pm
- [Fall Career and Internship Fair](#): Friday, September 12, 2025, 10:00 - 2:00 pm
- [Actuarial Science Career Fair](#): Friday, September 26, 2025, 2:00 - 4:00 pm
- [Financial Services Career Fair](#): Tuesday, September 30, 2025, 4:00 - 7:00 pm
- [Part Time Job Fair](#): Wednesday, October 1, 2025, 11:00 - 2:00 pm

[Check Full Calendar of Workshops](#)

Important DATES

- **September 18:** Deadline to apply for December 2025 Graduation
- **September 22:** Unsatisfactory Mid-Term Grading available for Fall 2025
- **September 29:** Spring 2026 Schedule of Classes and Student registration appointment times available online
- **September 30:** Master's Thesis Proposal Defense for December 2025 Graduation

Find the full [SDS Calendar of Events](#) on the SDS website.

Professional Seminars – Every Tuesday @ Dubois Center

Each semester, the SDS is pleased to welcome industry professionals and business partners to meet face-to-face with our students. Seminars are held at the Dubois Center from 4:00 to 5:00 pm on Tuesdays. This semester, we will welcome representatives from Wells Fargo, SAS, Honeywell, McKinsey, and many other notable companies. [Find the full list of seminars and Register Here !](#)

"Optimizing Overall Equipment Effectiveness (OEE) Predictive Maintenance by AI/ML Capabilities in Industry 4.0"

Tue, Sep 09, 2025 | 4pm to 5pm

Natarajan Ravikumar, a Senior Program Manager at Honeywell, is a technology and delivery leader with over a decade of experience driving digital transformation across IT infrastructure, cybersecurity, supply chain, cloud architecture, and AI/ML. This presentation explores how Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML) are transforming OEE optimization through predictive maintenance, automated quality inspection, real-time anomaly detection, and intelligent process control.



The event card features a green background with a blurred image of a building. At the top center, it says "IN-PERSON EVENT". On the left, "TUESDAY SEMINAR SERIES" is written in large white letters. Below this, it says "Sponsored by: Honeywell" with the Honeywell logo. In the center is a circular portrait of Natarajan Ravikumar, a man with a beard wearing a brown blazer. To the right of the portrait, the title of the seminar is listed: "Optimizing Overall Equipment Effectiveness (OEE) Predictive Maintenance by AI/ML Capabilities in Industry 4.0", followed by the date "September 9, 2025". Below the date, it says "For more information, please visit:" and includes a QR code. At the bottom right, the speaker's name and title are listed: "Natarajan Ravikumar, SENIOR PROGRAM MANAGER, CLOUD INFRASTRUCTURE ANALYTICS & CYBERSECURITY, HONEYWELL".

DETAILS AND REGISTRATION

Internship, Capstone, and Thesis Options for HIAN & DSBA Master's Students

Wed, Sep 10, 2025 | 12:00 to 1:00 pm, VIRTUAL SESSION

This session is open to all HIA and DSBA students and offers an overview of internship, capstone, and thesis pathways within the master's programs. Topics

include eligibility requirements (credit hours, tools, and project scope), proposal submission, mentor selection, and the 160-hour minimum requirement. Students will also gain strategies for finding internships, networking, developing strong proposals, and following suggested timelines and best practices. Presenters:

- [Dr. Yaorong Ge](#) – Graduate Program Director, Health Informatics & Analytics (HIAN). He will outline capstone requirements for HIAN students.
- [Dr. Mirsad Hadzikadic](#) - Graduate Program Director of Data Science & Business Analytics (DSBA), will cover the general capstone requirements for DSBA students and the thesis option.
- [Robert Fox](#) – Senior Lecturer, School of Data Science, and lead faculty for the HIAN/DSBA Internship courses (HCIP 6400 and DSBA 6400). will discuss internship opportunities and proposal requirements.

VIRTUAL SESSION

SDS STUDENT WORKSHOP

Preparing for the HIA and DSBA Capstone/Internship

September 10, 2025
12:00 - 1:00 PM

For more information, please visit:

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CHARLOTTE SCHOOL OF DATA SCIENCE

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School of Data Science and CCI Undergraduate Young Alumni Panel

Monday, September 15, 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Woodward 135

Ever wonder what life looks like after graduation with a Computer Science or Data Science degree? Join us for an engaging panel discussion with recent alumni who are already making waves in the tech world! Get their real-world insights, ask your burning questions, and network with Niners who've been exactly where you are. Don't miss this chance to learn, connect, and jumpstart your career journey! Speakers representing USAA, Moody's, S&P Global, and Hilton will be on the panel. Open to all UG CCI and Data Science majors.

SCHOOL OF DATA SCIENCE & COLLEGE OF COMPUTING & INFORMATICS: UNDERGRADUATE YOUNG ALUMNI PANEL

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CHARLOTTE SCHOOL OF DATA SCIENCE

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CCI Student Professional Development Weekly Newsletter

In Your Inbox Every Tuesday!

Welcome to the new academic year and a new resource for your professional growth! All SDS students are receiving the CCI Student Professional Development Weekly Newsletter, curated by [Jay Skipworth](#) and [Carmalita Govan](#). This new newsletter replaces the CCI Business Partners Newsletter and is packed with professional development opportunities, seminars, job announcements, and networking events. Be sure to add it to your list of must-reads! You can also see details for events on the [CCI Events Calendar](#) (look for CCI Meet-Ups or Events). RSVPs on [Hire-A-Niner](#).

CCI Employer Events

Deutsche Bank - Employer in the Foyer

Wednesday, September 10, 11am-2pm, Woodward Second Floor

Deutsche Bank will host an engagement table where students can drop by to learn more about the company and receive professional development-related feedback. No appointment necessary. Drop-ins welcome. [More Info](#)

A Day in the Life of a AI/Machine Learning Professional with TIAA

Wednesday, September 17, 4pm-5pm, Woodward 335

Come and learn how Sapan Patel works as a Info Security Vulnerability Assessment Specialist on the Vulnerability Management team. Sapan will speak to his experience in the early talent programs, his final placement role, and how he leverages AI in his current role. [RSVP](#)

Peer Tech Talk: Mobile App Development and LLMs

Thursday, September 18, 4pm-5pm, Woodward 335

Come learn from Aakash Shah as he talks about mobile app development along with bridging the community you are a part of as well as how the use of LLMs can also help build projects and ideas faster. [RSVP](#)

Community Events– Meet–Ups, Hackathons, Conferences, etc.

Fleurix- Celebrate women+ in technology - October 13, 2025, Fort Mill, SC

Fleurix is a community-driven initiative dedicated to increasing the number of women+ thriving in tech careers by providing accessible resources, inclusive events, and a strong sense of belonging.

[Register to Attend](#)

Developing Tech Talent Through Experiential Learning

Triangle, October 02, 2025

Join NC TECH and MetLife for a dynamic panel discussion, "Developing Tech Talent Through Experiential Learning." Leaders from the NC Community College System, UNC Charlotte College of Computing and Informatics, and Code the Dream will explore how apprenticeships, on-the-job training, internships, and other work-based learning experiences are critical to shaping the next generation of technology professionals.

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Thu. October 2, 2025
8:30 am - 10:00 am



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SDS Resources

Free Access to DataCamp!

The School of Data Science and the College of Computing and Informatics have partnered with DataCamp to offer free access to all SDS students, faculty, and staff. DataCamp is an online platform that helps you build essential skills in Statistics, Python, and R while keeping you updated on the latest tools and techniques in data science. To gain access for free, create a DataCamp account with your @charlotte.edu email and then submit [this form](#).



University Center for Academic Excellence (UCAE)

Struggling with a tough class? Need extra support to maintain your grades? The University Center for Academic Excellence (UCAE) has you covered. They offer free tutoring, peer mentoring, and workshops that make studying much easier. Whether you're seeking help with a challenging subject, time management tips, or strategies to ace your exams, UCAE is the place to be. The best part? Everything is free and specifically designed for Niner students like you.

Explore More

UNC Charlotte Counseling & Psychological

Services (CAPS)

College is exciting—but it can also be stressful. CAPS is here to support your mental health and well-being with free, confidential counseling, workshops, and drop-in groups on topics like stress management and mindfulness. Whether you're looking for someone to talk to, strategies to manage anxiety, or guidance through life's challenges, CAPS offers a safe and welcoming space for all Niners. Remember: caring for your mental health is just as important as keeping up with your classes.

[Learn More](#)

Are you graduating in December?



Students who are planning to graduate in December must [apply for graduation through Banner](#) by **September 18**. Once a student has applied for graduation, the registrar's office will follow up with additional commencement information, including the ceremony schedule, which begins in October. Undergraduate students can email graduation@charlotte.edu with any additional questions, and Graduate students can email gradgraduation@charlotte.edu with any additional questions.

Student Government NEWS

Association of Data Science



Resume Workshop, Monday, September 8, at 6:00 PM in Woodward 254

Does your resume need a boost? Ready to stand out at career fairs? Join the Association of Data Science in Woodward 254 for our Resume Workshop. Learn proven strategies to improve your resume, highlight your strengths, and leave a lasting impression on recruiters. Don't miss this opportunity to differentiate yourself!

Looking for a Mentor?

ADS is excited to announce the launch of our Mentorship Program this fall! Whether you're seeking guidance on classes, career paths, or navigating college life, a mentor can make all the difference. [Mentee sign-up link](#)

SDS Graduate Student Council

Interested in the 2025 NASA Space Apps Challenge? The 2025 NASA Space Apps Challenge Hackathon is coming soon, and we want to know if you're interested in joining! Space Apps is the world's largest annual hackathon, where participants from around the globe come together to solve challenges using NASA's open data. There are projects for all skill levels, from beginners to experienced coders and analysts. This is a fun challenge for teams of up to 6 people and is a great project for your resume! Registration for the event closes October 5th so apply soon!

Apply Now

Jobs, Fellowships, AND INTERNSHIPS



Below is a current listing of postings shared with the SDS team or posted on the [Career Center's Hire-a-Niner site](#). If you are interested in sharing a position posting, you can email the information directly to [Joshua Hertel \(jhertel@charlotte.edu\)](mailto:jhertel@charlotte.edu) or access the full UNC Charlotte community through the Career Center- See Below.

Internships

- [2026 Summer Intern: Associate Business Analyst, Spectrum](#), Charlotte, NC
- [Enterprise Credit Summer Analyst Program 2026 - Consumer Credit, Bank of America](#), Charlotte, NC
- [Risk Advisory Intern - Summer 2026, Grant Thornton \(US\)](#), Charlotte, NC
- [Data Scientist Intern, Red Hat](#), Raleigh, NC

Jobs

- [Forecasting Analyst Marketing, TTX Company](#), Charlotte, NC (Hybrid)
- [Quantitative Operations Associate - Volume Forecaster, Bank of America](#), Charlotte, NC
- [Quantitative Finance Analyst, Bank of America](#), Charlotte, NC
- [Lead Data Scientist, Lowe's Companies, Inc.](#), Charlotte, NC
- [Supply Chain Data Science Manager, Ross Stores, Inc.](#), Rock Hill, SC

- [Data Scientists I/II - Deposit Fraud, Truist](#), Charlotte, NC
- [Data Scientist I, Bank of America](#), Charlotte, NC
- [Data Analyst, Healthgrades, RVO Health](#), Charlotte, NC
- [\(Senior\) Data Team Lead, IQVIA](#), Charlotte, NC

CHECK HIRE-A-NINER FOR ADDITIONAL LISTINGS!

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[Join the Technology | Data | Analytics Community :](#)

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Alumni Recruitment: Share Your Opportunities with SDS Students

Interested in recruiting talented UNC Charlotte students and graduates? We remind you that as an alumni, Hire-A-Niner is still available to you as an employer.



Here's what you can do:

- **Feature Your Job in the SDS Student Newsletter:** Have a job or internship opening? Send it to **Josh Hertel** at jhertel@charlotte.edu, and we'll include it in the next SDS Student Newsletter, reaching over 800 current undergraduates and graduate students, plus 1,000+ SDS alumni.
- **Post Through Hire-A-Niner:** As an alumni, you can [use UNC Charlotte's Hire-A-Niner platform](#) as an employer, completely free. Post jobs and internships, Target specific majors or program levels (like Data Science, undergrad, or grad).

Let us know when your post is live, and we'll promote it to SDS students via our newsletter. Questions? Contact the **Career Center's Employer Engagement Team** at recruit@charlotte.edu.

Update Alumni Information

Keep your contact information current, you'll be sure to receive the latest information on SDS alumni events, news, announcements, and more. With more than 100,000 UNC Charlotte alumni and 500 (and growing) from the School of Data Science, you can connect with other fellow graduates around the globe. [Click here to update your contact and/or professional information.](#)



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