

LSE Data Science Institute Affiliate Scheme

Any LSE staff member who wishes to be associated with DSI, and whose research and interests align with the mission of the Institute, are invited to join the DSI as an Affiliate.

Benefits to Affiliates

Community: Affiliates make up the core of the DSI community at LSE. The DSI provides Affiliates with opportunities to meet researchers with a diverse range of backgrounds, to network, communicate and collaborate, and to engage in collaborative, interdisciplinary research that enhances discovery and innovation within the field of data science as applied to social science questions.

Agenda: Affiliates play a key role in developing the DSI agenda and defining the grand challenges, by actively participating in our events and collaborations.

Resources: Affiliates will have priority access to DSI events and funding schemes, announced first on an internal channel available only to Affiliates and DSI staff, and have the chance to suggest such events and request organizational support for DSI-related events they propose or organise.

Co-working space and hosting: Affiliates may also apply to have their research students hosted with workspace at the DSI, to host their visiting collaborators, or to hot desk at the DSI themselves.

DSI Expectations

Participation: Affiliates should attend seminars and other DSI events where possible. This includes potentially speaking at the annual data science showcase about their research, participating in hackathons, etc.

Promotion: Affiliates should make an effort represent the DSI externally and promote its activities, including through having their profile listed on the DSI website.

Reporting: For the annual DSI reports, Affiliates will be asked to submit a brief report each year on their activities related to data science and to the DSI.

Reviewing: Affiliates may be asked to review applications for small grant funding, external associates, or other proposals.

Publishing: Affiliates will be encouraged to submit papers to a DSI paper series or a blog, after these have been launched.

Grant applications: Affiliates will be encouraged to make the DSI part of their grant applications and to make use of the DSI facilities and staff support in carrying out their funded research.

Co-supervision: Affiliates will be open to the idea of co-supervising DSI-linked PhD students.

How to apply

To join the DSI as an Affiliate, please complete the form [here](#). Applications are on a rolling basis so there are no deadlines to apply, but will be reviewed by the Committee approximately 6 times a year.

LSE Visiting Appointments

The DSI also considers applications for Visiting Appointment status from outside of LSE. Visiting Appointments are normally collaborators of DSI Affiliates, proposed by the Affiliate, or researchers on research leave or sabbatical who wish to spend part or all of their time hosted by the DSI.

Visiting Appointment requests can be made at the same link as regular Affiliates. Please direct enquiries to DSI.Admin@lse.ac.uk.