

Master of Data Science - University of British Columbia Okanagan

Minutes for May 11, 2020 - 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM PST

Present: Sofia Bahmutsky, Ngan Lyle, Kaitlyn Hobbs (Minutes), Shreeram Murali

Agenda

1. Discuss web scraping strategies and barriers

Meeting Notes

Current Limitations

- Issues with importing ODHF into R after subsetting - all latitude and longitude values convert to NA. **Potential solutions:** (1) filter in excel and save as new file then import. (2) try importing using python pandas.
- Web scraping the long-term care facility webpage only returns warning page for JavaScript requirements and not the rendered DOM. Attempts using chrome driver in python have been unsuccessful.

Action Items

- Resolve issues with ODHF data import.
- Sofia and Ngan will begin with scraping [public reporting map of LTC homes](#).
- Tuesday presentation slides.
- KT and Shreeram will continue working on scraping [How Ontario is responding to Covid-19](#).