

# Cory K Costello, PhD

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## Technical skills

- **Programming Languages & Other Tools:**
  - Expertise in R (tidyverse, ggplot2, lme4, caret), SQL, Git, Python, & Markdown.
  - Proficiency in Tableau.
- **Statistical Modeling:**
  - Expertise in Linear and Logistic Regression (incl. penalized), longitudinal data analysis and time series, Mixed Effects Modeling, Structural Equation Modeling, Supervised and Unsupervised Machine Learning, Social Network Analysis, & Natural Language Processing.
- **Research Approaches:**
  - Expertise in experimental (A/B testing), quasi-experimental, survey-based, and data scientific methods. Causal inference in experimental and non-experimental designs.
- **Experience Managing** several simultaneous projects and supervising small teams of researchers.

## Experience

**Senior Data Scientist** 2021 - Present

Nielsen Corporation, Oldsmar, FL (Remote)

- Led data science efforts within cross-functional team for R&D audience measurement product.
- Leveraged data science tools (SQL, R, Python, etc.) to make data-driven decisions and recommendations for product improvement.

**Postdoctoral Fellow** in Emotion and Self-Control Lab 2020 - 2021

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

- Examined emotions in online social networks and offline in daily life using mixed-methods.
- Designed research materials; Executed complex statistical analyses; Mentored junior colleagues.

**Graduate Employee** 2014 - 2020

University of Oregon, Eugene, OR

- **Teaching Fellow** for several courses; graduate-level statistics; *R Bootcamp* for incoming PhD students.
  - Designed and led instructional labs in statistics and statistical programming.
  - Leveraged student surveys to spearhead greater emphasis on programming and data science skills.
  - Engaged administration to fund an annual R Bootcamp which I created and implemented.
- **Research Fellow** NIH & NSF funded projects on psychology & Online Social Networks.
  - Designed research materials (e.g., surveys), recruited subjects, analyzed data, and reported results.
  - Resulted in several publications and professional presentations.

**Graduate Research assistant** 2012 - 2014

Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC

- Cleaned and analyzed data, designed research materials, and communicated findings.

## Education

**Ph.D. Psychology**, University of Oregon 2020

Dissertation: *Human and Computerized Inferences from Digital Footprints on Twitter*

**M.A. Psychology**, Wake Forest University 2014

**B.A. Psychology**, New College of Florida (The Honors College of Florida) 2012

*see 5-page CV for more detail*