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EDUCATION

Harris School of Public Policy, University of Chicago

Master of Science in Computational Analysis and Public Policy

Chicago, IL

Expected June 2023

- Relevant coursework: CS with Applications (Python), Math for Machine Learning & Machine Learning, Databases, Data Visualization, Program Evaluation (causal inference), Time Series Analysis & Forecasting

Wellesley College

Bachelor of Arts in Economics, Minor in Mathematics, *Magna Cum Laude*

Wellesley, MA

June 2018

- Awarded the Natalie Bolton Faculty Prize in Econometrics (2017): Prize for the best econometrics group paper

SKILLS

- Programming: Python (numpy, pandas, scikit-learn, matplotlib), SQL, D3.js, Stata, SAS, Flask, Docker, HTML/CSS, Dash
- Statistics/econometrics: OLS, randomized controlled trials, instrumental variables, regression discontinuity

EXPERIENCE

Civic Digital Fellow

Data Science Fellow at US Census Bureau

Remote

June 2022 - August 2022

- Conducted exploratory record linkage and analysis in Python between the Business Formation Statistics data products and various demographic datasets (Annual Business Survey & Nonemployer Statistics by Demographics) to develop a process (matching by unique identifier; resolving duplicates to select primary record) for an improved data product
- Presented findings to external audiences and senior internal leadership on the process for assembling a more equitable & improved data product to help businesses, policymakers, regional planners, and researchers assess the current state of early entrepreneurship at the national and state levels

Harris School of Public Policy

Research Assistant

Chicago, IL

March 2022 - June 2022

- Leveraged Stata to build infrastructure for large (>20GB) consumer expenditures data
- Explored APIs to collect Amazon ASIN codes and string-matching techniques (matching Amazon product descriptions to item descriptions in consumer expenditures data) to impute ~5 million missing UPC codes

Harvard Business School

Research Associate

Boston, MA

July 2018 - July 2021

- Utilized Stata and SAS to collect, clean, and apply econometric models using administrative and financial data; example projects include the effect of internet and information inequality on job flows, impact of a salary disclosure law on the gender pay gap, & creating an adjusted living wage benchmark
- Aided in the development of and co-authored HBS cases used in the MBA curriculum by conducting company due diligence, interviewing company staff, and creating requisite data representations

PROJECTS

[Analyzing COVID Twitter Sentiments on Healthcare Stock Price](#) (Python: pandas, numpy, matplotlib, scikit-learn)

- Conducted sentiment analysis on COVID-related Tweets to extract polarity of tweets, preprocessed data and performed feature selection using information gain
- Adopted logistic regression, random forest, gradient descent & support vector classifiers to predict stock price direction based on time series data for multiple train-test groups (9-month training period with the following 6-months for testing)

Chicago Food Inspection (SQL, Flask); Available upon request

- Wrote SQL queries to interact with DBMS and acquire information from ~1k restaurant records; cleaned data and linked restaurants that are the same; implemented blocking and indexing in SQL to optimize the data cleaning algorithm by ~40%
- Coded with Flask to set up web service endpoints for food inspections in Chicago; endpoints received http POST and GET requests to store and read data, i.e., restaurant location, latest inspection date

[Data Visualization - The Tate Collection through the Years](#) (D3.js, HTML/CSS, JS, Python)

- Coded primarily in D3.js to conduct visual storytelling with 3 different chart types