

# DIANE VARLEY KIERCE

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## SUMMARY

I am a data specialist who brings compassion and commitment to everything I do. My practical nature keeps me focused on answering real-world questions by looking to data. My training in philosophy and mathematics leads me deep into conceptual complexity. I believe that good listening skills are crucial for effective leadership, clear communication, and growth, both professional and personal.

## CONTACT

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## EDUCATION

General Assembly  
Data Science Immersive  
2017

UCLA  
PhD Philosophy 2013

Tufts University  
MA Philosophy 2005

Dartmouth College  
BA Applied Mathematics,  
Religion 1997  
magna cum laude

## SKILLS

**TECHNICAL SKILLS:** SQL, Python, Tableau, Git, GitHub, Command Line / Terminal, MacOS / Windows, Excel, Word, PowerPoint

**PROFESSIONAL SKILLS:** Public Speaking, Teaching / Training / Presenting, Logic, Ethical Analysis, Philosophical Analysis, Critical Thinking, Problem Solving, Curriculum Development, Writing

## EXPERIENCE

### General Assembly Aspiring Data Scientist

Seattle, WA  
4/2017 - 6/2017

- Studied data science in an immersive, project-based 12-week program
- Focused on research design, exploratory data analysis, data modeling, machine learning, telling stories with data
- Tools: Python, SQL, Tableau, Git, GitHub, Command Line
- Topics: Data Acquisition, Data Cleaning, Data Analysis, Machine Learning, Data Visualization, Modeling

### Radio Television & Film Partner

Seattle, WA; Los Angeles, CA  
7/2007 - Present

- Co-owner of small, privately-held creative production and content strategy business
- In charge of management, financial, personnel, and legal operations
- Successfully managed relocation from Los Angeles to Seattle in 2015; revenue back to previous level within one year

### UCLA Department of Philosophy, UCLA Extension Lecturer

Los Angeles, CA  
1/2014 - 8/2014

- Taught in-person and online courses: Medical Ethics; Society and Morals; Contemporary Moral Issues
- Developed curriculum and presented dynamic lectures designed to promote active learning
- Managed teaching assistants
- Utilized technology to enhance students' learning experience: Blackboard (with Collaborate), Moodle, Turnitin, Prezi, YouTube, QuickTime, Google Drive, and Google Hangouts

### UCLA Department of Philosophy TA Coordinator

Los Angeles, CA  
9/2010 - 8/2011

- Analyzed TA preferences and departmental needs to optimize TA assignments for 80+ positions
- Instructed new TAs on pedagogy, departmental practices, university policies, and relevant laws
- Mediated conflicts between faculty and graduate student employees
- Reviewed performance of new TAs and provided feedback about improving pedagogy

### UCLA Department of Philosophy Teaching Fellow / Graduate Researcher / Doctoral Candidate

Los Angeles, CA  
9/2005 - 12/2013

- Led discussion sections, graded exams and papers, and provided personalized support to students
- Conducted original research for dissertation project
- Presented my research to a variety of audiences
- Oversaw departmental library operations
- Managed work-study undergraduate student workers and graduate student teaching assistant

### Saint Ann's School Mathematics Teacher, Grades 4-12

Brooklyn, NY  
9/1998 - 6/2003

### The Parthenon Group Associate Strategy Consultant

Boston, MA  
9/1997 - 5/1998

- Developed financial models, valuations, market research, data-driven market assessments
- Collaborated on presentations for top executive clients explaining team's research and recommendations