DIANE VARLEY KIERCE

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 mathematics and philosophy 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
AB Religion, Applied Mathematics 1997
magna cum laude

SKILLS

TECHNICAL SKILLS: Python, Git, GitHub, Command Line / Terminal, MacOS / Windows, Excel, Word, SQL, Tableau
PROFESSIONAL SKILLS: Public Speaking, Teaching / Training / Presenting, Logic, Ethical Analysis, Philosophical Analysis, Critical Thinking, Problem Solving, Curriculum Development, Writing

EXPERIENCE

General Assembly — Seattle, WA
Aspiring Data Scientist — 4/2017 - 6/2017
- Studied data science in a full-time, project-based 12-week program focused on research design, exploratory data analysis, data modeling, machine learning, telling stories with data
- Tools: Python, Tableau, Git, GitHub, Command Line, SQL
- Topics: Data Acquisition (Web Scraping, APIs), Data Cleaning, Data Analysis, Machine Learning, Data Visualization, Natural Language Processing
- Portfolio: https://dianekierce.github.io

Radio Television & Film — Seattle, WA; Los Angeles, CA
Partner — 7/2007 - Present
- Co-owner of small, privately-held creative production and content strategy business
- Oversee 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 — Los Angeles, CA
Lecturer — 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 — Los Angeles, CA
TA Coordinator — 9/2010 - 8/2011
- Analyzed TA preferences and departmental needs to optimize TA assignments for 80+ positions
- Managed 25-30 TAs per quarter
- 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 — Los Angeles, CA
Teaching Fellow / Graduate Researcher / Doctoral Candidate — 9/2005 - 12/2013
- Served as Lead TA on teams of 4-8 TAs for large lecture courses
- 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 — Brooklyn, NY
Mathematics Teacher, Grades 4–12 — 9/1998 - 6/2003

The Parthenon Group — Boston, MA
Associate Strategy Consultant — 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