

# MICHAEL DIAZ

## FOOTBALL OPERATIONS DATA SCIENTIST & SCOUT



### SUMMARY

Football Data Scientist with a background in Coaching, Recruiting, and Team evaluations, who is eager to combine passion for football with analytical strategies to develop and provide a championship-caliber roster. Collaborative team player with excellent communication skills, superior work ethic, and relentless desire to learn and grow within the ever-changing field of Data Science.

### TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Data Analysis, Statistical Modeling, Machine Learning**

Python, Javascript

### WORK EXPERIENCE

2018

#### **Football Analyst**

##### ***Worcester Polytechnic Institute***

- Developed intricate algorithms based on deep-dive statistical analysis.
- Analyze complex data sets using advanced querying, visualization and analytics tools.
- Identified, measured and recommended improvement strategies for KPIs across all team performance areas.

2017 -2018

#### **Wide Receiver/Special Teams Coach**

##### ***William Paterson University***

- Lead on generating team statistics/tendencies using Hudl
- Inputted weekly scouting assessments in team Hudl Database
- Extracted useable statistics to create meaningful Gameday visualizations
- Built playbook install, created 2D play visuals and attached in-game Video packages on Hudl Database for offense.

2016-2017

#### **Linebacker/Special Teams Coach**

##### ***Fairleigh Dickinson University***

- Charted offensive scouting tendencies of opponents into Hudl
- Generate daily and weekly self-scouting charts and spreadsheets of practice and gameday data
- Assisted in building strength/speed program and recorded player measurable gains/losses into spreadsheet
- Implemented use of Interactive Whiteboards and tablets to examine scouting and playbook visualizations for players

### PROJECT EXPERIENCE

2018- April

#### **NFL Correlations**

##### ***Chief of Data Visualization & Creativity***

- Led in decisions regarding & created:
  - Visualization libraries and types
  - Features

(Object-Oriented Programming Languages) Scikit-learn (Machine Learning), Pandas (Data Frames), Matplotlib & Seaborn & Plotly & D3 & Leaflet & Mapbox (2D Visualizations), Flask (Web Framework), Beautiful Soup (Web Scraping), Requests (API), Flexbox, CSS Grid

## Business Intelligence Platforms

### Excel, Tableau

Fast querying, sorting, reporting and powerful visualizations of Data.

## Databases

### MongoDB, MySQL

Distributed & Relational Databases. Collect, store, protect, and retrieve sensitive data.

## Front-End Development

### Big Three HTML, CSS, JS

jQuery (DOM Manipulation, Event Handling, Animation, Ajax), CSS Grid & Flexbox (Template Styling), Bootstrap (Web Framework)

- Tooltips
- Presentation

2018- June

### Project Alpha Quake

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## EDUCATION

Graduation Date: July 2018

Rutgers Data Science Continuing Studies: Rutgers University

Graduation Date: May 2013

Bachelor of Arts- Elementary Education (B.A.): Kean University

## CERTIFICATIONS

Python for Data Science Essential Training (Lynda)

MongoDB (Lynda)

HTML Essential Training (Lynda)

CSS Essential Training (Lynda)

JS Essential Training (Lynda)

## ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

2014-2018

### Elementary/Technology Teacher

#### *Passaic City School District*

- Led in teacher workshops/private instructions on logging student achievement into software like Google Sheets, Powerschool, and Gradebook.
- Provided individual instruction on gathering, parsing, and implementing student data.
- Utilized student data to structure individual accommodations