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Education

# University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada

September 2015-Present

Bachelor of Commerce, Combined Major of Business and Computer Science GPA:  $3.99/4.0\,$ 

Awards

### Scholarships

- 2020 Rick Sample Memorial Research Award \$2,500
- 2019 IVADO/Mila Deep Learning Winter School Scholarship \$500
- 2019 Kenneth G. Young Memorial Scholarship \$800
- 2017 Sauder School of Business Scholarship \$2,300
- 2017 Trek Excellence Scholarship \$1,500

#### Distinctions

• 2016 Dean's Honour Roll

#### **Publications**

- O. AlOmeir, **E. Y. Lai**, M. Milani, and R. Pottinger. Summarizing Provenance of Aggregation Query Results in Relational Databases. [Short paper]. To Appear in IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering, 2021 (ICDE '21).
- O. AlOmeir, **E. Y. Lai**, M. Milani, and R. Pottinger. *Pastwatch: On the Usability of Provenance Data in Relational Databases*. [Short paper]. To Appear in IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering, 2020 (ICDE '20).

#### Presentations

Developing a Data-Driven Electric Vehicle Strategy in Surrey, BC, Canada. [Co-presented] SIGKDD Social Impact Session, 2020.

Maximizing Utilization of Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure in Surrey, BC Using a Data-Driven Model. [Co-presented] UBC Multidisciplinary Undergraduate Research Conference (MURC), 2020.

Computer Science Undergraduate Program Evaluation and Renewal. [Co-presented with Dr. Rachel Pottinger]. UBC Board of Governors Meeting, 2020.

Facilitating Users with SQL Query Formulation. UBC Undergraduate Three-Minute Thesis Competition, 2019.

EV Explorer: A Visualization Tool for Surrey Electric Vehicle Transformation Strategy. [Co-presented] UBC Vancouver Summer Program (VSP) Urban Big Data Mentoring Event, 2019.

Research Experience

## UBC Data Management and Mining Lab

April 2019-Present

Research Assistant with Dr. Rachel Pottinger

- Assist knowledge exploration in databases to help users better access and make sense of data.
- Apply concepts of visualization and machine learning to build a system that recommends customized SQL queries using query workloads.

# Sauder School of Business

July 2019-Present

Research Assistant with Dr. Arslan Aziz, Dr. Gene Lee

- Use causal inference methods to evaluate the impact of online platform policy ban on incentivized reviews using consumer reviews and validate the results with robustness checks.
- Apply natural language processing (NLP) techniques to process large datasets and use Amazon AWS and Google NLP APIs to identify unnatural reviews based on linguistic features.

### **UBC** Data Science Institute

Summer 2019

Research Intern with Dr. Raymond Ng (primary), Dr. Kevin Lin

- Partnered with the Environmental Sustainability Advisory Committee of the City of Surrey, BC to guide the development of the Surrey Electric Vehicle Transformation Strategy.
- Used statistical and machine learning models to understand potential electric vehicle consumers and classify communities into groups such as current growth and high potential.

## Industry Experience

## Statistics Canada Ottawa Headquarter

September 2017-April 2018

Full-Stack Developer Intern

- Implemented a web service application embedded in a toolbox using technologies such as C#, JavaScript, SQL, ASP .NET and exceeded clients expectations by optimizing jQuery widgets.
- Designed and developed a Windows Service application and obtained positive feedback from clients by effectively communicating the client needs and executing tasks efficiently.
- Obtained a full-time offer from the Statistics Information System Division (SISD) executive team by demonstrating strong self-learning skills and work ethic.

### Teaching Experience

### University of British Columbia

Computer Science Undergraduate Program Curriculum Renewal Project CPSC 304 Introduction to Relational Databases

August 2019-Present May 2019-July 2019

March 2020-May 2020

September 2018-April 2019

June 2020

June 2020

April 2017

### Community Involvement

SIGMOD 2020, Student Volunteer

UBC Data Science for Social Good Program, Student Mentor UBC Computer Science Student Society (CSSS) Coffee Chat, Mentor UBC Computer Science Tri-Mentoring Program, Student Mentor Greater Vancouver Regional Science Fair, Lab Volunteer

Learning Buddy Network, Math Tutor Volunteer
UBC YOURS Club, IT Team Executive
January 2017-April 2017
October 2015-April 2016

Additional Training

#### Grad Courses

- CPSC 530L Topics in Artificial Intelligence: AI Social Impact
- COMM 635 Advanced Topics in Information Systems: Causal Inference

### Other Training

- 2019 IVADO/Mila Deep Learning Winter School $5^{\rm th}$  Edition
- 2019 UBC Data Science for Social Good (DSSG) Workshop Series

Programming

Python, R, JavaScript.

References

Available upon request.