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Summary

My 2.5 years' experience crafting data driven narratives in the US Treasury's International Affairs Office sparked a passion for working with and visualizing data. I have experience with Tableau, Stata, and R, and am learning to visualize with JavaScript. I am a fast learner who approaches challenges with a constructive, professional, and friendly attitude.

Experience with…

JavaScript (D3.js), Tableau, Stata, R, Bloomberg Machine, SharePoint, Haver Analytics, MS Office Suite

Relevant Professional Experience

Econ. Research Analyst, International Affairs Office, US Dept. of Treasury, Washington, DC ...... June 2015-June 2017

- Worked in a high-pressure environment to take complex, data heavy macroeconomic issues and synthesize easy to understand narratives for use by senior Treasury and White House policy makers.
- Volunteered for the IT Committee and fought for the purchase of Tableau; introduced it into office workflow as a tool to visualize geographic trends and allow senior staff to interact with data. Became the office's go-to adviser on the use of innovative and effective data visualizations.
- Worked with internal technology partners to design and deployed a SharePoint website and memo database for the International Affairs Office; presented the final product to a town hall of over 200 users including Assistant and Under Secretaries.
- Navigated a large, complex bureaucratic organization to clear memos and introduce new technology; the balancing of many (sometimes competing) stakeholders required professionalism and clear communication.

Intern, International Affairs Office, US Dept. of Treasury, Washington, DC .... January 2015-April 2015

- Used Stata and Excel pivot tables to explore and visualize large data sets drawn from Bloomberg Machines.
- Cleaned messy Bloomberg data using Stata, which developed an appreciation for using best practices when managing large datasets.
- Supported the Chief Economist's Office in FX debt analysis and day-to-day projects.

Other Relevant Experience

Self-led training in programming and data visualization

- JavaScript (D3.js)- *Interactive Data Visualization for the Web, an introduction to designing with D3* by Scott Murray
- R and Tableau- Coursera courses on data visualization

Washington D.C. Chapter Leader, UC Davis Alumni Association **2014-2017**

- Lead a team of board members in organizing events and publishing the quarterly newsletter

Education

University of California, Davis .... June 2014
B.A. in International Relations