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## Qualifications

- Proficient in R, Python, Javascript, and SQL computing languages, as well as distributed batch scheduling on supercomputers running Red Hat Enterprise Linux.
- Designed, implemented, analyzed, and published computational social scientific research using a variety of methods, including cross-sectional and longitudinal social network analysis, natural language processing, machine learning, structural equation modeling, bayesian statistics, and maximum likelihood estimation.
- History of taking on complex responsibilities, communicating with diverse and interdisciplinary team members, and managing multiple projects and teams, in both academic and industry research settings.

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## Education

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY  
Ph.D., Communication  
*Anticipated graduation: May 2021*

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY  
M.A., Communication  
*Graduated May 2019*

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI  
B.A. (Honors), Communication  
*Graduated May 2012*

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## Recent Employment History

**Graduate Technical Intern**, May, 2019 – Present

SANDIA NATIONAL LABORATORIES, Machine Intelligence Group – Albuquerque, NM

- Led the development and testing of new network analytic measures and their predictive capacity of social group stability in machine learning models.
- Presented results at both internal funding meetings and a complexity science conference.
- Consulted on two additional projects using agent-based modeling and natural language processing.

**Graduate Research & Teaching Associate**, August, 2015 – Present

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, School of Communication – Columbus, OH

- Designed, implemented, and analyzed data for several social-scientific studies involving a wide array of methods and procedures.
- Trained and managed other graduate and undergraduate research assistants.
- Contributed to a successful application for a research grant (Miller Award, see full CV on my website).
- Independently taught communication industry research methods and persuasive communication courses.
- Assisted in the instruction of crisis communication and industry research methods, including guest lectures.
- Crafted and graded assignments, including examples of research designs and data analyses.

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## Additional Training

- *Complex Systems Summer School*, Santa Fe Institute, June 10 – July 6, 2018
- *Workshops on Social Network Analysis*, Political Networks Conference, June 14 – 15, 2017
- *Statistical Horizons* workshop on structural equation modeling, The Ohio State University, August 8 – 9, 2016

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## Additional Accomplishments and Awards

- Published 11 articles in top-ranked, peer-reviewed academic journals.
  - Presented 22 projects at academic conferences in communication, political science, and complexity science.
  - Won three top paper awards from the International Communication Association, the National Communication Association, and the International Society for Self and Identity.
  - *Doris Gildea Morgan Scholarship* (senior researcher of the year) - Ohio State University, School of Communication (Awarded 2019)
  - *Walter B. Emery Memorial Scholarship* (junior researcher of the year) - Ohio State University, School of Communication (Awarded 2018)
  - *2017 Graduate Fellowship Award* - Political Networks Conference
  - *Member* – Lambda Pi Eta National Communication Honors Society, Chi Beta chapter
  - *Edward and Ellen Kniep Memorial Scholarship* – University of Missouri (Awarded 2008-2012)
  - *John and Virginia Sutherland Scholarship* – University of Missouri (Awarded 2008-2012)
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