

**Seth Briney – Machine Learning Engineer****Email:** [SethLBriney@gmail.com](mailto:SethLBriney@gmail.com)**Website:** [SethBriney.com](http://SethBriney.com)

Master of Science - Computer Science	Master of Science - Mathematics	BA/BS
<a href="#">Western Washington University</a> GPA 3.87   Year: 2023	<a href="#">Western Washington University</a> GPA 3.87   Year: 2019	<a href="#">TESC</a> 2017

**Technical Skills:**

**Python Modules:** Gymnasium/OpenAiGym, HuggingFace, Matplotlib, Numpy, Pandas, PyGame, PyTorch, RL-Baselines Zoo 3 / Stable Baselines 3, SciKit-Learn, TensorFlow, WandB; **Cloud and Virtualization:** App-tainer, AWS, Azure, Colab, Docker/Podman, SSH; **Computational Techniques:** Bayesian Decision Theory, Distributed Computing; **Data:** EnergyPlus, Excel, Simulation, SQL, Visualization; **Languages:** BASH, C, C++, C#, Java, Julia, MATLAB/Octave, Python, R; **AI:** Computer Vision, Deep Learning, Reinforcement Learning, Statistical Data Analysis, Transfer Learning, Transformers; **Workflow:** Git, Google Slides, LaTeX, Linux, Management, Project Collaboration.

**Notable:** Python (9 years), PyTorch (5 years), Numpy (7 years), Linux (12 years), Machine Learning (10 years).

**Experience:**

<b>Machine Learning Engineer Intern</b>	<a href="#">CompuMatter</a>	FEB 2024 - PRESENT
• Collaborating with the web development team to integrate Large Language Models (LLMs) with RESTful services, enhancing user experience • Designed and implemented a custom LLM chatbot interface utilizing Python and Javascript • Designed and implemented a complex CNN utilizing numerous regularization techniques and k-fold cross validation, in the D-4 Computer Vision Kaggle competition, identifying sick plants with 96% accuracy. Placed second in the leaderboard with a single submission.		
<b>Research Associate</b>	<a href="#">Western Washington University</a>	AUG 2023 - JAN 2024
• Collaborated with <a href="#">PNNL</a> sponsors and WWU research team in a grant funded research project, focused on applying deep learning to physics-based control tasks • Worked with sponsors to define achievable tasks • Presented verbal and written presentations, communicating model details and results to technical and non-technical audiences • Applied Deep Reinforcement Learning toward constrained energy management and reference tracking • Used physics simulators to generate data, improved numerical stability and robust sampling methods • Contributed to the open source <a href="#">Neuromancer</a> project, being recognized as a notable contributor.		
<b>Graduate Research Assistant</b>	<a href="#">Western Washington University</a>	MAR 2022 - AUG 2023
• Grant funded smart-building project in <i>load forecasting</i> and <i>flexibility</i> with deep learning • Optimized and deployed: Transformers, LSTMs, CNNs and MLPs achieving an $R^2$ metric of 0.98 • Collaborated with building domain experts to ensure expertise was embedded in model selection • Implemented and graphically analyzed various cross-climate transfer learning scenarios, improving metrics by 15% vs training on only a single climate.		
<b>Teaching Experience</b>	<a href="#">WWU</a> , <a href="#">SVC</a> , <a href="#">BTC</a> , <a href="#">TESC</a> , <a href="#">Independent</a>	DEC 2019 - MAR 2022
• Worked interactively with students from diverse backgrounds to assist understanding of course material. Led workshops, labs, and 1-1 sessions; online, in-person, and hybrid • Utilized a combination of visual and verbal communication, and collaborated with a teams of excellent tutors to best reach students with individualized strategy • Provided feedback on code submissions in Java, Python, and numerical analysis in SageMath.		
<b>Landscaping</b>	Independent Contractor	JUN 2011-DEC 2019
• Communicated with clients to define tasks • Produced itemized invoices • Managed crews in tasks including: sprinkler installation, masonry, and yard design and installation.		
<b>Maze-Runner AI</b>	Modified Q-learning algorithm to prevent agent from getting stuck, enabling it to complete randomly generated mazes.	
<b>Climate CNN</b>	Predicted the day of the year within 1.4 days, reduced data dimensionality by $\frac{1}{13}$ .	
<b>Super Mario Bros AI</b>	Computer Vision control leveraging <a href="#">CnnLstmPolicy</a> from <a href="#">SB3-Contrib</a> . Implemented feature engineered action space to improve agent's spatial reasoning, and ability to jump over tall pipes with planned jump height, enabling agent to reach level 2 over 100x faster. Used 32 parallel environments for robust data sampling.	