# SPENCER ELKINGTON

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#### **EDUCATION**

University of Utah May 2022

B.S. Quantitative Analysis of Markets & Organizations Minor Computer Science

Key Skills: Game Dev, Data Analytics, Software Dev, Data Visualization, Econometrics, Statistics

Software: Jupyter, Databricks, Tableau, Roblox Studio, Linux, AWS, Apache Spark, Snowflake

Languages: Python, TypeScript, Lua, SQL, JavaScript, C#, C++

# **EXPERIENCE**

Data Analyst | Data Science & Engineering, M Science, Jefferies Bank June 2021 - Present

- Develop fast & scalable Databricks/PySpark economic data categorization pipelines
- Build & present **Tableau** dashboards for pipeline performance analytics & business cost insights
- Investigate & implement AWS/Spark optimizations to boost task efficiencies by as much as 90%

# Quantitative Research Intern, Wasatch Global Investors

Jan 2020 - May 2021

- Designed statistical allocation models to market and boost performance of investment portfolios
- Created experiments in Python to adapt network and spectrum analyses to financial forecasting
- Developed a Python/SQL data pipeline to ease and automate collection of financial data

Dev Ops Research Intern, Utah Center for High-Performance Computing

Mar 2019 - Feb 2020

- Built a **Kubernetes/Docker** platform to simplify deployment of science apps on distributed systems
- Researched the use of Foreman build/deploy systems to remotely structure new server cluster pools

Center Director, Mathnasium of Utah

Apr 2018 - Nov 2018

Programming Instructor, University of Utah

May 2018 - July 2018

# **PROJECTS**

#### PointyPal: A Better Online Campus

2020

- Built a class management app to provide students a better online experience through COVID-19
- Created and moderated a virtual campus for 600+ students to test application prior to opening source
- Conducted A/B testing to polish user experiences, resulting in peak growth rates of 100 users/mo

#### Beethoven, 2nd Place out of 30 teams

HackTheU 2019

- Designed a closed captioning and audio transcription service for deaf and hard-of-hearing students
- Built a peer-to-peer text & audio streaming TypeScript app using Node.js & React

Robloxaville 2018

- Remastered a popular Lua game on the ROBLOX platform, supporting both PC & mobile gameplay
- Engineered project to patch security flaws and emphasize project maintainability and scalability
- Managed series of contract work jobs to create similar design features for varied development projects

# Genomic Data Science Tutoring, University of Utah

2017

- Organized & lead a free **Python** tutoring group for a graduate genetic anthropology course
- Utilized stochastic learning frameworks to help students understand large genetic systems & data