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## EDUCATION

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University of Utah

August 2022

*Bachelors of Science / Quantitative Analysis of Markets & Organizations*

*Minor / Computer Science*

**Key Skills:** [Data Analytics](#) | [Data Visualization](#) | [Software Development](#) | [Data Structures](#) | [Algorithms](#)

**Software:** Databricks | Kubernetes | Docker | Tableau | Apache Spark | Snowflake | AWS | Linux

**Languages:** [Python](#) | [TypeScript](#) | SQL | Java | Bash/Shell | Lua | C#

## EXPERIENCE

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**Senior Data Analyst**, *M Science ♦ Jefferies Bank*

June 2021 - Present

- Develop fast & scalable **PySpark** ETL pipelines for petabyte-scale economic data
- Investigate & implement **AWS** and **Spark** optimizations to reduce ETL job costs by as much as 90%
- Design cluster profiling frameworks to assess compute inefficiency & propose infrastructure solutions
- Build & present **Tableau** dashboards for pipeline performance analytics & business cost insights

**Quantitative Research Intern**, *Wasatch Global Investors*

Jan 2020 - May 2021

- Researched portfolio allocation models to fine-tune performance of multi-billion dollar portfolios
- Developed **Python/SQL** pipelines to ease and automate collection & aggregation of financial data
- Created experiments in **Python** to adapt network and spectrum analyses to detect asset alpha signals

**Network Research Intern**, *Utah Center for High-Performance Computing*

Mar 2019 - Jan 2020

- Built a **Kubernetes/Docker** platform to simplify large-scale distributed scientific app deployments
- Constructed & wrote project documentation site in **React.js** to polish appearance for NSF grants

## INDEPENDENT PROJECTS

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**PointyPal: A Better Online Campus**

2020-2021

- 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 with 8M+ unique plays on the ROBLOX gaming CDN platform
- Engineered project to patch security vulnerabilities and emphasize project maintenance and scalability

## LEADERSHIP

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**VP of Education → President**, *Utah Chapter of Triangle Engineering*

2019 - 2021

- Created online infrastructure to balance member needs and community safety during COVID-19
- Redesigned governing organization to provide a better environment for org growth & self-governance

**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

*References available by request*

*Full Résumé*