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EDUCATION

Emory University

2021 - Present

Ph.D. in Biostatistics & Bioinformatics

Montana State University

2017 - 2019

M.S. in Statistics

University of California, Santa Cruz

2011 - 2015

Bachelor of Arts, Economics & Mathematics With Honors Bachelor of Arts, Film & Digital Media With Honors

Research Interests Bayesian computation, spatio-temporal statistics, probabilistic machine learning & deep learning, with applications in environmental health and infectious disease.

Publications

- 1. W. Madden, M. Qi, Y. Liu, and H. Chang, "ensembleDownscaleR: R Package for Bayesian Ensemble Averaging of PM2.5 Geostatistical Downscalers," *Remote Sensing*, 2025, Accepted for publication, Accepted for publication.
- 2. **W. G. Madden**, W. Jin, B. Lopman, A. Zufle, B. Dalziel, C. J. E. Metcalf, B. T. Grenfell, and M. S. Y. Lau, "Deep neural networks for endemic measles dynamics: Comparative analysis and integration with mechanistic models," *PLoS Computational Biology*, vol. 20, no. 11, e1012616, Nov. 2024, Full Paper.
- 3. J. Lagergren, M. Ruiz-Aravena, D. J. Becker, *et al.*, "Environmental and ecological signals predict periods of nutritional stress for eastern australian flying fox populations," *bioRxiv*, 2023, Under Review.
- 4. P. Eby, A. Peel, A. Hoegh, **W. Madden**, J. Giles, P. Hudson, and R. Plowright, "Pathogen spillover driven by rapid changes in bat ecology," *Nature*, pp. 1–3, Nov. 2022, Full Paper.
- 5. D. J. Becker, P. Eby, **W. Madden**, A. J. Peel, and R. K. Plowright, "Ecological conditions predict the intensity of hendra virus excretion over space and time from bat reservoir hosts," *Ecology Letters*, Oct. 2022, Full Paper.
- 6. M. S. Y. Lau, A. Becker, W. Madden, L. A. Waller, C. J. E. Metcalf, and B. T. Grenfell, "Comparing and linking machine learning and semi-mechanistic models for the predictability of endemic measles dynamics," *PLOS Computational Biology*, vol. 18, no. 9, pp. 1–14, Sep. 2022, Full Paper.
- 7. M. D. Cherne, A. B. Gentry, A. Nemudraia, *et al.*, "Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 is detected in the gastrointestinal tract of asymptomatic endoscopy patients but is unlikely to pose a significant risk to healthcare personnel," *Gastro Hep Advances*, vol. 1, no. 5, pp. 844–852, 2022, Full Paper.
- 8. A. Hoegh, A. Peel, **W. Madden**, M. Ruiz-Aravena, A. Morris, A. Washburne, and R. Plowright, "Estimating viral prevalence with data fusion for adaptive two-phase pooled sampling," *Ecology and Evolution*, vol. 11, Sep. 2021, Full Paper.
- 9. W. Rogers, M. Ruiz-Aravena, D. Hansen, *et al.*, "High-frequency screening combined with diagnostic testing for control of sars-cov-2 in high-density settings: An economic evaluation of resources allocation for public health benefit," *medRxiv*, 2021, Under Review.

Invited Presentations

Mechanism-Integrated Machine Learning for Infectious Disease Dynamics Prediction Oct 2024 High Meadows Environmental Institute Workshop

On the Accuracy (and Niceness) of Prediction: from Epidemics to Climate and Weather Princeton, NJ

Machine Learning Approaches for Epidemic Modeling Princeton Serology Conference Princeton, NJ Mar 2023

Compartmental Models: Deterministic & Bayesian Approaches

Nov 2020

Rocky Mountain Data Science

Bozeman, MT

R Studio in Action - DataFest

Montana ASA Chapter Meeting

Bozeman, MT

Contributed

Neural Network Reveals Gravitational Coupling of Endemic Measles Dynamics

Talks & Epidemics 9 [Poster]
Posters Bologna, Italy

Bias-Correcting Daily Satellite-Retrieved AOD for Air Quality Research

Sep 2023

Mar 2024

Oct 2018

Dec 2023

EnviBayes Workshop [Poster]

Fort Collins, CO

Invited Panels

Machine Learning Panel CIDMATH Retreat

Atlanta, GA

Professional Experience

Los Alamos National Laboratory

Applied Machine Learning Research Fellow

Los Alamos, NM

May 2024 - Aug 2024

- Developed deep learning methods for high energy density experiments.
- Designed and implemented PyTorch model fitting pipelines for use on high performance computing clusters.

Bozeman Disease Ecology Lab

Bozeman, MT

Statistician

Jan 2019 – Jul 2021

- Researched spatio-temporal data integration techniques for viral surveillance and prediction.
- Provided statistics & machine learning consulting for international team of scientists.
- Developed R packages to automate routine statistical analysis, visualization, and wrangling.
- Designed and implemented SQL database and data pipelines, ensuring data quality and access.

Weyerhaeuser

Seattle, WA

Statistics Intern

May 2018 – Aug 2018

- Implemented machine learning models aimed at lowering defects in industrial processes, after diagnosing issues through exploratory visualization and analyses.
- Formulated mixed-model experimental designs.
- Developed Shiny web applications to automate data cleaning/wrangling workflows.

Accenture Sacramento, CA
Analyst Jul 2016 – Apr 2017

• Improved loan approval processes through analysis of credit profiles.

CONSULTING &

Collaborator

Aug 2018 – Dec 2018

COLLABORATION EXPERIENCE

Statistical Consulting And Research Services (SCRS)

Department of Mathematical Sciences, Montana State University

Volunteer Jan 2018 – Apr 2018

Statistics Without Borders (SWB)

Under direction of Dr. Nicole Carnegie, Montana State University

TEACHING Summer 2024 Teaching Assistant Introduction to Machine Learning for ID Modeling Summer Institute in Statistics and Modeling in Infectious Diseases, Emory University Instructor, Creator Spring 2023 - Fall 2024 Neural Networks with PyTorch Tutorial Department of Biostatistics and Bioinformatics, Emory University Teaching Assistant Fall 2022 - Spring 2024 INFO 534 - Applied Machine Learning Department of Biostatistics and Bioinformatics, Emory University Fall 2017 - Fall 2018 Instructor MATH 105 - Contemporary Mathematics Department of Mathematical Sciences, Montana State University Patel-Naik Award (2nd Place), Emory University **Awards** Dec 2023 Outstanding Graduate Student Award, Montana State University May 2019 Excellence in Data Visualization, ASA Data Fest - Montana State University Apr 2018 SERVICE Emory BIOS Student Council, Pre-quals Representative Spring 2022 – Present Georgia Statistics Day 2024, Student Volunteer Oct 25th, 2024

American Statistical Association Student Chapter at Montana State, Treasurer

Membership American Statistical Association

Georgia Statistics Day 2021, Student Volunteer

Bozeman Environmental Statistics Group, Member

Oct 11th, 2021 2019 – 2021

2018 - 2019