# Alexander Larsen

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#### **OBJECTIVE**

I am a programmer with an extensive background in biology looking for a full time position in bioinformatics.

#### **SOFTWARE**

**Python Proficient** R programming **Proficient** 

- Sequence assembly program using next generation sequencing reads (NGS).
- Clustering phylogenetic trees and genes and computing rate of mutation and pairwise sequence score.
- Identifying coding, non-coding and regulatory regions, comparing them to other known genes.
- Familiar with machine learning in neural networks, constraint problems, and Bayesian networks.

Basic experience through classes.

Linux **Proficient** 

Basic terminal use, file editing, comfortable with using as primary OS.

Html / CSS Introductory

Website design and formatting.

Bash / Vim / Regex Introductory

Constructed basic scripts in Bash and python with Vim. Used regex for classes and personal use.

#### **EXPERIENCE**

### **Undergraduate Researcher**

University of Wisconsin Madison

Apr 2013 - May 2016

Madison, WI

- Assisted research lab characterizing circadian rhythm genes and their temporal effect on long term memory formation in drosophila. Particular effort towards the quality control of data and samples.
- Utilized histograms and frequency distributions to show DNA, RNA, and protein expression results.
- Additional capstone projects characterizing zebrafish embryonic development, crayfish nerve reading frequencies, and rat hippocampal electrical activity. Cross referencing BLAST and similar tools to reinforce findings.

Nanny and childcare

Self Employment

Laborer

Bruce Company Landscaping

**Assistant Piano Teacher** 

Nov 2015 - Aug 2016 Madison, WI

May 2015 - Aug 2015

Verona, WI

Sept 2010 - Mar 2011

De Pere, WI

## **EDUCATION**

## **B.S. Neurobiology**

Larsen Piano Studio

University of Wisconsin Madison

Sept 2012 - May 2016

Madison, WI

Graduated from a selective honors biology program which facilitated group directed research, scientific writing, and analysis. – UW Madison Biocore program.

**Bioinformatics** June 2017 - Apr 2018

Audited - UW Madison/MIT

De Pere, WI

- Graduate studies following UW Madison outlines for a certificate in bioinformatics.
- Statistics, bioinformatics I/II, algorithms/data structures, artificial intelligence. See github above for a portion of the projects.

#### OTHER PROJECTS

Foundations of Data Science: Computational Thinking Certificate BerklevX - edX

Mar 2018 - May 2018

De Pere. WI

Certification to verify data science skills. Python statistical inference and basic artificial intelligence.

**Budgeting** Aug 2016 - June 2017 US. Canada. Mexico Travel

Meticulous record keeping graphing expenditures to optimize costs based on time, geographical area, and food.

**Private Aviation License** 

Tailwind at Austin Straubel International Airport

Oct 2010 - Sept 2012

Green Bay, WI