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Objective Statement

Motivated graduate student pursuing a position to gain valuable experience in working with large-scale data problems as I progress through my career as a data analyst

Education

- University of Idaho (Present)
 - o Expected graduation date: Spring 2024
 - o Pursuing a M.S. in Statistical Science
 - o Cumulative GPA: 4.00
- University of Hawaii at Mānoa
 - o Graduated with a B.S. in Mathematics in July 2021
 - o Cumulative GPA: 3.93

Skills Summary

- Experience programming in Java, R, SAS, Python, and SQL
 - Took a graduate level course on Machine Learning in Python (CS 577)
 - o Took a course on programming in R and SAS (STAT 419)
- Experience collaborating with others on projects through Github
- Proficient in using Microsoft Office, Word, Excel, and PowerPoint

Experience

- IT Specialist Data Analyst at the Office of the Vice President for UH Community Colleges
 - o November 2023 Present
 - o Provided insights to support educational initiatives throughout the UHCC system
- Grader at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
 - o September 2018 April 2020
 - o Graded materials and created answer keys in Calculus IV and Differential Equations courses

Projects

- Hawai'i Promise Report 2023
 - Collaborated on this report sent to the Hawai'i State legislature to show the positive impact that this financial-need scholarship has had on its recipients in the past year
- Analysis of UHCC English 100 Placement Dashboard
 - Conducted an analysis on how various placement measures provided access and predicted success of students enrolled in the English 100 course throughout the UHCC system
- Gender Inequity in the Athletic Department at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
 - o In R, analyzed datasets from a compilation of UH's EADA reports from 2003-2018
- Fashion MNIST Classification Using Convolutional Neural Networks
 - In Python, trained a model using a convolutional neural network to classify ten different classes of clothing articles
- abc.mse R Package
 - Developed an R package that uses approximate Bayesian computation to find the posterior distribution of parameters from three given distributions
 - Package available for installation in a repository on Github

Relevant Certifications

• Google Data Analytics Certification - September 2023