

# Aaron Wenger

PH.D CANDIDATE

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*Detail-oriented and proactive job candidate with: 1) extensive experience collecting, processing, and analyzing numeric and textual data; 2) strong problem-solving and research skills; and 3) developed time and project management skills. Seeking temporary or short-term work while closing out degree work.*

## Education and Experience (by date)

### Western Michigan University

Kalamazoo, Michigan

#### PH.D. CANDIDATE IN SCIENCE EDUCATION

2017-present

- Designed and implemented data collection and processing procedures in two major projects
- Implemented safe data handling and data management practices
- Extensive experience with scripted software tools and Microsoft Office
- Independently set timelines, managed project activities, and initiated collaborations
- Independently learned R (a programming language for statistics and data analysis)
- Currently finishing degree work

#### GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT IN SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT (SAMPI)

2021-2023

- Corresponded with clients, both initial and followup contacts
- Coordinated project work via email and virtual meetings with several team members
- Collected, processed, and archived interview transcripts, survey data, and teacher observations
- Wrote internal and external reports summarizing findings
- Recorded time on task for billing, participated in internal collaborations

#### M.A. IN BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

2017-2021

- Collected, processed, and archived measurements and photos
- Kept records of project work and data collection activities

### Cornerstone University

Grand Rapids, Michigan

#### B.S. IN BIOLOGY-HEALTH SCIENCES

2011-2015

- Transferred over 200 pages of handwritten fieldnotes into excel spreadsheets in internship work
- Catalogued chemical supplies in laboratory assistantship

## Competencies

### GENERAL SKILLS

**Writing and Communication:** extensive experience writing technical documents, protocols, reports, and email memos for internal and external use

**Research and Problem-Solving:** substantial experience finding and implementing solutions to technical problems

**Project and Time Management:** substantial experience planning and organizing long- and short-term project work, and managing/recording time-on-task

**Collaboration and Teamwork:** substantial experience coordinating project work with colleagues

### GENERAL SOFTWARE TOOLS

**Microsoft Office Suite:** extensive experience with Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Outlook, and Teams

**WebEx and Zoom:** extensive experience collaborating with colleagues via these platforms

**Google Forms:** substantial experience in creating survey forms for data collection and processing results

### ADVANCED SOFTWARE TOOLS FOR DATA HANDLING AND ANALYSIS

**R:** substantial programming experience with R for data handling, processing, and analysis

**Git and GitHub:** substantial experience creating and managing projects using Git version control and the GitHub collaboration platform

**Analysis Pipeline Tools:** substantial experience implementing data analysis pipelines, automating the processing of raw, messy data to clean, useful data

**Excel VBA:** minor programming experience creating macros to process messy data from Google Forms