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RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

My passion in exploring human-centered application of language technologies has driven me to pursue research opportunities that lead to graduate studies in NLP and LLM. I am interested in research including decision-making, knowledge reasoning, machine translation, and speech synthesis. I aim to contribute to the development of linguistically and cognitively informed AI systems that enhance human-machine interaction.

EDUCATION

Vassar College <i>B.A. in Computer Science, minors in Statistics and History</i> <i>Expected Graduation: May 2026</i>	Aug. 2022 – Present <i>Poughkeepsie, NY</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Relevant Coursework: Analysis of Algorithms, Data Structures and Algorithms, Computer Organization, Theory of Computation, Linear Algebra, Calculus 3– Planned Coursework: Computational Linguistics, Data and its Discontents, Bayesian Statistics, Statistical Machine Learning	

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Summer Research Intern <i>Depositar Lab, Institute of Information Science, Academia Sinica</i>	May 2024 – Aug 2024 <i>Taipei, Taiwan</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Advisor: Dr. Tyng-Ruey Chuang– Area of Work: Data Analysis, Digital Preservation, Database Management, Research Data Management• Designed a reusable ETL pipeline for migrating the digital archive database, adhering to FAIR data principles, and documented the process as a comprehensive guideline for future use.• Conducted literature review on research data management plans, persistent identifier protocols, and open data policies, and summarized findings into a detailed analysis report.• Upgraded and maintained an outdated JavaScript web app to improve functionality and performance. Bundled as a ready-to-publish NPM package to support research tool dissemination.	

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Digital Systems Intern <i>Vassar College Library</i>	Sep 2024 – May 2025 <i>Poughkeepsie, NY</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Worked on automating metadata ingestion and digital media uploads for library archives, applying metadata standards to improve data quality and reproducibility.	
Summer IT Volunteer <i>Spring Sprouts Innovation for Social Services</i>	Jun 2023 – Jul 2023 <i>Taipei, Taiwan</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contributed to the development and maintenance of the NPO’s website infrastructure and conducted data-driven analysis to inform marketing strategies for fundraising initiatives.	

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Graphic Designer <i>Portrait Magazine</i>	Sep 2022 – May 2024 <i>Poughkeepsie, NY</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Led design discussions on article layout and visual presentation for Vassar’s semesterly Asian American Student Magazine, integrating principles of graphic design and audience engagement.	

RELATED PROJECTS

Live Forum Topic & Sentiment Analyzer	Apr 2025 - Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Engineered a full-stack research prototype that leverages a fine-tuned Chinese BERT model alongside custom keyword-extraction heuristics to categorize online forum posts into domain-specific classes (news, political discourse, off-topic) and visualize real-time community emotional trends.	

SKILLS

Natural Languages: Chinese(Mandarin):Native, English:Full Proficiency, French, Hokkien: Conversational
Programming Languages: Python, JavaScript, Java, SQL, C/C++ , Ocaml