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Education

Ph.D Sociology, University of Washington, 2023-present
Concentration in Social Statistics & Certificate in Demographic Methods

M.A. Economics, Syracuse University, 2017

B.A. Economics & History, University of Virginia, 2016

Peer-Reviewed Publications (+ denotes equal co-authorship)

Fan, S.+, **Visokay, A.**+, Hoffman, K., Salerno, S., Liu, L., Leek, J., & McCormick, H. T. 2024.
"From Narratives to Numbers: Quantifying Dissent Among Hawks and Doves." *Conference on Language Models*.
[doi:10.48550](https://doi.org/10.48550)

Peskoff, D., **Visokay, A.**, Schulhoff, S., Wachspress, B., Blinder, A. & Stewart, B. 2023.
"GPT Deciphering Fedspeak: Quantifying Dissent Among Hawks and Doves." *Findings of Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing*. [doi:10.18653](https://doi.org/10.18653)

Kunke, J. P.+, **Visokay, A.**+, & McCormick, H. T. 2023. *CHANCE*, American Statistical Association.
"Respondent-Driven Sampling: An Overview in the Context of Human Trafficking". [doi:10.1080](https://doi.org/10.1080)

Publications in Preparation

Visokay, A. "Randomized respondent driven sampling: a cellphone based approach"

Visokay, A., Hoffman, K., Salerno, S., Johfre, S., McCormick, H. T. "BMI predicts adiposity, but not well enough to learn about obesity".

Visokay, A.+, Hock, E.+ "Rashomon effect for social science".

Visokay, A., Saap, M. "Subjectivity biases in preference annotations for LLM alignment".

Funding and Research Grants

Graduate Research Grant. Supervisor: Nathalie Williams, Department of Sociology, UW. Summer 2024.	\$2000
Graduate Research Grant. Supervisor: Sasha Johfre, Department of Sociology, UW. Summer 2024.	\$2000
UW Azure Cloud Computing Credits Grant. UW eScience Institute. Winter 2023.	\$3000

Presentations

Invited Research Talks

Research lecture, UW eScience Institute, *Data Science Seminar*. 12 Nov 2024.

Research lecture, UW CSDE, *Computational Demography Working Group*. 06 Nov 2024.

Research lecture, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center, *Deep Learning Affinity Group*. 05 Nov 2024.

Guest speaker, US Census Bureau xD, *Intersection of ML and Social Science Series*. 10 July 2024.

Conference Presentations (application-based)

"Embracing Multiplicity in Uncertain Times: Doing Social Science with Rashomon Sets" with Eddie Hock. UW Responsibility in AI Systems & Experiences *Winter Exposition*. Poster Session. Seattle, WA. Winter 2025. *

planned

"BMI predicts adiposity, but not well enough to learn about obesity". Session on *Obesity, Behavior, and Novel Weight-Loss Medications*. Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, April 2025. * *planned*

"From Narratives to Numbers: Quantifying Dissent Among Hawks and Doves". Session on *Machine Learning Approaches in Mortality Research*. Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, April 2025. * *planned*

"Valid Inference Using Verbal Autopsy Narratives" with Shuxian Fan. Conference on Language Models. Poster Session. Philadelphia, PA. 07 Oct 2024.

"Valid Inference With Predictions From Narratives". 25th Anniversary Celebration. Poster Session. UW Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences. Seattle, WA. 16 May 2024.

Teaching & Mentorship

Graduate

CS&SS Math Camp, Instructor. Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences, Summer 2024

Undergraduate

SOC 110, *Survey of Sociology*, Teaching Assistant, University of Washington, Spring 2024

STAT 221, *Statistics for the Social Sciences*. Teaching Assistant. University of Washington. Fall, Winter 2023.

Mentor

Amy Wang (undergraduate student at the University of Washington)

Professional Service

Ad-hoc reviewing: *Sociological Methods & Research*

President, Graduate Student Association, UW Department of Sociology . 2024-2025 Academic Year.