Annie Y. Chen

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Data Analyst Experience

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE, Aug. 2020 - Aug. 2021 QUANTITATIVE SOCIAL SCIENCE, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE Research Fellow, Bright Line Watch

- Build pipeline to stream twitter data of U.S. state legislators and local government officials into SQL database on AWS RDS
- Wrangle web behavior data, run regressions, and produce data visualizations for project on the consumption of political extremist content on YouTube with Professor Brendan Nyhan and collaborators
- Help design an experiment investigating how changes in news feed algorithms influence engagement with untrustworthy content
- Analyze Americans' attitudes toward democracy and confidence in elections before and following the 2020 presidential election with a nationally representative survey panel
- Develop and deploy Shiny dashboard with interactive graphs
- Manage a team of undergraduate students on hand-coding tasks
- Provide administrative support for Bright Line Watch, including maintenance of the organization's website

RESEARCH ASSISTANT, Apr. 2019 - Aug. 2020 DEMOTIP LAB, PI: AARON ÉRLICH

CENTRE FOR THE STUDY OF DEMOCRATIC CITIZENSHIP

- Programmed conjoint survey experiments in Qualtrics with Javascript. Analyzed results of experiments fielded in Nigeria and Canada
- Ran Facebook advertising campaigns to survey hard-to-reach migrant
- Explored weighting and matching procedures to align demographic profile of sample to census or other nationally representative survey data
- Converted documents into machine-readable PDFs using OCR technology
- Conducted literature reviews and drafted research ethics board applications

CONTENT AND DATA RESEARCH INTERN, Jan. - Apr.

Center for Applied Community Engagement

- Researched case studies of civic participation utilizing online platforms; managed and published content for open source catalogue's (ParticipateDB) global digital engagement tools
- Processed data from CACE's 2018 Digital Engagement Census and led its social media campaign

Selected Projects & Publications

Political Extremism on YouTube

Exposure to Alternative and Extremist Content on YouTube (Feb. 2021)

Bright Line Watch

- American democracy at the start of the Biden presidency (Feb. 2021)
- A Democratic Stress Test The 2020 Election and Its Aftermath (Nov. 2020)
- American Democracy on the Eve of the 2020 Election (Oct. 2020)

NIGERIANS AT HOME AND ABROAD

• Discriminatory Immigration Bans Elicit Anti-Americanism in Targeted Communities: Evidence from Nigerian Migrants (Apr. 2020)

Technical Skills

Programming & Software

- R (i.e., tidyverse, Shiny)
- Python (i.e., pandas, selenium, bs4)
- Git and GitHub
- I have basic familiarity with: MySQL, Julia, Stata, Javascript, HTML

General competencies

- data visualization
- econometrics
- survey methods
- experimental design
- webscraping
- APIs
- NLP

Teaching

- Causal inference [materials]
- Math and R (p)refresher workshops
- Intro to quantitative methodology in Political Science

Awards and Distinctions

- SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarship (2018-2019) - \$17,500
- Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship Scholarship (2018) - \$2,500
- Woodsworth College Wilcox Travel Abroad Award (2016) - \$1,800
- International Course Module recipient (2016)
- Dean's List (2013-2017)

Languages

French (Professional working proficiency) Cantonese (Elementary proficiency)

Education

M.A. POLITICAL SCIENCE McGill University, GPA: 4.0/4.0 (2018-2020)

B.A. POLITICAL SCIENCE & CRIMINOLOGY University of Toronto, GPA: 3.8/4.0 (2013-2017)

Relevant Coursework

- Statistical Inference (Topics: Probability, Expectation and Variance, Asymptoic theorems, Properties of estimators, Methods of estimation, Hypothesis testing, Bayesian Inference)
- Introduction to Causal Inference (Topics: Matching, Synthetic control methods, Instrumental variables, Fixed effects, Difference-in-difference, Regression Discontinuity Design, Mediation)
- Quantitative Methods (Topics: Data transformation, Interactions, Simulation, Linear regression (assumptions, diagnostics, fixes), Logit/Probit and Linear Probability Model)
- General mathematics courses: Linear Algebra, Real Analysis

Learning!

- Bayesian statistics via Bayesian Data Analysis (Third Edition)
- Julia via Julia Programming Projects