

Blake Underwood

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EDUCATION

Iowa State University

August 2022 – December 2024

Bachelor of Science in Data Science - GPA 3.32

Minor of Economics

Grand View University

August 2020 – May 2022

Completed 60 credit hours

EXPERIENCE

Iowa State Institute for Design Research and Outreach

Aug 2024 - Present

Data Analyst

- Assisted in building a zoning guide of Iowa encompassing 330 cities zoning information.
- Collected data by analyzing the city's zoning ordinances and zoning maps.
- Geocoded non-spatial zoning maps into shapefiles in ArcGIS.

Iowa State University - Data Science for the Public Good

May 2024 – Aug 2024

Data Science Intern

- Conducted housing research for legislators funded by The Iowa Economic Development Authority.
- Investigated the impact of housing-related zoning regulations on the cost of owning a home.

Iowa State Tutoring

August 2023 - Present

Data Science Tutor

- Instructed fundamental topics in Data Science, Economics, and Statistics.
- Connected with and supported a diverse group of student athletes from around the world.

DoorDash

May 2020 - July 2023

Delivery Driver – Over 3,000 deliveries

PROJECTS

Iowa Zoning Guide Map

May 2024 – Present

- Collaborated on an interactive map displaying housing-related zoning regulations in Iowa cities.
- Collected and analyzed data on zoning law's relationship with housing in these cities.
- Provided insights into zoning's effect on housing affordability.

Housing Market Report

May 2024 - Present

- Assessed housing affordability trends and the current state of the Iowa housing market.
- Evaluated effects of factors like employment, commuting, and crime on housing affordability.
- Studied parameters such as supply and demand, mortgage rates, and homeownership rates.

Community Analysis Capstone

January 2024 – May 2024

- Conducted a socioeconomic analysis using data from the Bureau of Economic Analysis.
 - Studied institutions across Iowa using data from the State Historical Society of Iowa by creating interactive Tableau dashboards and written reports.
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SKILLS & OTHER

Skills: Python, R, SQL | Tableau, GGplot2, Matplotlib, ArcGIS | linear/logistic regression, decision trees

Certifications: Harvard CS50x (2022), MIT 6.00.1x (2022), Kaggle Advanced SQL (2024).

Conferences: Presented at the Iowa Technology and Geospatial Conference (2024).