Cora Allen-Savietta

Data Scientist & Software Developer

PhD-level data scientist with 8 years of experience leading statistical projects. Skilled in causal inference, machine learning, and statistical software development. I build useful statistical tools to answer real-world questions.

Experience

2018-03 -

Statistician and Developer

present

Department of Statistics, University of Wisconsin

• Building efficient, extendable software in **Julia** to reconstruct ancient evolutionary history from modern DNA. Combines efficient algorithms, novel search strategies, and efficient likelihood comparison

2018-02 -

Data Science Lead

2019-03

Department of Medicine, University of Wisconsin

• Delivered recommendations for improving program graduation rates using multivariate generalized linear mixed effects model analysis in **R**.

2016-05 -2018-12 Lead Data Analyst

Department of Epidemiology, University of Wisconsin

• Identified geographic disparities in cancer incidence and survival in a study of 26,000 women using generalized multivariate additive spatial models, missing data imputation, and smoothing in **R**.

2016-12 -

Data Science Lead

2017-12

Teaching Assistants Association

• Managed and led a team to develop a **Shiny** web application for largescale data management, mobile data entry, and statistical summaries

2012-06 -2015-08 **Epidemiology Researcher**

Harvard Medical School & Brigham and Women's Hospital

- Extracted data-driven insights about prescription drug safety from large nationwide Medicare data using **causal inference**
- Presented results to stakeholders using **Tableau**
- Led a team of 5 researchers to complete clinical trial data collection and analysis with $\boldsymbol{\mathsf{R}}$

Teaching and Mentoring Experience

2018-09 -

Computational Tools for Data Analytics

2018-12

- Taught 42 graduate students Bash scripting, Python, & Julia as a teaching assistant.
- Mentored students individually and in small groups through pair programming and **GitHub** code review.

2016-01 -

Undergraduate & Graduate Student Mentoring

2018-05

- Mentored 6 Statistics undergraduates in preparing honors thesis projects.
- Tutored 7 undergraduates and graduate students in Statistics courses.

2015-09 -

Introduction to Biostatistics

2015-12

• Taught 40 Masters of Public Health students research design, statistical inference, and regression as a teaching assistant.

Personal Info

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GitHub

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Skills

Julia

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R

Python

Git

SQL

Bash

Tableau

Education

PhD Statistics University of

Wisconsin

expected December 2020

BA Psychology Oberlin

College

high honors

Awards

2020-08

Institute for Foundations of Data Science Research Support

2017-07

National Institutes of Health Data Science Traineeship

2015-09

National Institutes of Health Biostatistics Traineeship