# **Daniel Palamarchuk**

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## Education Master of Science in Computer Science

2022-May 2024

VIRGINIA TECH - BLACKSBURG, VA - SANGHANI CENTER FOR AI & DATA ANALYTICS

3.96 GPA - Finalist for 2024 Torgersen Graduate Student Research Excellence Award - Thesis: Temporal Topic Embeddings with a Compass

# **Dual Bachelor Degrees in Data Analytics and Computer Science**

2019-May 2023

VIRGINIA TECH - BLACKSBURG, VA - COLLEGES OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

3.72 GPA - VT Outstanding CMDA Senior - Deans List 2019 to 2023 - Minors in Political Science, Mathematics

#### Experience

#### **Graduate Research Assistant**

February 2023-Present

VIRGINIA TECH - BLACKSBURG, VA - SANGHANI CENTER FOR AI & DATA ANALYTICS

Under advisor Dr. Chris North (Computer Science):

- Created Temporal Topic Embeddings with a Compass (TTEC), a NLP method for dynamic topic modeling
  using temporal word2vec and doc2vec vectors and finding clusters in them (Python, Cython, Gensim)
- Created visualization methods combining dynamic topic modeling and dynamic word embeddings
- Scaled method to dataset of **5.5 million** documents to pinpoint corpus events and generate insight
- Performance matched transformer state of the art (BERTopic)
- Gave weekly presentations to team of six, including members from the Savannah Riven National Laboratory, on state of development
- First author of paper submitted to IEEE VIS 2024 describing TTEC and its resulting visualizations

### **Computer Science Teacher**

May 2023-Present

RUSSIAN SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS - HERNDON, VA

- Taught self-made 6-week game development course for grades 5-7 that used the PyGame package and taught object-oriented programming and logic flow
- Developed and taught 6-week introduction to **graph theory and social networks** class for grades 8-10 and introduction to linear algebra and **data analytics** class for grades 6-8, both of which utilized data science Python packages
- Developed and taught 6-week introduction to web development class in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript
- Developed course for IOWA test preparation for 50 students
- Filed accounting for school and regional expenses

#### **Undergraduate Research Assistant**

November 2021-May 2023

VIRGINIA TECH - BLACKSBURG, VA

Under Dr. Andy Scerri (Political Science) and Dr. Christian Lucero (Data Science):

- Analyzed Virginia state environmental bill, educational bill, and donation data using classical statistical methods, including linear regression, chi squared tests, and community detection
- Discovered trends that affected passage rates of bills in committees and in general
- Created and published a web dashboard using R and the flexdashboard package to visualize findings
- Collaborated with professors and students across the political science and data science departments to satisfy the qualitative and quantitative needs of both
- Co-authored journal paper on findings (under review)

Math Teacher 2019-May 2023

RUSSIAN SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS - RESTON AND HERNDON, VA

- Substituted high school geometry, middle school algebra, and elementary school arithmetic
- Taught courses on math competition preparation, preparation for the IOWA test, introduction to HTML
   & JavaScript, and introduction to Python
- · Conducted expense accounting for the entire school

**Senior Tutor** 2015-2019

RUSSIAN SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS - WINCHESTER, MA AND RESTON, VA

- Tutored kids ranging K-12 in: geometry, algebra and math team preparation
- Printed assignments for teachers leading up to class

Honors	VT Outstanding CMDA Senior award
	177 (140.40)

VT CMDA Research Grant (\$1000)

Dean's List Math Contest in Modeling (MCM) Meritorious Winner

VT CMDA Research Grant (\$1500)

March 2023 January 2023 2019-2023 February 2022

January 2022

#### Conferences

**Palamarchuk, D.**, Williams, L., Mayer, B., Danielson, T., Faust, R., Deschaine, L., North, C., (Oct. 2024). "Visualizing Temporal Topic Embeddings with a Compass." In: IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics. DOI: 10.1109/TVCG.2024.3456143.

Scerri, A., Bromley-Trujilo, R., Hao, F., Alexander, A., Lucero, C., **Palamarchuk, D.**, Paragas, S., (May 2023). "Who influences climate and energy policy in VA?" In: State Politics and Policy Conference 2023.

Mukora, V. K., Gillespie, J., **Palamarchuk, D.,** (Jan. 2023). "Two Time Participants' Reflection on MCM." In: Joint Mathematics Meetings. Boston, MA.

Paragas, S., **Palamarchuk, D.**, Scerri, A., Lucero, C., Alexander, A., (Oct. 2022). "Using Network Analysis to Study Relationships in Climate and Energy Legislation." In: 2022 SACNAS National Diversity in STEM Conference.

Skills

Computer Languages: Python, R, C, Java, cython, Matlab, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Lua

Tools: MySQL, sqlite, networkx, TensorFlow, Numpy, Tidyverse, Pandas, flexdashboard, plotly, d3, GIT, I&TEX,

Linux, vim, OpenMP, MPI, PyGame

Spoken Languages: English (native), Russian (native), Spanish (proficient)