# Hansen Zhang

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#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

# UW Office of Minority Affairs and Diversity Instructional Center

Nov. 2024 - Current

Math & Statistics Tutor

Seattle, WA

Tutor subjects such as statistics, probability theory, calculus and linear algebra

## University of Washington - Department of Statistics

Sept. 2024 - Dec. 2024

STAT 303 Grader

Seattle, WA

Grade assignments and provide feedback to students in order to help their persuasive writing skill

# University of Washington - Department of Statistics

Sept. 2024 - June 2025

Peer Mentor

Seattle, WA

Provide mentorship, guidance and advice to first year direct admit mentees in the Statistics major

#### Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center - McCrone Lab

Aug. 2024 - Current

Undergraduate Intern

Seattle, WA

Using phylodynamic and phylogenetic techniques to study virus evolution

## Kumon North America, Inc.

June 2022 - Sep. 2022

Teaching Assistant

Austin, TX

- Tutoring K-12
- Graded papers and assisted with basic math, writing and reading skills

## **Book People Internship**

Mar. 2019 - Apr. 2019

Intern

Austin, TX

Engaged with customers, assisted with sales, shelving, receiving, marketing and accounting

#### **EDUCATION**

#### University of Washington

June 2025

BS, Major in Statistics with Honors, Minor in Math

Seattle, WA

- Dean's List all academic quarters; 3.85/4.0 GPA
- Co-president of Tzu-Ching Collegiate Association (TCCA), a volunteering and charity student organization. We are a collegiate branch of the international humanitarian organization, Tzu Chi foundation.
- Activities include: annual VeggieFest (~230 attendees in 2023), Ronald McDonald House meal prep, homeless
  distributions at Union Gospel Mission, hosting vegetarian dinners, spreading awareness of environmental
  degradation and sustainability practices etc.
- Calisthenics club executive team

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

#### Undergraduate Thesis - UW Statistics Department

June 2024 - May 2025

Undergraduate Researcher

University of Washington

- Advisor: Dr. Thomas Richardson
- Investigate the variation dependence between relative risk, risk difference, and baseline risk, and explore how it complicates model formulation. Study the proposed conditional log odds-product as a preferred nuisance model and understand how it resolves issues related to variation dependence.
- Conduct simulation studies to illustrate the proposed methods and validate their effectiveness. Use the R package brm available on CRAN to implement the proposed methods.

# Statistics & Probability Association Directed Reading Program

Spring Quarter 2024

Undergraduate Researcher

University of Washington

- Studied optimization techniques in multiple regression and statistical learning, such as variable selection by Ridge and LASSO
- Authored a paper on a comparison of methods of statistical inference for regression coefficients using data thinning via convolution and traditional data splitting

# Statistics & Probability Association Directed Reading Program

Winter Quarter 2024

Undergraduate Researcher

University of Washington

Independently studied the topics of random matrix theory, free probability and the semicircle law with mentorship from a UW Statistics PhD student (Ethan Ancell)

#### **CONFERENCES**

# Tzu-Ching Collegiate Association (TCCA) Leadership Conference

August 2023

• Presented project for a climate hackathon to judges and 60+ staff and attendees

San Dimas, CA

Attended classes and workshops on leadership skills

#### **AWARDS**

- Purple & Gold Scholarship
- Academic Achievement Award Statistics Honors

# **CERTIFICATIONS, SKILLS & INTERESTS**

•	Introduction to Genomic Technologies (Johns Hopkins), Issuer - Coursera	June 2024
	Python for Genomic Data Science (Johns Hopkins), Issuer - Coursera	July 2024
	Algorithms for DNA Sequencing (Johns Hopkins), Issuer - Coursera	July 2024

- Programming Languages
  - o R
  - o Python
  - o LaTeX
- Skills: conflict resolution amongst club executives, public speaking, rigorous problem-solving & proof writing
- Interests: Cooking, movement and fitness, mathematics, biology, kinesiology, physiology, psychology, neuroscience, reading, writing, philosophy, self-help, language-learning, mentoring
- Languages: English (native), Mandarin (intermediate)