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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, Biostatistics
Brown University, Providence, RI, Expected 2022

Master of Science, Statistics
University of Massachusetts Amherst, Amherst, MA, 2017

Bachelor of Arts, Mathematics
Smith College, Northampton, MA, 2014
Minor: East Asian Language & Literature

RESEARCH

Research Assistant Summer 2018 - Present
Advisor: Dr. Lorin Crawford
Brown University, Department of Biostatistics, Providence, RI

- Developed paradigm for performing analysis of explained variance using Gaussian processes.
- Extended a variable importance measure for Bayesian non-parametric models to the deep learning setting.

Research Assistant Fall 2017
Advisor: Dr. Roee Gutman
Brown University, Department of Biostatistics, Providence, RI

- Performed propensity score analysis on observational study of post-motor vehicle collision emergency department visits to identify causal link between receiving opioids and continued drug dependence.
- Designed and implemented sensitivity analyses to determine robustness of results under confounding.
- Restructured code base to facilitate collaboration and support reproducibility.

Summer Undergraduate Research Fellow Summer 2013
Advisor: Dr. P. Jonathon Phillips
National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD

- Analyzed performance of face recognition technologies in point-and-shoot video using 1.8 million frame-by-frame between-video similarity scores and metadata.

Research Assistant Spring 2013 - Fall 2013
Advisor: Dr. Nick Horton
Smith College, Northampton, MA

- Coauthored instructor's guide with code addendum for STatistics Education Web (STEW), the American Statistical Association's online resource for peer-reviewed K-12 lesson plans.

INDUSTRY

Junior Data Scientist 2014 - 2017
MassMutual Financial Group, Amherst, MA

- Modeled likelihood to purchase life insurance in order to maximize return on direct mail advertisements.
- Operationalized customer service outreach program by constructing a pipeline linking disparate databases to score and present calling policyholders in a web application.
- Revamped corporate spend accounting through a full stack construction that ingests employees' expensed charges into a multi-page interactive visualization.
- Customer subgroup identification using k-means clustering to inform targeted marketing campaigns.

TEACHING	<i>Grader</i> , Statistical Inference I, Brown University	FA 2019
	<i>Co-Instructor</i> , Biostatistics Bootcamp, Brown University	SU 2019
	<i>Teaching Assistant</i> , Bayesian Statistical Analysis, Brown University	SP 2019
	<i>Teaching Assistant</i> , Applied Statistics, Summer@Brown	SU 2018
	<i>Teaching Assistant</i> , Applied Generalized Linear Models, Brown University	SP 2018
	<i>Teaching Assistant</i> , General, Smith College	SP 2013 - SP 2014
	<i>Grader</i> , Introduction to Statistics, Smith College	SP 2013

PUBLICATIONS Ish-Horowicz, J., **Udwin, D.**, Flaxman, S., Filippi, S., Crawford, L. (2019) "Interpreting Deep Neural Networks Through Variable Importance." *arXiv*.

Baumer, B., **Udwin, D.** (2015) "R Markdown." *WIREs: Computational Statistics*.

Stoudt, S., Cao, Y., **Udwin, D.**, Horton, N.J. (2014) "What Percent of the Continental US is Within One Mile of a Road?" *STatistics Education Web*.

COMMUNITY SERVICE	<i>Diversity & Inclusion Committee</i>	2019 - Present
	Department of Biostatistics, Brown University, Providence, RI	
	<i>Grant Coordinator</i> , PRIDE Business Resource	2015-2017
	MassMutual Financial Group, Springfield, MA	
	<i>Consultant</i>	2015 - 2017 (Annual)
	Five College DataFest, Northampton, MA	
	<i>Tour Guide</i>	2013 - 2014
	Smith College, Northampton, MA	

TALKS	<i>Co-Instructor</i> , R Summer Workshop Series	Summer 2016
	Western Mass Statistics and Data Science Meet-Up	
	Graduate Researchers in Data (GRiD), University of Massachusetts, Amherst	
	Graduate Women in STEM (GWIS), University of Massachusetts, Amherst	
	Northampton, MA	
	<i>Guest Lecturer</i> , d3 and Crossfilter	2015
	Western Mass Statistics and Data Science Meet-Up, Northampton, MA	

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	<i>Best in Show</i> , Five College Datafest	2014
	<i>Honorable Mention</i> , Undergraduate Statistics Class Project Competition	2014
	<i>Successful Participant</i> , Mathematical Contest in Modeling	2013

**COMPUTER
SKILLS**

Languages & Software: R, Python, C++, SQL, Bash.

Visualization: HTML, CSS, JavaScript.

Big Data: Spark, HDFS, Vertica.

Workflow: Git, L^AT_EX.