# **Evan Simpson**

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## **Summary**

Data scientist focused on promoting data-informed decision making who is adept at explaining complex concepts to non-technical audiences. Lifelong learner who sees everyday as an opportunity to grow and share.

#### **Technical Skills**

**Python**: pandas, BeautifulSoup, scikit-learn, TensorFlow

**R**: dplyr, rvest, tmap, ggplot, forcats

**General**: git, Bash **Software:** SPSS, JMP

SQL

#### **Soft Skills**

Stakeholder Management, Presenting, Public Speaking, Delivering Training Sessions

### Experience

01/2020 - 04/2020

**Data Scientist**, Data Science Retreat, Berlin (Germany)

 Used machine learning (XGBoost, LSTM, computer vision) to identify the <u>maturity of a book</u> for recommendation purposes

09/2017 - 12/2019

**Assessment Solutions Consultant**, The British Council, Shanghai (China)

- Provided insights on the Chinese IELTS market by obtaining, cleaning, and conducting analysis on large data sets and communicating the results to stakeholders via presentations and reports
- Provided academic support to Marketing colleagues on stakeholder visits resulting in \$500,000 in increased sales
- Co-organized "AI October 2019"; a global week-long seminar designed to increase AI literacy of internal assessment and marketing teams
- Increased recognition of <u>East Asia Assessment Solutions Team</u>
   (<u>EAAST</u>) impact by creating and maintaining reporting pipeline for
   team members, writing reports for regional stakeholders, and
   delivering presentations to cross-functional teams

01/2017 - 08/2017

Language Assessment Consultant, The British Council, Shanghai (China)

• Delivered and marked IELTS speaking exams

07/2003 – 12/2016 **English Language Instructor**, Universities and Language Schools in Eight Countries

- Improved teaching and learning efficiency by creating curricula to meet stakeholder needs as measured by increased performance on assessments
- Improved teaching efficiency by designing and delivering teacher training insets on tools for blended learning such as Google Drive, <u>TurnItIn</u>, and <u>D2L</u>
- Improved teaching and learning efficiency by conducting classroom observations as measured by students' increased performance on assessments as well as teachers' ratings

# **Professional Development**

01/2020 - 04/2020	Data Science Retreat
	Completed 12 week intensive bootcamp on using Python, git, Bash, SQL,
	Docker, and AWS for machine learning.
05/2017 - 12/2019	<u>DataCamp</u>
	Completed courses on using R, Python, git, SQL, and Bash for machine
	learning, statistics, deep learning, identifying correlations, parameters
	optimization, and information retrieval
10/2016	University of Cambridge ESOL Exams, Hanoi (Vietnam)
	Certificate in English Language Teaching to Adults

# **Education**

08/2015 – 12/2016	Iowa State University, Ames (USA) PhD in Applied Linguistics and Technology (Did Not Finish) Area of Focus: Assessment, Statistics, and Natural Language Processing
08/2012 – 05/2014	University of Arizona, Tucson (USA) MA in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages Area of Focus: Curriculum Design and Educational Technology
08/2001 – 05/2003	Boise State University, Boise (USA) BA in English