

Hello! My name is Eric Zarycki, and I am currently a college senior at the University of South Florida, majoring in Computer and Information Sciences with a concentration in Data Science and Analytics.

My academic career started in 2019, where I attended Thomas Aquinas College to pursue a degree in the Liberal Arts. After two years of studying the great works, I transferred to the University of South Florida to pursue a degree in Information Science and Data Analysis. At USF, some of the courses I've taken include topics in data analysis, programming languages including R, SQL, and Python, as well as ethical practices in AI and cybersecurity. These classes have equipped me with a diverse technical skill set, and with my education from Thomas Aquinas College, have honed my soft skills.

In the past two years at USF, I've taken a variety of courses. My journey at USF started in Spring 2023 with an introduction into Programming Concepts with Java SE. This class, coupled with Information Policy and Ethics, expanded my technical repertoire while instilling ethical practices within information science. The fall semester of 2023 further enriched my academic education with courses like Object-Oriented Programming in C++, Information Behaviors, Advanced Statistics & Analytics, and Introduction to Data/Text Mining. These courses not only grew my technical skills but also gave me a better understanding of how individuals exhibit certain information behaviors. I'm extremely passionate about the topics taught in these classes and my academic performance has reflected this. My current GPA at USF is 3.75, while my cumulative GPA is 3.0.

Currently, in the Spring 2024 semester, I am taking these courses: Professional Writing, Visual Analytics, R Programming, Predictive Analytics, and the BSIS Senior Capstone. These courses

will deepen my understanding of visual analytics, advanced programming languages like R, and predictive analytics.

Work and volunteer experiences have also been a critical part of my professional journey the past four years. As a Marketing Analytics Intern at IBM, I utilized data sets to identify customer segments and aligned marketing strategies with precise insights. At Chewy, as a Business Analytics Intern, I created dashboards for visualizing widget metrics and translated complex data into user-friendly visualizations. My role as a Network Switch Installer at Virtual Service Operations was instrumental in growing my knowledge as an IT professional, as I helped ensure reliable network connectivity and efficient data transfer when installing network equipment. Beyond these professional experiences, I've also worked hard in volunteer experiences. As a current T.E.A.M Student Mentor at the University of South Florida, I guide transfer students in their academic and social goals. In my volunteer experience for Girls in Tech, Inc., I actively engaged in code review sessions during a hackathon and interacted with participants.

Thank you so much for taking a look at my portfolio. I encourage you to explore around my website to see a full list of my academic achievements, professional accomplishments, and volunteer experiences. I also have included a spot where my CV can be easily downloaded for your convenience. As I continue on with my academic and professional career, I look forward to contributing my skills to the field of data science and analytics and networking with like-minded individuals (like yourself).