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# **Summary**

**Leadership:** 5+ years leading advanced analytics projects (PhD, MS): staffing, planning, executive communication, coaching, feedback; business consulting and project management for data-driven projects at Fortune 50 companies

**Business and Economics:** 10+ years solving some of the most complicated business questions in the entertainment and technology industries including digital marketing optimization, marketing mix modeling, and web measurement

**Data Science:** 10+ years of business insights from econometrics, machine learning, text mining, and optimization algorithms using a variety of cutting edge programming languages: R, Python, Amazon Machine Learning

**Data Engineering:** 7+ years of data engineering on large datasets in multiple formats including CSV, JSON, XML, HTML, and unstructured data (e.g. text) using: SQL, Spark, Google BigQuery, and Amazon Web Services

## **Experience**

#### **Director of Business Analytics & Research**

NBCUniversal [Jan. 2016 - Present]

- Leading team of analytics managers and analysts using R, Python and SQL with backgrounds in mathematics and business
- Hands-on application of statistics, econometrics, modeling, and machine learning algorithms to complex digital business problems
- Budgetary responsibilities including capital expenditures, third party research projects (Ph.D. Economists), and vendor management
- Championing a data-driven culture and driving long-term business value creation through best-in-class analytics capabilities
- · Cross-functional leadership across technology, ad sales, film distribution, marketing, finance, legal, and operations

# Managing Consultant (Analytics Manager) | Management Science & Integration

The Walt Disney Company [2012 - 2015]

- Promoted in less than a year due to exemplary analytics, business, and leadership skills (highest performance review rating)
- Lead digital marketing attribution project for ABC television from executive buy-in, analytical modeling, to communicating results
- Multichannel marketing optimization data scientist (Digital, Cable, OOH, Print, etc.) directly responsible for revenue in \$100s millions
- Managed multiple advanced analytics projects partnering with executives, technologists, and scientists (Ph.D. statisticians)
- Prepared analysis and PowerPoint for wide dissemination among senior leadership (CMO, CSO, EVPs, SVPs)

#### Senior Analyst | Corporate Brand Management

- Developed the department's first scientific measurement of Disney Channels impact on other divisions (e.g. film, cable, etc.)
- · Pioneered the use of econometrics to measure promotional uplift at Disney Stores resulting in incremental revenue gains
- Automated analysis of global consumer survey data by building efficient programming code (e.g., loops, control structures, etc.)

#### **Economic/Statistical Analyst**

Econ One Research [2011 - 2012]

- Programmatic data analysis using SAS and entrusted with Google HR data in large technology project resulting in \$400m+
- Statistical analysis of gaming data from EA sports including pricing, quantities sold, and influence of quality on revenue
- Analytics project on airline price collusion which included regression modeling of drivers of costs (fuel, demand, seasonality, etc.)

#### **Demand Planner/Predictive Modeler**

Pacific Sunwear [2010 - 2011]

- · Built first store level price elasticity models (1000+ models) using advanced econometrics to drive promotional strategy
- Improved product specific forecast accuracy by leveraging time series analysis which resulted in improved revenue allocation
- · Automated store segmentation process (k-Means) into the most cohesive groups to inform strategic price/product testing

#### **Research Assistant**

UCLA Anderson School of Management [2007 - 2009]

· Work-study under Professor Emeritus of finance, Fred Weston (mentor of Nobel Prize winning economists), on stock analysis

#### Education

#### M.A. Economics, Econometrics, Time Series Analysis

California State University, Fullerton – Mihaylo College of Business and Economics

- Financial accounting (MBA course)
- Regression and econometrics
- Advanced statistical forecasting

- Statistical programming (SAS, R)
- Mathematical economics
- Money and banking

## **B.S. Mathematics/Applied Science**

**UCLA** 

- Statistics and Probability
- Quantitative chemistry and biology
- Advanced multivariable calculus

- Engineering physics
- Astrophysics
- Computer programming (C++)

### **B.A. Economics**

**UCLA** 

- International finance
- Banking and financial market
- Optimization (linear programming)

- Probabilistic microeconomics
- Technology and economic growth
- Macroeconomic theory

# **Certifications & Trainings**

**Marketing Certificate** 

University of Pennsylvania - MOOC

**Digital Analytics for Marketing Professionals** 

University of Illinois

**Data Science & Executive Data Science Specialization** 

Johns Hopkins University – MOOC

**Google Cloud Big Data and Machine Learning** 

Google

**Disney High Potentials Leadership Program** 

Disney University & Harvard Mentor

**NBCUniversal JUMP Leadership Program** 

**NBCUniversal Talent Lab** 

**Disney Leadership Program** 

Disney University & Harvard Mentor

Advanced Tableau Data Visualization

Tableau

**Python Programming for Data Science** 

Microsoft – MOOC

Big Data Technology Fundamentals

Amazon Web Service

# **Volunteer Experiences**

## **Management Center's Industry Mentor Board**

UCLA Anderson School of Management [2017]

- Industry insights to MBA students focusing on technology
- Future growth opportunities for technology
- Current business applications of machine learning

## **Guest Lecturer | Econometrics**

UCLA Economics Department [2011 - 2016]

- Public speaking to 300+ students per year
- Entertainment economics lectures
- One-on-one mentoring with Sharpe Fellow

#### Director

## National Association of Business Economists

- Provided 50+ scholarships to top economics students
- Web traffic measurement of website

#### **Director of Finance**

Global Business Brigades

- ROI modeling of agricultural production in Honduras
- Accounting during non-profit certification