

# Michael Finlay Brown

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Academic	<b>London School of Economics</b> <span>2019 - 2020</span> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>MSc Data Science (Distinction):</b> Modules include Machine Learning and Data Mining, Managing and Visualising Data, Deep Learning and AI, Distributed Computing for Big Data, Bayesian Machine Learning</li><li>• Dissertation investigating ML applications of sensory data from mobile phones in partnership with Alpha Telefónica</li><li>• Other projects include implementing a distributed algorithm for Neural Word Embeddings, exploring and implementing Convolutional Neural Network visualisation techniques</li></ul>
	<b>University College London</b> <span>2015 - 2018</span> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>BSc Statistics, Economics and Finance (1st Class Honours):</b> Study focused on statistical estimation, modelling, practical data methods and stochastic financial pricing</li><li>• Awarded a place on 2018 Mathematical and Physical Sciences Dean's List (given to only a few students each year)</li></ul>
	<b>The Perse School, Cambridge</b> <span>2007 - 2014</span> <p><b>A-Level:</b> A* Maths, A* Further Maths, D1 Physics Cambridge Pre-U (A*+ equivalent), B Economics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>GCSE:</b> 9 A*s, 1 A (including French, Spanish and Art)</li></ul>
Experience	<b>Consilium Scientific</b> <span>Sep 2020</span> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Data Scientist overseeing full data lifecycle (acquisition, cleaning, analysis and visualisation) for academic medical research company (part-time; ongoing)</li></ul>
	<b>Point72 Asset Management</b> <span>Jun 2017</span> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Six weeks paid internship in an equities long/short team</li><li>• Worked as Data Analyst for a project aimed at incorporating novel data streams into the investment process</li></ul>
	<b>Cantab Capital Partners LLP</b> <span>Jun 2016</span> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Six weeks paid internship in the quantitative science team</li><li>• Modified a strategy to accommodate an expanded asset universe and analysed performance, worked with tech team to integrate new asset classes into the existing infrastructure</li></ul>
	<b>Cantab Capital Partners LLP</b> <span>Jan – May 2015</span> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Five months paid internship in the quantitative science team</li><li>• Researched and introduced a new wave of assets, sourced and cleaned historical data for back-testing</li><li>• Co-authored an internal research paper on a strategy for trading illiquid assets and then implemented the strategy</li></ul>
Awards & Achievements	Mathematical and Physical Sciences Dean's List 2018 <span>2018</span>
	The Perse School Scholarship for Economics <span>2012-2014</span>
Skills	<p><b>Python:</b> Expert; skill developed over 6 years in academia and industry.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Data Analysis:</b> Strong knowledge of sci-kit learn, experience delivering projects with TensorFlow and Keras</li><li>• <b>Visualisation:</b> Strong knowledge of packages Matplotlib, Seaborn and interactive geographical maps with Folium</li></ul> <p><b>R:</b> Advanced; university-taught over multiple years with external experience whilst volunteering.</p> <p><b>Databases and Distributed Computing:</b> Experience at university backed by various projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>SQL and NoSQL:</b> Good knowledge of SQL and experience with NoSQL (MongoDB)</li><li>• <b>Spark and Hadoop:</b> Experience using PySpark on Google Cloud, SparkSQL and GraphX; running MapReduce computations in Hadoop and PySpark, HDFS and Hive</li></ul>
Extracurricular & Interests	<p><b>Volunteering:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Salisbury World:</b> currently mentor and teach A-Level maths to refugees living in London</li><li>• <b>UCL Transitions Mentor Scheme:</b> provided academic and social mentorship to 12 first year students</li><li>• <b>Hounslow Action for Youth:</b> worked alone as an independent data advisor to help secure charity funding</li></ul> <p><b>AI Art:</b> I have recently begun a personal project to develop novel digital art using GAN deep learning architectures.</p> <p><b>Travelling:</b> Passionate traveller; visited Vietnam by train via Russia, Mongolia and China; enjoyed a 2-month road trip to USA; have undertaken hiking expeditions in Romania and the Caucasus; worked in Canada for 6 months.</p>