# Jacob C. Dichter

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#### **PROFILE**

Data scientist and analyst with expertise in Business Intelligence (BI) tools, predictive modeling, and scalable data pipelines. Proficient in Power BI, SQL, and Python, with a proven track record of building informational dashboards, managing data ecosystems, learning new technologies, and leading research project initiatives.

#### **EDUCATION**

## M.S. Computer Science, Concentration in Data Science, University of Bridgeport

Bridgeport, CT

Sept 2024 | GPA: 4.0, Honors Award, 11th national finish in CME Trading Competition, YTIE Honor Society

- Relevant coursework: Data Mining, Database Design, Python for Data, Deep Learning, Cloud Computing
- *M.S. Thesis*: Developed a machine learning-driven geospatial tract prediction model for Connecticut, integrating SQL, Python, and Power BI to analyze 15+ socioeconomic dimensions to identify socioeconomic hotspots.

#### B.S. Political Science, Minor in Statistics, George Washington University

Washington, D.C.

May 2019 | GPA: 3.9, Statistics minor, summa cum laude, Pi Sigma Alpha (ΠΣΑ) Honor Society

• Relevant coursework: Regression Analysis, Time Series Methods, Econometrics, Statistical Computing

### **PROJECTS**

### "U.S. State Exports Insight Dashboard" | SQL Server, Power BI, APIs, Python

- Designed and deployed a dynamic dashboard using Power BI, SQL Server, and DAX to visualize U.S. trade patterns, generating trade economic insights highlighting trade patterns and key metrics
- Integrated U.S. Census API & state economic data to generate insights highlighting trade patterns across regions.
- Populated SQL Server database with 2.1M-row master table across 100 tables with dynamic SQL queries

## "Modeling Socioeconomic Ascent in Connecticut Census Tracts" | Python, geospatial, SQL, Machine Learning

- Applied machine learning (random forest) in Python to predict socioeconomic ascent in Connecticut census tracts. Compared outputs to traditional regression approaches, showing 14% increase in R<sup>2</sup> and generated 2028 forecasts.
- Implemented spatial crosswalk of 884 census tracts to solve modifiable areal problem for inter-year analysis

#### EXPERIENCE

### Graduate Teaching Assistant – Python for Data Science, University of Bridgeport

January 2023 – December 2023

Bridgeport, CT

- Supported 150+ students for Professor Sarosh Patel's Python for Data Science (CPSC 442) course
- Mentored students and evaluated programming materials covering datatypes, operators, functions, loops, lambda functions, file processing, map-filter, classes, and doc-tests

## Research Analyst, U.S.-Saudi Business Council

December 2020 - December 2022

Washington, D.C.

- Developed advanced data analysis and visualization techniques to identify emerging market trends, providing market data intelligence across renewable energy, water, construction, trade, finance, and healthcare sectors.
- Presented import/export data insights for Global Minnesota and Minnesota Dept. of Employment & Economic Development
- Built interactive geospatial dashboard visualizing \$11.1 billion U.S. state exports to Saudi Arabia, leveraging HTML and Google Geochart to transform export data into actionable insights for stakeholders

### Economic Research Assistant, U.S.-Saudi Business Council

June 2019 – December 2020

Washington, D.C.

- Identified drivers behind Saudi Arabia's 3% YoY non-oil export growth during the global pandemic by conducting granular commodity value and percent change analysis using Excel and PowerQuery
- Conducted granular survey analysis using Excel, leading to successful outreach campaign to State EDOs and NGOs