

James Adams

I'm a driven and detail-oriented sports scientist and therapist, with an added passion for data science. With a background in therapy, biomechanics, statistical analysis and teaching, I'm looking to challenge myself while putting my skills to good use.

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Experience

Associate Lecturer

2022 - Present

London Metropolitan University

- Designing and delivering lectures and practical tutorials on statistics and research skills for first year undergraduates and Masters degree students
- Setting and assessment of coursework at undergraduate and Masters level
- Instituted and managed a course wide switch to modern statistical applications and their delivery to students

Teaching in Higher Education Work Placement (200 hours)

2020 - 2021

London Metropolitan University

- Delivering lectures, tutorials, and assessments in modules including statistics for sports science, biomechanics, sports therapy, and business studies

Chief of Operations and Senior Coach

2012 - 2017

Parkour Generations

- General management of the company and Chainstore Gym & Parkour Academy facility. Responsibilities included KPI tracking, oversight of financial records and budgeting, staff management, and liaising with local councils, schools, and national governing bodies for bookings
- As a coach, also regularly led training classes for participants of all ability levels, in both indoor and outdoor environments, using a high level of creativity and excellent communication skills to teach complex movements and techniques

Education

MRes Sport & Exercise Science (Distinction)

2020 - 2021

London Metropolitan University

BSc Sports Therapy (First Class Hons.)

2017 - 2020

London Metropolitan University

- Received Best Performance and Highest Degree Mark in Subject Group Award

Data Science Bootcamp

2021 - 2022

General Assembly

Professional Memberships

Associate Fellow (AFHEA)

2021 - Current

AdvanceHE

- Meeting the criteria of Descriptor 1 of the UK Professional Standards Framework for teaching and supporting learning in higher education

Member

2021 - Current

Society of Sports Therapists

Member

2017 - Current

BASES

Writing and Research

Journals

Common Parkour Vault Techniques, Landing Styles, and Their Effects on Landing Forces

2021

Journal of Sports Sciences, doi: 10.1080/02640414.2021.1978748

- Abstract published in special edition of the Journal of Sports Sciences following poster presentation at BASES Conference 2021 with full paper and dataset also published online
- Winner of the **Human Kinetics Poster Presentation Award** at BASES 2021 Conference

Self-published

Using the Expertise of Parkour Coaches to Understand Parkour Movement: The Kong Vault

2021

doi: 10.13140/RG.2.2.33633.02402

- Qualitative study using the empirical knowledge of experienced parkour coaches to construct a deterministic model of a parkour movement

Learning Statistics with Jamovi

2022

<https://jmablog.github.io/jamovi-worksheets/>

- Worksheets written to aid in learning statistics with Jamovi at undergraduate and Masters level, made available online and listed on the Jamovi community resources page

Volunteering

Codebar Python Coach

codebar.io

- Helping beginners learn Python through paired coaching and tutorials, remotely and in-person

Parkour Clinic

<https://parkour.clinic>

- Personal non-profit sports therapy project started to continue sports therapy work while studying at Masters level, and to give back to the parkour community

Skills

Education

- Experience delivering a broad scope of materials to an equally broad variety of audiences, from coaching physical parkour skills with a group of deaf teenagers to complex statistics formulas with Masters-level university students
- Commitment to celebrating the diversity of learners and their journeys to education, and the importance of adapting the material and delivery to the learner
- Ability to teach remotely or in-person with the latest in educational technical tools and software

Sports therapy and biomechanics

- Experience delivering therapy and exercise sessions to an incredibly diverse range of patients, including professional athletes, emergency service members, and mentally and physically disabled children with an empathetic and patient-focused pedagogy of care
- In-depth knowledge of human anatomy, biomechanics, and sports injuries

Research and data science

- Detailed understanding of qualitative and quantitative research methodology with a deep appreciation for statistical thinking and the importance of evidence-based decision making
- Keen desire to contribute research to the greater scientific understanding of parkour in sport and exercise science
- Enthusiasm for effective, reproducible research, conveyed through concise narratives and compelling, beautiful visualisations

Technical

- Highly experienced with SPSS, Excel and Jamovi alongside programming in R and Python for statistical analysis
- Experienced with Blackboard Learn for module management
- Highly technically competent and comfortable with computing for general administrative and project management tasks, including Microsoft Office suite

References available on request