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## Languages

*Native:* English

*Fluent:* Spanish, French, Catalan

*Proficient:* Portuguese

*Expert:* R, SAS, Stata

*Professional:* Python, SPSS, Ruby

*Proficient:* Javascript, HTML, CSS

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## Education

**PhD** (in progress)

*Institut de Salut Global (host institution)*

*Vrije Universiteit (secondary institution)*

*Centro de Investigacao em Saude de Manhica (research site)*

*January 2016-*

BARCELONA, SPAIN

AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND

MANHICA, MOZAMBIQUE

- Coursework in economics, epidemiology, evaluation and policy
- Research on the cost effectiveness and efficacy of malaria control and elimination interventions

**Master of Public Health**

*Kobenhavns Universitet (year 2)*

*Escuela Andaluza de Salud Pública (year 1)*

*September 2011 - July 2013*

COPENHAGEN, DENMARK

GRANADA, SPAIN

- Coursework in epidemiology, economic evaluation, demography, advanced biostatistics, management, health policy, health promotion
- Research focus on immigration and youth health

**Master of Arts**

*Institut Catholique de Paris*

*September 2009-June 2010*

PARIS, FRANCE

- Coursework in diplomacy, policy, political science and history
- MA in Contemporary Diplomatic History, with fieldwork on the secret diplomacy which ended the Vietnam War through the Paris Peace Accords

**Bachelor of Arts**

*Sewanee: The University of the South*

*August 2004-May 2008*

SEWANEE, TN, USA

- Triple major in Contemporary Non-Western History, Spanish, French
- Research focus on civil war in Guatemala

## Publications

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### Peer-reviewed papers

García-Basteiro A, Miranda R, **Brew J**, et al. Tuberculosis on the rise in southern Mozambique (1997–2012). *European Respiratory Journal*  
DOI: 10.1183/13993003.01683-2016 (2017 [pre-publication])

Tran C, **Brew J**, Johnson N, Ryan K, Martin B, Cornett C, Caron B, Duncan R, Small P, Myers P, Morris J. *Sustainability of School-located Influenza Vaccination Programs in Florida*. *Vaccine*  
DOI: 10.1016/j.vaccine.2016.04.017 (2016)

Lednicky J, Iovine N, **Brew J**, Loeb J, Sugimoto J, Rand K, Morris J. *Hemagglutinin Gene Clade 3C.2a Influenza A(H3N2) Viruses, Alachua County, Florida, USA, 2014–15*. *Emerging Infectious Diseases*  
DOI: 10.3201/eid2201.151019 (2016)

Potash E, **Brew J**, Loewi A, Majumdar S, Reece A, Walsh J, Rozier E, Jorgenson E, Mansour R, Ghani R. *Predictive Modeling for Public Health: Preventing Childhood Lead Poisoning*. *ACM SIGKDD International Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining*  
DOI: 10.1145/2783258.2788629 (2015)

Iovine M, Morris JG, Fedenburg K, Rand K, Alnuaimat H, Lipori G, **Brew J**, Lednicky JA. *Increased severity of H1N1 influenza in the 2013-14 season and emergence of the D225G variant*. *Emerging Infectious Diseases*  
DOI: 10.3201/eid2104.141375 (2015)

**Brew J**. *(Mis)measurement in the study of food environment: we need better methods to solve the puzzle*. *Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health*  
DOI:10.1136/jech-2014-205163 (2015)

Tran CH, Sugimoto JD, Pulliam JR, Ryan KA, Myers PD, Castleman JB, Doty R, Johnson J, Stringfellow J, Kovacevich N, **Brew J**, Cheung LL, Caron B, Lipori G, Harle CA, Alexander C, Yang Y, Longini IM Jr, Halloran ME, Morris JG, Small PA Jr. *School-Located Influenza Vaccination Reduces Community Risk for Influenza and Influenza-Like Illness Emergency Care Visits*. *PLOS ONE*  
DOI: 10.1371/journal.pone.0114479 (2014)

### Conference presentations

**Brew J**, Cirera L, Sicuri E. *The economic benefits of a malaria elimination campaign in Southern Mozambique*. *African Health Economics Association Conference: The sustainable development goals, the grand convergence, and health in Africa*.  
Rabat, Morocco (2016)

## Academic theses

*Youth overweight in Denmark: prevalence, ethnicity and other risk factors.* Kobenhavns Universitet (MPH dissertation) 2013

*Estrés laboral en trabajadoras domésticas en Andalucía.* Escuela Andaluza de Salud Pública 2012

*La Presse comme arme politique: le role des journaux américains dans les négociations des accords de Paris.* Institut Catholique de Paris (MA dissertation) 2009

*Religion and Counterrevolution: Fundamentalist Evangelicalism and the Dictatorship of Efraín Ríos Montt.* Sewanee: The University of the South (BA thesis) 2008

## Non-academic papers and projects

*DATABREW: empowering researchers in academia and industry to explore, understand, and communicate their data through teaching and consulting (company)*  
www.databrew.cc 2017 - ongoing

*BCN Data: the numbers behind Europe's most vibrant city (website)*  
www.bcndata.cat 2015 - ongoing

*Control Flu Data Insights: Immunization, consent and vaccine hesitance*  
Florida Department of Health, Alachua County 2015

*Community Health Improvement Plan: Evaluation Reports*  
Florida Department of Health, Alachua County (internal) 2014

*Quantifying capacity at Health Posts in Tigray, Ethiopia*  
Tigray Regional Health Bureau (internal) 2013

*Ciudad Quetzal: A Guatemalan City Grapples with Gang Terrorism*  
Tico Times, Costa Rica 2011

*Heart of the sky, heart of the earth: religious division and its sociopolitical causes and consequences in San Juan Sacatepequez, Guatemala*  
Biehl Fellowship Paper 2007

## Experience

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**Co-founder, consultant, instructor**  
*DATABREW*

TORONTO, CANADA  
*January 2017 - present*

- Co-founded company which provides statistical consulting and educational services to institutions in industry and academia

**Economist**  
*Centro de Investigação em Saude de Manhica*

MANHIÇA, MOZAMBIQUE  
*November 2016 - present*

- Field research on economics and malaria
- Supervise and organize data collection teams
- Capacity-building and course instruction on data visualization and statistical software

**Consultant**  
*World Bank*

WASHINGTON, DC, USA  
*May 2016 - present*

- Design and create researcher tools for large-scale surveys carried out by the World Bank Trade Competitiveness Global Practice
- Build interactive web app for data exploration

**Data scientist**  
*Lendable*

OAKLAND, CA, USA  
*January 2015 - present*

- Work to expand access to financial products to the developing world (East Africa, India)
- Program machine learning algorithms to predict financial risk
- Develop and implement stochastic simulation methods
- Devise creative means for extracting and generating features in a low-data context
- Create internal and client-facing visualization tools

**Surveillance Epidemiologist**  
*Florida Department of Health, Alachua County*

GAINESVILLE, FL, USA  
*July 2013 - December 2015*

- Write programs to detect clusters/abnormalities for ER data stream
- Analyze mosquito trap data to prevent arbovirus transmission
- Coordinate flu surveillance operations through school system
- Oversee program evaluation, billing, revenue modeling activities

**Analyst**  
*Analyst Institute*

WASHINGTON, DC, USA  
*April 2014 - April 2015*

- Analyzed voter data from controlled experiments
- Created tools for statistical analysis
- Designed interactive dashboards for data visualization

**"Data Science for Social Good" Fellow**  
*University of Chicago*

CHICAGO, IL, USA  
*June 2014 - August 2014*

- Analyzed large datasets to predict pediatric lead poisoning
- Worked in close collaboration with the Chicago Dept. of Public Health
- Used tools like R, Python and D3
- Worked closely with industry experts like Rayid Ghani and Ben Yuhas
- Designed tools for data exploration

**Erasmus Mundus Researcher**  
*Skolesundhed*

COPENHAGEN, DENMARK  
*February 2012-June 2013*

- Redesigned school health screening system to bring to digital platform
- Analyzed 3 years of youth health data on immigration and overweight

**Health Systems Researcher**

*Agència de Salut Pública de Barcelona*

BARCELONA, SPAIN

*November 2012-February 2013*

- Worked on SOPHIE project on immigration and health disparities

**Maternal Health Epidemiologist**

*Tigray Regional Health Bureau*

MEKELLE, ETHIOPIA

*May 2012-August 2012*

- Collected, analyzed and reported on data from rural regional Health Posts near the Eritrean border

**Teacher**

*St. Andrew's-Sewanee School*

SEWANEE, TN, USA

*January 2010-June 2011*

- Taught middle and high school Spanish and Technology

**Assistant Coach**

*The University of the South*

SEWANEE, TN, USA

*August 2009-December 2010*

- Coached men and women's cross country and track and field

**Health Educator**

*Promotion et Développement Humain*

AVEDJI CITÉ, TOGO

*May 2009-August 2009*

- Lead sexual health education workshops for teens
- Assessed medication adherence among HIV/AIDS patients through visits/interviews
- Assisted in accounting, data organization, process improvement

**Recreation Coordinator / Teacher**

*Instituto Experimental de Ciudad Quetzal*

CIUDAD QUETZAL, GUATEMALA

*2006-2008 (summers)*

- Organized youth recreation clinics for the *Cases Interculturales* program
- Taught English and Spanish in impoverished and violence-stricken area

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**Honors and Awards**

**Transdisciplinary Global Health Fellowship**

*2015*

Funded by the European Commission to carry out research on economics and malaria

**Data Science for Social Good Fellowship**

*2014*

Funded by the University of Chicago to spend 3 months tackling big problems with big data

**Erasmus Mundus Fellowship**

*2011*

European Commission award for full MPH funding

**Highest honors ("mention très bien") on MA thesis**

*2009*

*La Presse comme arme politique: le role des journaux américains dans les négociations des accords de Paris*

**Highest honors ("summa cum laude") and Phi Beta Kappa**

*2008*

Top 5% of graduating class at Sewanee

<b>Linda Wheat Fellowship</b> Full funding for graduate studies at the Institut Catholique de Paris	2008
<b>Fulbright ETA (Andorra)</b> Awarded, but I declined in order to pursue graduate studies	2008
<b>Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award</b> Granted to one graduate annually, Sewanee's "most prestigious prize"	2008
<b>Joseph Cushman Scholarship</b> Highest award given to History major at Sewanee	2007
<b>Gessell Fellowship</b> Funding to carry out research on African-American history at Sewanee	2007
<b>Biehl Social Science Fellowship</b> Full funding to investigate the religious roots of social division in Guatemala	2007
<b>Lilly Grant</b> Full funding for vocational institute and internship in Guatemala	2006
<b>Wright-Bentley Scholarship</b> For strong academic skills and service to the community	2005
<b>Wilkins Scholarship</b> Merit and community award	2004

## Community Service

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<b>Translator</b> <i>Physicians for Haiti</i>	PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI 2010-present
• Translated medical education documents between French and English	
<b>Founder</b> <i>Weekend English for Migrants</i>	SEWANEE, TN, USA 2009-2011
• Organized language exchanges between high-schoolers and undocumented immigrants	
<b>Co-founder</b> <i>ABRE</i>	SEWANEE, TN, USA 2006-2008
• Co-founded and presided over social awareness and social justice organization	

## Personal

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Happily married, father, likes to fix and ride bikes, enjoys travel, doesn't enjoy airplanes, loves running, hates sitting, morning person.