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## Education

### Bowdoin College

A.B. *summa cum laude* WITH HONORS IN MATHEMATICS, MINOR IN BIOLOGY

Brunswick, ME

2017 - 2021

*Undergraduate thesis:* Modeling coupled disease-behavior dynamics of SARS-CoV-2 using influence networks

*Advisors:* Mary Lou Zeeman, PhD (Mathematics) and Mohammad Irfan, PhD (Computer Science, Digital & Computational Studies)

*Relevant coursework:* Linear Algebra, Probability, Statistics, Bayesian Statistics, ODEs, PDEs, Data Structures, Social & Economic Networks, Evolution, Ecology, Microbiology, Genetics & Molecular Biology, Science Communication

## Research Experience

### Georgetown University

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE, ADVISOR: SHWETA BANSAL, PHD

Washington, DC

Aug. 2021 - present

- Analyzed spatiotemporal trends in self-reported mask-wearing behavior during the U.S. COVID-19 pandemic
- Mapped the immune landscape of orthopoxviruses at a fine spatial resolution using demographic and vaccination data
- Describing spatiotemporal trends in self-reported non-household contacts (using GAMs)
- Identifying gender and race/ethnicity imbalances in publications and citation practices within the field of infectious disease dynamics

### Bowdoin College

STUDENT RESEARCHER, ADVISORS: MARY LOU ZEEMAN, PHD; MOHAMMAD IRFAN, PHD

Remote

May 2021 - present

- Continued honors thesis work in preparation for publication, specifically:
  - Adapted model to account for both global and local risk perception
  - Modified underlying network structure to better resemble real-world contact networks
  - Analyzed the role and interaction of risk perception and social influence terms in our model

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Global Migration & Quarantine, Office of Innovation, Development, Evaluation, and Analytics

INTERN, ADVISORS: ARDATH GRILLS, PHD; SARAH BOWDEN, PHD; MICHAEL JOHANSSON, PHD

Remote

May - Aug. 2020

- Gathered, cleaned, and wrangled census and meat-packing location data for boosted regression tree machine learning model to predict and characterize COVID-19 county hotspots
- Collected data (attendance, venue size, event duration) for large gatherings considered COVID-19 superspreader events & investigated correlations between event aspects and disease transmission, in an effort to estimate dispersion parameter
- Contributed to model implementation and assessment of interventions to mitigate COVID-19 spread on cruise ships

### University of Georgia, Odum School of Ecology

STUDENT RESEARCHER (REU), ADVISORS: JOHN M. DRAKE, PHD; PAIGE B. MILLER, PHD

Athens, GA

May - July 2019

- Compiled and standardized infectious disease transmission trees from the literature into an R database
- Analyzed predictors of outbreak size & quantified the contribution of superspreading to onward transmission
- Tested theory relating frequency of superspreading events and the dispersion parameter

STUDENT RESEARCHER (REMOTE), ADVISORS: JOHN M. DRAKE, PHD; PAIGE B. MILLER, PHD

June - Dec. 2020

- Expanded database to include COVID-19 transmission trees and released data online at [outbreaktrees.ecology.uga.edu](https://outbreaktrees.ecology.uga.edu)
- Further explored frequency, timing, and generation of superspreaders for COVID-19 relative to other diseases using database

### Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center

INTERN, ADVISOR: PETER F. WRIGHT, MD











Lebanon, NH

June - Aug. 2017

- Assisted with development of Gates Foundation funding proposal: Applying the Lessons Learned from Polio Eradication
- Compiled and summarized literature on smallpox and polio eradication efforts, highlighting similarities and differences
- Organized data on bronchiolitis and RSV hospitalizations in New England

## Publications

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6. **Taube JC**, Susswein Z, Bansal S (2022) Characterizing spatiotemporal trends in self-reported non-household contacts during the COVID-19 pandemic in the United States. *In preparation*.
5. **Taube JC**, Irfan MT\*, Zeeman ML\* (2022) Modeling coupled disease-behavior dynamics using influence networks and varying risk perception. *In preparation*.
4. **Taube JC**, Susswein Z, Bansal S (2022) Spatiotemporal trends in self-reported mask-wearing behavior in the United States: Analysis of a large cross-sectional survey. *Revision under review at JMIR Public Health and Surveillance*. Preprint:  
3. **Taube JC\***, Rest EC\*, Lloyd-Smith JO, Bansal S (2022) The global landscape of smallpox vaccination history and implications for current and future orthopoxvirus susceptibility: a modelling study. *Lancet Infectious Diseases*. In press. doi: 10.1016/S1473-3099(22)00664-8.   
2. **Taube JC**, Miller PB, Drake JM (2022) An open-access database of infectious disease transmission trees to explore superspreader epidemiology. *PLoS Biology* 20(6): e3001685. doi: 10.1371/journal.pbio.3001685.   
1. Wright PF, Hoen AG, Jarvis JD, Zens MS, Dade EF, Karagas MR, **Taube JC**, Brickley EB (2022) Bronchiolitis hospitalizations in northern New England: Clues to disease prevention. *Therapeutic Advances in Infectious Disease* 9: 1-11. doi: 10.1177/20499361221099447  

\* Authors contributed equally

## Presentations

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### Characterizing spatiotemporal trends in self-reported mask-wearing behavior in the U.S.

Talk at MIDAS Meeting 2022, 10 minutes + 25 minute breakout discussion 

Sept. 2022

Talk also given virtually at Delphi's COVID-19 Trends and Impacts Survey Monthly Collaboration Meeting

Bethesda, MD

### Modeling coupled disease-behavior dynamics of SARS-CoV-2 using influence networks

Invited talk for Prof. Mohammad Irfan's Research Group at Bowdoin College, 30 minutes

Oct. 2021

Virtual

### An open-access database of infectious disease transmission trees to explore superspreader epidemiology

Rapid Fire Talk at MIDAS Meeting 2021 

May 2021

Virtual

### Who infected whom? Creating a database of transmission trees for comparative outbreak analysis

Poster at Epidemics 7 

Dec. 2019

Charleston, SC

## Awards & Honors

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- 2021 **Student Faculty Research Grant Fellowship**, summer research funding, Prof. Zeeman's NSF grant (\$1920)
- 2020 **Almon Goodwin Prize**, awarded to exemplary members of Phi Beta Kappa
- 2020 **Phi Beta Kappa**
- 2020 **Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholar & Book Award Winner** (4x), Book Award is for students with 4.0 GPA
- 2020 **Bowdoin Funded Internship Grant**, for internship with CDC (\$5000)
- 2019 **REU Travel Grant for Epidemics 7**, from Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory (\$2000)
- 2019 **Bowdoin College Goldwater Scholarship Nominee**
- 2018 **First Year Chemistry Award**, recognizes outstanding promise and achievement in chemistry
- 2017 **Bowdoin Faculty Scholar**, recognizes students who achieved excellence in their high school courses (\$3000)
- 2017 **Bowdoin National Merit Scholarship** (\$1000/yr)

## Teaching Experience

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### Georgetown University

#### BIOLOGY TEACHING FELLOW

Washington, DC

Aug 2022 - present

- Modeling Populations and Diseases (BIOL 422/GLID 522): attend lecture, lead lab section, hold weekly office hours, grade student labs, homeworks, & papers

### Bowdoin College

#### MATHEMATICS TEACHING ASSISTANT

Brunswick, ME

Feb. - May 2021

- Partial Differential Equations (MATH 3209): created videos to explain homework solutions or review confusing concepts

#### DIGITAL AND COMPUTATIONAL STUDIES TEACHING ASSISTANT

Jan. - May 2021

- Contagion (DCS 3350): curated resources and assisted students
- Searched for flight, mobility, population, and contact tracing data sources, summarized findings for student project
- Collected and organized news articles on racism, economic impacts, and misinformation during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Led weekly study group to help students with their coursework using networkx

#### COMPUTER SCIENCE TEACHING ASSISTANT

Jan. 2019 - Dec. 2020

- Led weekly two-hour study groups to assist students with their assignments, including asking probing questions, finding the bugs in their code, and explaining concepts from class
  - Introduction to Computer Science (CSCI 1101): Jan. 2019 – Dec. 2020
  - Social and Economic Networks (CSCI/DCS 2350): Sept. – Dec. 2020

## Service

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### Friends of the Mount Vernon Trail Volunteer

Feb. 2022 - present

Arlington, VA

- Participate about once a month in events to improve the Mount Vernon Trail for biking/walking/running, including trash pick-up, culvert digging, invasive honeysuckle removal, and trail widening

### Bowdoin Curriculum Implementation Committee Alternate Member

Aug. 2020 - May 2021

Brunswick, ME

- Attended committee meetings to provide student perspective on course proposals, including how they fit into the Bowdoin curriculum, and whether they satisfied distribution requirements

### Bowdoin Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Member

Aug. 2020 - May 2021

Brunswick, ME

- Representative from Bowdoin's Women's Varsity Ice Hockey Team, advocated for team needs and worked with college administration to implement NCAA and NESCAC initiatives

## Training

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### Teaching, Learning & Innovation Summer Institute

Washington, DC

#### GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY

May 2022

Workshops on universal design, assessments in STEM courses, use of office hours, and science communication

### Exploring Racial Justice: An Intragroup Dialogue for White Identified Students

Virtual

#### BOWDOIN COLLEGE

April - May 2021

Six-week workshop exploring social justice issues and white privilege without burdening students of marginalized identities

### Summer Institute in Biostatistics

Minneapolis, MN

#### UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

June - July 2018

Coursework: Six weeks of classes in biostatistics, epidemiology, and statistical computing using R and SAS

Final project: Outlined clinical trial protocol of canakinumab in HIV+ patients

## Skills

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**Programming** R, Python, Mathematica

**Software** LaTeX, Git, MacOS, Microsoft Office