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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

Remote

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

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

Athens, GA

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

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
- Further explored frequency, timing, and generation of superspreaders for COVID-19 relative to other diseases using database

Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center






Lebanon, NH

INTERN, ADVISOR: PETER F. WRIGHT, MD

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

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: Implications for current and future orthopoxvirus susceptibility. *Lancet Infectious Diseases*. In press. Preprint: 
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

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

- 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

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

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

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

Programming R, Python, Mathematica

Software LaTeX, Git, MacOS, Microsoft Office