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SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Extensive experience programming and modeling in R and Python, working with API's, global data sets, data visualization, and using GitHub
- Manage ecological data and statistical analysis for the Ocean Health Index and the Arctic Data Center at the National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis
- Served as a data specialist for biological conservation projects, modeled species distributions, collaborated with partner agencies, and summarized monthly data reports
- 5 years of ecological research, field work, and team leadership experience

EDUCATION

Master of Environmental Data Science (Expected June 2022, GPA: 4.0)

Bren School of Environmental Science & Management - University of California, Santa Barbara Selected Coursework: Modeling Environmental Systems; Remote Sensing and Environmental Data; Analytical Workflows and Scientific Reproducibility; Spatial Analysis for Environmental Data Science

Bachelor of Science in Ecology and Evolution (June 2019, Major GPA: 3.7)

University of California, Santa Barbara

Honors: Distinction in the Major

Study Abroad: Monteverde Institute, Costa Rica - Tropical Biology and Conservation Program

Athletics: Rowing Team

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities Grant 2018

Awarded \$750 by UC Santa Barbara to fund senior thesis research (see Ecological Research & Papers)

Dean Bazzi Memorial Scholarship 2018

\$500 Awarded to an outstanding student in aquatic biology, environmental biology, or Zoology

UC Santa Barbara EAP Gaucho Scholarship 2018

Scholarship for \$2000 allocated towards studying abroad at the Monteverde Institute, Costa Rica

ECOLOGICAL RESEARCH & CONFERENCES

Master's Capstone Project: An open-source pipeline for remote sensing of crop yields under environmental change in sub-Saharan Africa through satellite imagery (1/22 – present)

- Role: Data Manager (executes data processing, quality control, metadata, and large-scale data analysis)
- Develop an open-source tool in python to streamline analysis of crop yields and socioeconomic factors (food security) through satellite imagery and machine learning
- Create a task-agnostic tool for researchers to monitor the impact of climate change over time and space

Yale School of the Environment: New Horizons in Conservation Conference (3/22)

Presented master's project and its environmental justice implications for the Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Sustainability
Initiative through a poster, group presentation, and expert panel review

Anthropogenic niche partitioning: mesocarnivore spatial and temporal coexistence along an urban gradient through camera traps (6/18-6/19)

- Independent senior thesis project conducted throughout Santa Barbara County
- Funded through Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities Grant
- Poster presentation at the UC Santa Barbara Undergraduate Research Colloquium

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Filtration Efficiency in Bivalves: effects of species and size in oysters and mussels (9/18 - 12/18)

- Scientific paper presented at Monteverde Institute Research Symposium 2018 in Monteverde, Costa Rica
- Funded research through Tropical Biology and Conservation program, see Research section on personal website

DATA SCIENCE & CONSERVATION WORK EXPERIENCE

Ocean Health Index, National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis – Data Analyst Fellow (5/22-9/22)

- Prepare, process, and synthesize global data related to marine biology and climate change
- Statistically calculate future trajectories of biodiversity, carbon storage, fisheries, water quality, coastal erosion, coastal economies, etc. at the country level
- Communicate results through interactive visualizations (maps, plots, open-source code & documentation)

National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis – Arctic Data Center Intern (1/22 – present)

- Programming in R, using application programming interfaces to upload and manage data and metadata for the Arctic Data Center, the primary repository for the NSF's Office of Polar Programs
- Correspond with researchers to publish open-source data and metadata to the DataOne repository

Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission & CDFW - Fisheries Technician (12/20 – 6/21)

- Monitored endangered Southern California steelhead trout (Oncorhynchus mykiss) populations
- Utilized DIDSON underwater sonar cameras to monitor fish populations, train employees in software
- Conducted trout spawning surveys, electrofishing, PIT tagging, and executed database maintenance

Oahu Invasive Species Committee - Data Specialist & Field Technician (9/19 – 8/20)

- Served as data specialist and crew leader in field surveys for incipient invasive flora and fauna on Oahu
- Mapped in ArcGIS, ran queries, executed species distribution modeling and database quality control
- Hiked in mountainous terrain through rugged forests & sampled endemic tree species for fungal pathogen
- Communicated with the public and reported to partner organizations in Hawaii

San Diego Natural History Museum - Field Technician (5/19 – 7/19)

- Led field surveys of the flat-tailed horned lizard, a cryptic species threatened by anthropogenic activity
- Hiked survey transects in deserts, handled reptiles, identified scat, navigated unmaintained desert roads driving 4wheel drive vehicles, used Collector for ArcGIS

UC Santa Barbara McCauley Lab - Research Assistant (9/17 – 5/19)

- Conducted mesocarnivore spatial ecology research studying anthropogenic impacts on behavior
- Trapped, handled, & collared mesocarnivores & tracked via VHF radio-telemetry and remote cameras

ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Cheadle Center for Biodiversity and Ecological Restoration – Field Technician (1/18 - 5/19)

Wetland field restoration, herbarium maintenance, and botanical specimen preparation

Channel Islands Restoration - Field Assistant (8/17)

Surveyed for endangered plant species in wetland habitat of Carpinteria salt marshes

Partnership for the Interdisciplinary Study of Coastal Oceans - Laboratory Intern (6/17 – 9/17)

Identified invertebrate species with microscope to reveal long term trends in intertidal marine life

SKILLS AND CERTIFICATIONS

Computer Programs: R, Python, Ecological Metadata Language, ArcGIS, SQL, GitHub, DIDSON sonar metrics software, Microsoft Access, Microsoft Suite

Field Skills: Trap and handle wildlife, monitor mammals using VHF radio-telemetry techniques and remote cameras, drive 4-wheel drive vehicles, lead field surveys, landscape restoration and horticulture

Certifications: Wilderness First Aid, Interagency Aviation Training, IACUC, First Aid, CPR