

1. What are you looking forward to about this Service Learning/hands-on project experience? What are your hesitations? What are you most eager to learn?

I am excited to try something new with different types of data than we are used to seeing.

I am hesitant while also excited to try and analyze data where the outcome can be unknown. Typically we work with data that is pre-loaded in R so the outcome can usually already widely known whereas, with the projects lined up for class, the answers or accuracy scores could vary per team/person's results. I am most eager to learn about some real-world projects and hopefully contribute in a meaningful way to each project.

2. What might be the biggest challenge to your learning? What assets do you bring to this experience?

I think the biggest challenge that I face is with learning, especially in this online environment, is staying 100% focused on the task at hand. I can easily get distracted when not in a classroom environment so I try to work really hard to stay focused during lessons and on assignments. I think I bring a pretty good background in data science as an asset to this course. I want to go into the data science field so I have taken many courses in the CS, Math, and Anthropology departments alike in order to get an interdisciplinary approach to data science. I am passionate about problem-solving so I rarely give up when given a hard challenge. I am excited to be able to put all of what I have learned in school to use this semester with these projects!