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WORK EXPERIENCE

Senior Data Scientist, Chief Analytics Office — IBM

April 2022 – Present

- Independently perform data querying, interpretation, visualization, feature engineering, model selection, training, validation, OOP, and code testing in Python and lead and mentor team of 4 interns in these skills through model discussions, code reviews, evaluation, and model selection activities
- Lead workstream and establish workstream vision, roadmap and OKRs and ensure data science product aligns with user and stakeholder needs; coordinate with front-end developers to launch product into production, impacting 270k IBMers
- lead adoption of foundation assets on team ensuring consistent structure and data science operations and reducing team technical debt

Senior Data Scientist Co-op, Chief Analytics Office — IBM

June 2021 – April 2022

- Produced ML-driven insights into skill gaps and learning recommendations for IBM employees enabling and accelerating reskilling
- Implemented NLP solutions using word2vec word embeddings and flashtext keyword extraction to extract workforce expertise and gaps to maintain highly skilled workforce
- Designed unsupervised recommendation algorithm to provide IBM employees with actionable recommendations for reskilling
- Evaluated and refined recommendation engine to optimize model parameters to exemplify proof of concept for key stakeholders
- Demonstrated product ownership by creating strong partnerships with stakeholders, transforming data science expertise into tangible business value and delivering a stronger product

Survey Data Coordinator (RA) — UArizona

Oct 2020 – May 2021

- Developed survey pipeline using R, Python, and the Qualtrics API to generate and deploy 5k+ unique and personalized surveys in 4 languages on Qualtrics for the US Department of Defense
- Assessed project coverage and automated forecasting of deficits to determine resourcing priorities

Senior Data Science Ambassador — UArizona

Sept 2019 – May 2021

- Directed 34 data science workshops delivered to 960 participants to foster the next generation of data scientists at UArizona
- Evaluated College data science needs through custom survey, analyzed results, drafted solutions, and communicated needs and potential solutions to administrator stakeholders
- Implemented the Machine Learning Consulting Group and consulted on 96 projects that concluded in more efficient R and Python code for students and faculty
- Organized Stanford-based Women in Data Science satellite conference with 400 participants (2020, 2021)

EDUCATION

2022	PhD	University of Arizona	Tucson, AZ
2020	MA	University of Arizona	Tucson, AZ
2016	MPhil	Trinity College, Dublin	Dublin, Ireland
2013	BA	Brigham Young University	Laie, HI

PUBLICATIONS

- Jang, **Gonzalez**, Zeng, and Martínez. 2022. “Correlates of Panethnic Identification: Assessing similarities and differences among Latinos and Asian Americans in the United States” *Sociological Perspectives*. 65(4):702–726.
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- Coulter, **et. al.** 2020. “A Study and Analysis of the Treatment of Mexican Unaccompanied Minors by Customs and Border Protection” *Journal on Migration and Human Security*. 8(2):96–110.
- Mannheimer, Milner, **Gonzalez**, and Hill. 2020. “Social Status and White Fragility: Gender and Socioeconomic Variations.’ Pp. 115–127 in *Research in the Sociology of Health Care*. Vol 38, edited by J. Kronenfeld. Castle Hill, Aus: Emerald Press.

SKILLS

Programming Languages	Python: numpy - pandas - scikit-learn R: tidyverse - dplyr - tidymodels SQL - L ^A T _E X- Bash - Zsh
ML Expertise	Natural Language Processing & Understanding (NLP/NLU) Machine Learning: Classification, Regression, Unsupervised Learning Visualization: Static, Interactive, Dashboards Survey Design
Tools	Git - Github Jira - Trello - Clickup

GIVING BACK

University Lecturer	STAT 412: Statistical Programming in R SOC 303: Health & Society SOC 101: Introduction to Sociology
Workshops	Advanced Data Wrangling Intro to R Programming Data Carpentry: R for Social Science Software Carpentry: R-gapminder gganimate: Animated ggplots

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