Keith Harrigian

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Education

Aug. 2019 – Present **Johns Hopkins University**
PhD, Computer Science. Expected graduation 2024.

Aug. 2019 – Dec. 2021 **Johns Hopkins University**
MSE, Computer Science. GPA: 4.0/4.0

Sept. 2013 – May 2017 **Northeastern University**
BS, Mathematics. Minors in Physics and Music. GPA: 3.9/4.0

Academic Research

Aug. 2019 – Present **Center for Language and Speech Processing (CLSP)**
Graduate Research Assistant | P.I. Mark Dredze
- Develop health-oriented machine learning models that are robust across multiple environments (e.g., data platform, demographic composition, hospital system)
- Design and deploy a web-based analytics dashboard for summarizing patient electronic communication data to aid in treatment of adolescent and adult mood disorders

Aug. 2014 – Aug. 2019 **The Action Lab**
Research Assistant | P.I. Dagmar Sternad
- Engineered a new algorithm using Hidden Markov Models to precisely detect initiation of finger taps in noisy strain gauge time series data
- Co-supervised "Pitchers and Pianists" study at Boston Museum of Science from September 2015 through May 2016; educated 400+ visitors on human coordination and neural control

Industry Experience

Mar. 2021 – Present **Unforged**
Data Science and Machine Learning Consultant
- Lead specification and implementation of data science infrastructure for adolescent mental wellness platform (e.g., personalization, content moderation)
- Review grant applications to ensure technical contributions are accurately described; identify overlap in core technology with competitors to ensure contributions are novel
- Oversee international data compliance efforts

June 2023 – Aug. 2023 **Netflix**
Graduate Machine Learning Intern – Content Demand Modeling
- Investigated whether audio-visual representations of long-form multimedia content (i.e., movies, television series) can be used to better forecast audience size
- Consulted on the development of an internal toolkit for detecting and characterizing distributional shift

June 2018 – June 2019 **Warner Media Applied Analytics**
Senior Quantitative Analyst
- Developed speech and language feature-extraction tools to model the relationship between thematic content in movie trailers and downstream effects on Wikipedia web traffic

Quantitative Analyst
- Optimized the targeting of interest segments on Facebook in real time using contextual-bandits and factorization of audience overlap matrices
- Advised Masters student on a project to identify film mentions in podcast audio via fuzzy matching and supervised learning, resulting in publication

June 2017 – June 2018 **Legendary Entertainment**
Quantitative Analyst
- Developed a multi-modal model to infer demographics of Reddit users and a collaborative filtering system to segment online communities
- Programmed an interactive tool to extract book titles mentioned on Reddit, scrape metadata from an online reading database, and visualize demographic-level trends
- Leveraged partial least squares regression to create a content- and marketplace-aware arbitrage model for the digital promotion of news articles

July 2016 – Dec. 2016 **True Fit Corporation**
Scientist (Co-op)
- Designed a robust anomaly detection system to capture fraudulent retail transactions, reducing noise by 10% in recommendation engine training data
- Modeled e-commerce return rates to establish baselines for A/B testing

July 2015 – July 2016 **Legendary Entertainment**
Quantitative Research Collaborator (Consultant)
- Led R&D of a conditional random field model for end-to-end named entity recognition on Twitter, allowing for dynamic query filtering based on temporal popularity fluctuations

Quantitative Research Analyst (Co-op)
- Created a command-line tool to acquire secondary market sales data and compile revenue reports, enabling 4 professional sports organizations to optimize ticket prices
- Trained Naïve Bayes model to quantify movie-going intent and infer sentiment within tweets

Publications

Ayers, J., Zhu, Z., **Harrigian, K.**, Wightman, P., Dredze, M., Strathdee, S., Smith., D. "Managing HIV During the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Study of Help-Seeking Behaviors on a Social Media Forum." *AIDS and Behavior*. 2023.

Harrigian, K., Zirikly, A., Chee, B., Ahmad, A., Links, AR., Saha, S., Beach, MC., & Dredze, M. "Characterization of Stigmatizing Language in Medical Records." *In Proceedings of the 61st Meeting of the Association of Computational Linguistics (ACL)*. 2023.

Cai, C., Tran, D., Tang, T., Liou, W., **Harrigian, K.**, Scott, E., Nagy, P., Kharrazi, H., Crews, D., Zeger, S. "Health Disparities in Lapses in Diabetic Retinopathy Care." *Ophthalmology Science*. 2023.

Harrigian, K. & Dredze, M. "Then and Now: Quantifying the Longitudinal Validity of Self-disclosed Depression Diagnoses." *In Proceedings of the Computational Linguistics and Clinical Psychology Workshop (NAACL)*. 2022.

Harrigian, K. & Dredze, M. "The Problem of Semantic Shift in Longitudinal Monitoring of Social Media." *In Proceedings of the 14th ACM Web Science Conference*. 2022.

Harrigian, K., Aguirre, C., & Dredze, M. "On the State of Social Media Data for Mental Health Research." *In Proceedings of the Computational Linguistics and Clinical Psychology Workshop (NAACL)*. 2021.

Sherman, E., **Harrigian, K.**, Aguirre, C., & Dredze, M. "Towards Understanding the Role of Demographics in Deploying Social Media-Based Mental Health Surveillance Models." *In Proceedings of the Computational Linguistics and Clinical Psychology Workshop (NAACL)*. 2021.

Aguirre, C., **Harrigian, K.**, & Dredze, M. "Gender and Racial Fairness in Depression Research using Social Media." *In Proceedings of the 16th Conference of the European Chapter of the ACL (EACL)*. 2021.

Harrigian, K., Aguirre, C., & Dredze, M. "Do Models of Mental Health Based on Social Media Generalize?" *In Proceedings of the Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP): Findings*. 2020.

Harrigian, K., Guo, D., Park, S., & Sternad, D. "Pitchers and Pianists: A Large-scale Study on Discrete and Rhythmic Timing." *In Preparation*.

Harrigian, K. "Geocoding Without Geotags: A Text-based Approach for reddit." *In Proceedings of the 4th Workshop on Noisy User-generated Text (EMNLP)*. 2018.

Gundogdu, A., Sanghvi, A., & **Harrigian, K**. "Recognizing Film Entities in Podcasts." *In Proceedings of the 1st Workshop on Machine Learning and Data Mining for Podcasts (KDD)*. 2018.

Posters and Talks

Harrigian, K. "Characterization of Stigmatizing Language in Medical Records." *The 1st International Workshop on Ethics and Bias of Artificial Intelligence in Clinical Applications*. Keynote Talk. 2023.

Sternad, D., Guo, D., & **Harrigian, K**. "Pitchers and Pianists: Timing in Discrete and Rhythmic Motor Skills." *New England Sequencing and Timing Meeting*. Talk. 2017.

Harrigian, K., Sanders, N., Foster, J., & Sanghvi, A. "When Anonymity is Not Anonymous: Gender Inference on Reddit." Won Outstanding Student Research (Computer and Information Sciences). *Northeastern Research, Innovation, and Scholarship Expo*. Poster. 2016.

Harrigian, K., Kuznetsov, N., Sternad, D. "Effects of tDCS on Precision of Finger Force Control and Rhythmic Tapping Movements." *Northeastern Research, Innovation, and Scholarship Expo*. Poster. 2015.

Honors and Awards

Oct. 2016	*Marshall Fellowship Finalist* Nominated by faculty for outstanding academic merit and ambassadorial ability
Oct. 2016	*Rhodes Scholar Nominee* Nominated by faculty for scholarly merit, social commitment, and leadership
Apr. 2016	*Outstanding Student Research (Computer and Information Sciences)* Best undergraduate poster in Computer and Information Science at Northeastern RISE 2016
Dec. 2015	*Barry Goldwater Scholarship Nominee* Research Proposal: Extreme Learning Machine for Localization of EEG in Parkinson's Patients

Grants

Apr. 2015	*Undergraduate Research and Creative Endeavors Award* $1000 to research effect of metric structure strength on motor learning of temporal rhythms
Apr. 2014	*Lawrence Award for Undergraduate Scholastic Excellence in Physics* $250 scholarship awarded to student(s) with the highest GPA in class year
Sept. 2013	*Northeastern College of Science Dean's Scholarship* $80,000 scholarship awarded to top incoming undergraduates

Academic Service

Aug. 2019 – June 2020 **Northeastern Honors Program**
Alumni Advisor
- Provide career and course guidance to two Northeastern University computer science undergraduate students

Sept. 2015 – May 2017 **Northeastern College of Science**
Peer Advising Coach and Ambassador
- Met weekly with a first-year physics undergraduate student to instill successful academic habits; curated a study schedule to address time-management issues

Sept. 2013 – Jan. 2016 **Northeastern Student Government Association**
Chair of Elections
- Raised voter turnout by 25% to a record high for campus of 18,000 undergraduates
- Reformed referendum process by increasing accountability and transparency of legislature

Community Service

Apr. 2014 – Apr. 2018 **Boston Athletic Association**
Team Captain (Recycling)
- Led recycling operations for the Boston Marathon Finish Area
- Supervised team of 40+ volunteers in collection of recyclable goods and trash

Jan. 2009 – Aug. 2014	**Golden Retriever Club of Greater Los Angeles Rescue** *Volunteer and Foster* ▪ Served as caretaker for over 40 dogs; assisted in their transportation to medical appointments ▪ Expedited revenue collection at several fundraisers via PayPal

Reviewing Service

Journals	Journal of Medical Internet Research (JMIR)
Conferences	Computational Linguistics and Clinical Psychology Workshop (CLPsych); International Conference on Linguistics (COLING); Meeting of the Association of Computational Linguistics (ACL); ACL Rolling Review (ARR)

Teaching

Spring 2021	**Deep Learning**. Johns Hopkins University. Teaching Assistant. Graduate and Undergraduate.

Advising

Mar. 2023 – Present	**Yahan (Zoe) Li**. Johns Hopkins University. Masters Student.
Mar. 2022 – Present	**Hyun Joo Rosalyn Shin**. Johns Hopkins University. Masters Student.
Apr. 2020 – Jan. 2021	**Narayani Wagle**. Johns Hopkins University. Undergraduate Student.
Jan. 2019 – June 2019	**Aniruddah Tapas**. Warner Media Applied Analytics. Co-op Student.
Oct. 2018 – Dec. 2018	**Ryan Oakley**. Warner Media Applied Analytics. Co-op Student.
Jan. 2018 – June 2018	**Ahmet Gundogdu**. Warner Media Applied Analytics. Co-op Student.

Technical Skills

Programming Languages	Python (Advanced), Bash (Intermediate), SQL (Intermediate), R (Functional), Stan (Functional), MATLAB (Functional), C (Functional)
Computing Libraries	pandas, NumPy, SciPy, Matplotlib, PyTorch, scikit-learn, Gensim, tomotopy, NLTK
Miscellaneous	Git (Intermediate), AWS (Functional)
Certifications	National Institutes of Health Office of Extramural Research (Human Subjects)