Kevin Magnan

Highly skilled, motivated, and passionate data analyst and visualizer committed to leading data driven, scalable civic solutions for complex public sector problems.

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of Chicago Urban Labs

Research Manager, Chicago, IL, 2017 - Present

- Lead and mentor a team of embedded research analysts tasked with developing and improving city and county government agencies and nonprofits capacity to utilize data and make better informed, data-driven decisions in response to new and emerging trends.
- Manage a diverse portfolio and lead project teams collaborating with local, state, and federal government agencies and nonprofits to measure and evaluate criminal justice initiatives, expand public 'open source' data access and transparency, and improve internal reporting through supports like technical and analytical assistance.
- Work closely with research directors and data scientists to structure, define, test, and scale methodological approaches to hard problems for government partners to improve public safety and lessen the harms resulting from involvement with the criminal justice system.
- Utilize statistics and predictive analysis, automation, geospatial analysis, and intelligence reports from fieldwork to derive clear, actionable, and timely insights for policymakers, communicated through updated Tableau interactive dashboards, data visualizations, and reports designed to guide decision-making citywide public safety and public health outcomes on large, complex, and sensitive data sets.
- Actively identify, design, and manage development of new opportunities for public sector and nonprofit projects.
- Develop on-boarding and professional development materials and administer new hire on-boarding and professional development trainings for internal and partnering agency staff, fostering collaboration and learning within the company and across partnering agencies.
- Organize and host events and conferences, including a nationwide, first-of-its-kind professional development conference/datathon for crime analysts in Chicago, IL (2019).
- Manage internal ad-hoc data analysis requests and coordinate requirements across multiple teams.
- Manage and report on existing funding sources and federal grants on a portfolio of projects.
- Author persuasive reports and present on project outcomes for government officials, academic and nonprofit partners, and funders on a portfolio of projects.

EDUCATION

Master of Arts Program in the Social Sciences, 2017, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

Master of Science, Criminal Justice Administration, 2014, Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, MO
Graduate Masters High Honors

Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice, 2012, Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, MO
Magna Cum Laude

CERTIFICATIONS

Tableau Desktop Specialist (2019)

SKILLS

Data analysis and visualization.

R, Tableau, GIS software, SQL, GeoDa, collaborative coding tools like Github and Tableau Server, and Microsoft Office Suite.

Manipulating and analyzing large, sensitive, and complex datasets.

Project management, evaluation, and quality assurance.

Relationship building and collaboration with stakeholders and partners.

Written and verbal communicator of complex problems with research and data.

Strategic thinking, problem solving, and troubleshooting.

Providing guidance, oversight, and mentorship to staff and partners with varying levels of data literacy.

Self-motived, capable of working independently and with strong team collaboration.

Additional Experience

Graduate Assistant

Metropolitan Planning Council, 2016 – 2017
Southeast Missouri State University, 2012 – 2014

- Assisted researchers and professors with literature review and summary, quantitative and geospatial analysis, and assumed the role of teacher of record for collegiate classes.

Police Officer

Saint Louis County Police Department, 2014 – 2016

- Performed various sworn police officer duties as assigned.

References available upon request.