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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of Chicago Urban Labs

Research Manager, Chicago, IL, 2017 - Present

- Manage a team of embedded research analysts tasked with developing city and county government agencies capacity to utilize data and make better informed, data-driven decisions in response to new and emerging trends.
- Manage a diverse portfolio of project teams collaborating with local, state, and federal partners to measure and evaluative criminal justice initiatives, expand public 'open source' data access and transparency, and improve internal reporting through supports like technical and analytical assistance.
- Develop, implement, and test strategies with local government partners designed to improve public safety and lessen the harms resulting from involvement with the criminal justice system.
- Utilizing GIS, visual analytics, coding, automation, predictive analytics, and intelligence reports from the field, provide analyses to policymakers to assist in improving citywide public safety and public health outcomes.
- Actively identify, design, and manage the rollout of data-driven tools, software, and reforms, overcoming intelligence gaps and furthering data-driven efforts within city and county governments.
- Develop and administer on-boarding and professional development training courses on data manipulation, analysis techniques and software, and coding internal and partner agency staff.
- Organize and host events and conferences, including a nationwide, first of a kind, professional development conference/datathon for crime analysts in Chicago, IL (2019).
- Manage and report out on existing funding sources and federal grants.
- Author regular reports and present on project outcomes for government officials, academic partners, and funders.
- Develop and maintain close relationships with city government and law enforcement agencies, funders, and academic organizations to identify opportunities for future collaboration.

University of Chicago

Graduate Student (Quantitative), Chicago, IL 2016-2017

Independently devised a research methodology, gathered data and authored graduate thesis determining relationships between community neighborhood participation with local 311 reporting and Chicago crime rates.

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

Class "A" Peace Officer License, 2015 (expires 2021), St. Louis County Municipal Police Academy, Class #183, St. Louis, MO

Best Overall Police Recruit, Top Academic Police Recruit

CERTIFICATIONS

Tableau Desktop Specialist (2019)

SKILLS

Data analysis and visualizations.

R, Tableau product suite, GIS software, SQL, and Microsoft Office Suite.

Manipulating and analyzing large, sensitive, and complex datasets.

Project management and evaluation.

Relationship building and collaboration.

Written and verbal communicator of research and data.

Problem solving and troubleshooting.

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

Metropolitan Planning Council

Research Assistant, Chicago, IL, 2016 - 2017

 Assisted the Cost of Segregation – Public Safety research team with literature review and summary, participated in meetings with academic and professional experts, and performed and presented quantitative and geospatial analysis.

Saint Louis County Police Department

Police Officer, St. Louis MO, 2014-2016

- Patrol designated areas of the County; prevent and discover the commission of crime; apprehend criminals and offender; enforce vehicle and traffic laws and make police presence known in a manner that contributes towards deterrence of law violations.
- Answer calls and radio complaints involving fires, automobile accidents, misdemeanors, felonies, and wide variety of domesticrelated disturbances including assistance with mentally or physically ill persons, neglected children, and marital disturbances; prepare varied related case, complaint, and shift reports.
- Conduct accident investigations and preliminary investigations at the scenes of crimes; administer first aid to persons; gather evidence; locate and question witnesses; make arrests as necessitated by circumstances; seek and obtain arrest warrants and search warrants and testify as a witness in court.
- Establish traffic control and police protection at fires and other incidents which may attract crowds; perform police duties at parades, processions, demonstrations, and sporting events; check and report on deficient streetlights, signs, road surfaces, or other facilities which serve the public.
- Upon completion of appropriate training and education, perform specialized duties as required in the different divisions of the Department.

Southeast Missouri State University

Graduate Assistant, Cape Girardeau, MO, 2012-2014

- Assist professors and departments with research, academic instruction, and other various tasks.
- Conduct various research experiments and analyzing data.
- Design research methodologies or populating literature reviews.
- Lecture as the teacher of record for semester courses.
- Assume the role of teaching assistant and assist with teaching material.
- Administer performance evaluations of student staff.
- Assist with the management of ceremonies and campus events.