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## Summary

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- Graduating PhD student with 5 years of professional experience in applied research and software development
- Hands on experience in natural language processing, applied predictive modeling, and automated supply chain
- Currently seeking a full-time opportunity starting December 2024

## Education

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**Washington University in St. Louis**

*PhD in Computer Science*

**Aug. 2018 – December 2024 (Expected)**

*Saint Louis, Missouri*

**Westminster College**

*Bachelors in Computer Science*

**Aug. 2012 – Dec 2015**

*Fulton, Missouri*

## Technical Skills

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**Programming Languages:** Python, SQL, JAVA, R, MATLAB, HTML/CSS, JavaScript, COBOL, C++, STRUTS

**Libraries:** Pytorch, Tensorflow

**Additional Skills:** Large language models, machine learning algorithms, data analysis and evaluation, data visualization, project steering and tracking, Electronic Health Records

## Research Podium Presentation

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- **K. Bhattacharai**, I. Y. Oh, J. M. Sierra, P. R.O. Payne, Z. Abrams, A. M. Lai. “Leveraging GPT-4 for Identifying Cancer Phenotypes in Electronic Health Records: A Performance Comparison between GPT-4, GPT-3.5-turbo, Flan-T5 and spaCy’s Rule-based & Machine Learning-based methods.” *Accepted at AMIA Informatics Summit, 2024.*

## Research Posters

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- M. Zhao, I. Oh, A. Lewis, **K. Bhattacharai**, A. Kernberg, M. Nelson, P. R.O. Payne, A. M. Lai, A. Gupta, Predicting Superimposed Preeclampsia in Women with Chronic Hypertension Using Electronic Health Records Data. *Accepted at AMIA Annual Informatics Summit, 2023*
- **K. Bhattacharai**, M. Hofford, S. Yu, S. Kim, A. Gupta, A. M. Lai, P. R.O. Payne, A. Michelson, Evaluation of SOFA score for Outcome Prediction in COVID-19 ICU Patients. *Accepted at AMIA Annual Informatics Summit, 2021*

## Research Publication

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- **K. Bhattacharai**, I. Y. Oh, J. M. Sierra, P. R.O. Payne, Z. Abrams, A. M. Lai.. “Leveraging GPT-4 for Identifying Cancer Phenotypes in Electronic Health Records: A Performance Comparison between GPT-4, GPT-3.5-turbo, Flan-T5 and spaCy’s Rule-based & Machine Learning-based methods.” *Submitted to JAMIA Open, 2024.* Draft available at: <https://www.biorxiv.org/content/10.1101/2023.09.27.559788v2>
- **K. Bhattacharai**, A.M.Lai. “Knowledge Base-Guided Dynamic Prompts for Enhanced Clinical Entity Extraction in Generative Models.” *Submitted to ACL BioNLP 2024.*
- **K. Bhattacharai**, E. Hillis, I.Y. Oh, Z. B. Abrams P.R.O. Payne, A. M.Lai. “Investigating Variability in Large Language Model Outputs for Information Extraction: A case study with GPT.” *Target Journal: JAMIA 2024.*

## Experience

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**Graduate Research Assistant**

*Washington University in St. Louis*

**July 2019 – Present**

*St. Louis, Missouri*

- Innovation, planning and execution of project-level tasks on contextualized information extraction using rule-based and deep learning approaches from clinical unstructured text data.
- Execution of a project on COVID-19 comparing pre-vaccination and post-vaccination patient cohort in a multi-center study across St. Louis area using machine learning methods to evaluate model generalizability using patient Electronic Health Records.

## Full-Stack Developer

January 2016 – August 2018

*Dillard's Inc*

*Little Rock, Arkansas*

- Detailed project knowledge of point-of-sale application, merchandise supply chain application, and order lookup component of Dillards.com implemented in JAVA and GROOVY on an AIX/WebSphere platform, as well as application programs written in COBOL on a z/OS(OS/390) platform for 280 stores across United States.
- Point of contact for the 3rd party integrations including dillards.com and borderfree system during the bi-weekly batch implementation of new programs to assist with nightly on-call support.
- Subject matter expert of the supply chain business to communicate with user services in efficiently and effectively implement user-specific designs.
- Mentor to 2 incoming members of the team helping them improve knowledge and gain expertise on the technical and business side of Dillard's.

## Developer Intern

February 2015 – December 2015

*State of Missouri Information Technology Services Division*

*Jefferson City, Missouri*

- Creating and documenting test scripts using SQL
- Creating ANT Script for build automation for a web-based JAVA Application
- Performing basic quality assurance application testing
- Creating account access and performing regression testing on an internal application

## Relevant Coursework

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| • Large Language Models     | • Natural Language Processing | • Object-Oriented Programming |
| • Data Structures           | • Data Visualization          | • System Analysis and Design  |
| • Bayesian Machine Learning | • Data Mining                 | • Introduction to AI          |
| • Advanced Algorithms       | • Linear Algebra              | • Computer Architecture       |

## Leadership / Services

### Washington University in St. Louis

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| • Volunteer Member   Women in AMIA Networking/Mentoring and Lifecycle Committee | 2024-Present |
| • Volunteer Member   Women in AMIA Pathways Sub-Committee                       | 2024-Present |
| • Abstract Reviewer   AMIA Informatics Summit and AMIA Annual Symposium         | 2020-Present |
| • Events Organization and Facilitation   Women in Computer Science              | 2020-Present |
| • Assistant in Instruction   Introduction to Electronic Health Records          | 2023         |
| • Teaching   Introduction to Data Science                                       | 2021         |
| • Student Mentor   Women in Computer Science                                    | 2021         |

### Westminster College

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| • Senior Mentor for Undergraduate Freshman Class                 | 2015 |
| • Junior Class Vice-President for Student Government Association | 2014 |
| • Habitat for Humanity Chapter President                         | 2014 |

## Recognition

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| Google CS Research Mentorship Program | Spring 2021 |
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