**Week 1 Introduction**

Hello classmates!

My name is Larry Heckel, and I am looking forward to working with you all through this class and ongoing Data Science journey.

I work for Johnson & Johnson in Jacksonville, Florida, and I have been with them since 1992. I started in manufacturing and manufacturing QA, then went back to school in IT, and I’ve been working in IT for the last 21 years. I spent a number of years working in BI, and I currently work in the team supporting the digital assets (web, e-commerce, mobile, etc.) for the company.

I have no prior experience with data science or R, but I enjoy working with data, and I see opportunities in J&J for applying the skills that I’ll learn in this program.

When I am not working or spending time with my family, I enjoy physical fitness and exercise, traveling, reading, and photography.

I’m excited to be working and learning with all of you.

Larry Heckel