# MARIANA ARBOLEDA

As an educator and researcher, I integrate data science, computational thinking, and equitable education to create meaningful learning experiences. I have led initiatives to help teachers incorporate data literacy and developed data-driven processes to evaluate multiple educational projects. My classroom experience enriches my data analysis work just as much as my involvement in projects enhances the relevance and impact of my teaching.



## EDUCATION

current 2022

PhD., Education Universidad del Norte

Parranguilla, Colombia

· Data Science Education

· Advisor: Camilo Vieira, PhD

June 2025 Aug 2024

Visiting Scholar University of Virginia

Charlottesville, USA

· Fulbright scholar

· Advisor: Jennifer Chiu. PhD

2022 2019 MS Engineering Universidad EAFIT

- Medellín, Colombia
- · Applying Machine Learning Models in sales forecasting
- · GPA: 4.78/5.0

2016 2012

**BS Production Engineering** Universidad EAFIT

Medellín, Colombia

· GPA: 4.64/5.0

## SELECTED PROJECTS

Present 2024

Instructional developer Charlottesville, VA, USA

- University of Virginia
- · Designed lesson plans fostering data science with global perspectives.
- · Created instructional videos to guide educators in integrating data literacy into their practice.
- Developed assessment tools to measure the effectiveness of instructional materials and track educators' progress.

2024

Pedagogical coordinator and instructional developer

Barranguilla, Colombia

- Universidad del Norte
- Coordinated a team of 5 experts to design 30 lesson plans and evaluations for the K-11 Colombian curriculum
- · Designed lesson plans introducing computational science, and data science, and artificial intelligence concepts through unplugged and technology-based activities

2024 2022 Research assistant Barranquilla, Colombia

- Universidad del Norte
- Validating psychometric instruments for measuring Teacher well-being and socio-emotional learning of students from two different countries, and leading the report of quantitative results.

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## LANGUAGE SKILLS

R	
Python	
Bash	
SQL	

## Leading Data Analyst Barranquilla, Colombia

Universidad del Norte

- · Developed an innovative online visualization platform enabling seamless customization and download of charts, facilitating efficient data-driven analyses for the team.
- · Led a team of data analysts to collect, clean, and analyze program data, ensuring data accuracy and integrity for evidence-based decision-making.
- · Collaborated closely with other leaders and stakeholders, leveraging data insights to identify areas for improvement.
- · Pioneered the implementation of an automated evaluation process for a computational thinking maturity model.

2020

### Assistant consultant Medellín, Colombia

Universidad EAFIT

- · Worked closely with the client to ensure effective translation of their needs into the tool's features and functionalities
- · Created an intuitive user interface using Python's tkinter package for an electrical connections forecasting tool, enhancing user accessibility and usability.
- · Built a robust data processing pipeline, streamlining the input data for accurate forecasting and ensuring the tool's reliability.
- · Trained the client's in-house team on how to operate the application and interpret the forecasting results, facilitating seamless knowledge transfer and long-term usability.

## SELECTED TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Dec 2023 Jan 2023

## **Mathematics Tutoring**

Universidad del Norte - I.E El Cañahuate

Barranquilla, Colombia

- · Providing tailored mathematics tutoring sessions to high school students, with a strong emphasis on statistics, probability, and data visualization
- · Instilling an appreciation for Mathematics and its practical applications, with a focus on realworld examples and relevance
- · Utilizing various teaching resources to enhance comprehension of statistical concepts and data representation while recognizing the environmental limitations

Dec 2023 Jul 2022

## **Computational Thinking for** Everyone

Universidad del

Barranquilla, Colombia

- Teaching Computational Thinking, Data Science, and Machine Learning fundamentals for multidisciplinary students
- · Implementing a design-based research approach to refine the program using evidence from the initial offerings

Nov 2021 Apr 2021

## Computational Thinking for High School Level **Students - Remote Learning**

Universidad **EAFIT** 

Medellín, Colombia

- · Engaged students in beginner-friendly activities fostering the development of computational thinking skills
- · Encouraged collaborative learning through online platforms, creating an interactive and inclusive virtual classroom

Dec 2016 Jan 2014

## English as Second Language for Children and **Adolescents**

Universidad **FAFIT** 

• Medellin. Colombia

- · Participated in ongoing pedagogical training programs, continuously enhancing teaching
- · Designed and implemented engaging, age-appropriate curriculum

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS, POSTERS, AND TALKS 2023 Opening the Machine Learning Black Box for 2023 IEEE Frontiers in • College Station, TX, Multidisciplinary Students: Scaffolding from Education USA Conference (FIE) **GUI to Coding** · Arboleda, M., Vieira, C., & Chiu, J. L. Opening the Machine Learning Black Box for Multidisciplinary Students: Scaffolding from GUI to Coding DOI: https://doi.org/10.1109/FIE58773.2023.10343043<sup>1</sup> Interpreting Direct Sales' Demand Forecasts Using SHAP Values Production 2023 · Arboleda-Florez, M., & Castro-Zuluaga, C. · Interpreting direct sales' demand forecasts using SHAP values DOI: https://doi.org/10.1590/0103-6513.20220035<sup>2</sup> 2021 Sales Forecasting Difficulties' In Proceedings of the International • Springer Congress of Industrial Engineering International **Analysis on Colombian Direct** Publishing (ICIE2019) **Sales Companies** · Castro-Zuluaga, C. A., & Arboleda, M. · Sales Forecasting Difficulties' Analysis on Colombian Direct Sales Companies • DOI: https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-49370-7\_123 SELECTED AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, & GRANTS 2025 Fulbright scholarship - Estudiante doctoral **Fulbright** Colombia Colombia colombiano 2024 · Awarded for academic excellence and leadership potential, as part of a highly competitive selection process supporting Colombian doctoral students in international research and Full-Funded Research Project in Engineering Universidad EAFIT Colombia 2022 2019 · Awarded to fully support my master's degree in engineering, recognizing the quality and impact of my research proposal. Colombia 2016 Bachilleres por Colombia Scholarship Ecopetrol 2012 Full scholarship for the entire undergraduate program 2015 **Roberto Rocca Education** Ternium, Techint Ingeniería y Construcción and TenarisTamsa Colombia **Program Scholarship** · Awarded based on academic performance and a rigorous selection process 2014 Honorary scholarship for academic performance Universidad EAFIT Colombia

· Awarded for achieving the highest average score in my engineering program.

LINKS

- 2: https://doi.org/10.1590/0103-6513.20220035
- 3: https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-49370-7\_12