MARY WU

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EDUCATION

Northwestern University, The Graduate School, Evanston, IL

Expected 2026

Master of Science in Statistics & Data Science

Relevant courses: Advanced Regression, Introduction to Machine Learning (PhD level), Introduction to Generative AI

New York University, College of Arts & Science, New York, NY

May 2024

Bachelor of Arts in Economics & Mathematics, minor in Music | Dean's List

Relevant courses: Calculus III, Linear Algebra, Analysis, Introduction to Econometrics, Advanced Micro Theory

EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, Northwestern University Department of Statistics, Evanston, IL

Jan 2025 – Present

- Develop Bayesian methods to reconstruct historical sunspot numbers and analyze time-series data in Python/R
- Actively report on research progress in biweekly meetings with supervisor to collaboratively refine research direction and identify next steps

Research Assistant, National University of Singapore Business School, Singapore

May 2024 – Present

- Use SQL to extract and integrate financial data from BvD ORBIS, merging firm identifiers to construct comprehensive datasets for analysis
- Apply cutting-edge econometric and NLP methods to evaluate the impact of technological advancements on firms' foreign direct investment and identify underlying mechanisms using economic and international business theory

Asset Custody Intern, China International Capital Corporation, Beijing, China

Jun 2023 – Aug 2023

- Optimized financial reporting templates for 20+ private equity funds, improving processing efficiency significantly
- Drove operational success by analyzing fund performance in Excel and collaborating cross-functionally to support daily operations for 20+ multimillion-dollar funds

Marketing Intern, About Time Coffee, New York, NY

Jun 2022 – Aug 2022

- Drove ~10% monthly follower growth through negotiating influencer collaborations and writing Instagram content
- Developed social media management strategies with the CEO, boosting brand visibility and foot traffic

PROJECTS

2024 US General Elections Prediction

Nov 2024

- Developed Bayesian simulation models to analyze and visualize large-scale polling data in Python
- Outperformed mainstream forecasts by correctly predicting the 2024 presidential election outcome

SKILLS

Technical: Python (NumPy, pandas, SciPy, Matplotlib, Scikit-learn, PyTorch), SQL, R, Excel, GitHub

Language: Fluent in Mandarin Chinese, basic knowledge of Spanish and Korean

HONORS & AWARDS

National Merit Scholarship Finalist

2020

UKMT Intermediate Mathematical Olympiad and Kangaroo, Certificate of Distinction

2017

LEADERSHIP AND SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT

Class Moderator, Kellogg School of Management, Evanston, IL

Apr 2025 – Present

- Maintain a high-quality classroom experience for MBA students by making real-time decisions to resolve technical issues, address questions, and drive engagement
- Foster strong relationships with students and faculty, tailoring support strategies to promote individual success

Senior Dance Instructor, KNESIS NYU, New York, NY

Jan 2022 - May 2024

- Supervised recruitment efforts, collaborating with board members to organize social events attended by 200+
- Led and instructed dance classes of 50+ in attendance, with performances reaching over 80,000 views on YouTube