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Education

Ph.D. in Statistics

2013 - 2018

University of Virginia

- Dissertation: Creating Fingerprint Databases and a Bayesian Approach to Quantify Dependencies in Evidence
- Advisor: Dan Spitzner

M.S. in Statistics 2009 - 2010

University of Tennessee-Knoxville

B.S. in Mathematics 2005 - 2009

University of Tennessee-Knoxville

Academic Appointments

Assistant Professor of the Practice

2018 - present

Duke University, Department of Statistical Science

Teaching Experience

Duke University

• STA 210: Regression Analysis

Fall 2018

University of Virginia

• STAT 1100: An Introduction to Statistics

Spring 2018, Fall 2017,

Spring 2017, Fall 2016, Spring 2016, Fall 2015, Summer 2015

• STAT 2120: Introduction to Statistical Analysis

Summer 2017, Summer 2016

Virginia Commonwealth University

• SLWK 609: Foundations of Research in Social Work Practice

Spring 2017

University of Tennessee-Knoxville

• STAT 201: Introduction to Statistics

Fall 2010, Spring 2010

Professional Experience

Senior Statistician 2013

Capital One, Richmond, VA

Developed the first generation of statistical models to perform deposit forecasts for Capital One Bank.

Statistician 2011 - 2012

Capital One, Richmond, VA

Designed experiments for mail marketing campaigns in Capital One Bank.

Presentations & Posters

- Panelist, Teaching Large Classes in Statistics Using Active Learning Spaces. Innovation in Pedagogy Summit, Charlottesville, VA, May 2016.
- Clustering High-Dimensional Categorical Data Using a Bayesian Finite Mixture Model. Quantitative Collaborative Fellows Poster Session, Charlottesville, VA, April 2017.
- Understanding Variability Between Groups of Sequences Using a Bayesian Object-Oriented Data Model. Joint Statistical Meeting, Seattle, WA, August 2016.
- Understanding Object-Oriented Data Using Optimal Matching. Quantitative Collaborative Fellows Poster Session, Charlottesville, VA, April 2015.

Honors and Awards

Graduate Teaching Award Nominee. University of Virginia, 2018.

Course Design Institute Fellowship. University of Virginia, 2016.

Summer Research Fellowship. Department of Statistics, University of Virginia, 2014 - 2017.

Professional Memberships

American Statistical Association

Center for Statistics and Applications in Forensic Evidence