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## EDUCATION

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**Yale University**, New Haven, CT

December 2022

*Sociology and Statistics and Data Science*, GPA: 3.8

**Thesis:** Natural language processing of breast cancer patient forums, advocacy work, and matched data analysis on impact of cultural framing on funding success

**Relevant Coursework:** Machine Learning, Probability Theory, Data Engineering

**Awards:** Cohen Summer Public Service Fellowship awarded to fund data science research and data system development at Credit Counseling Services of Savannah over 2021 summer

## EXPERIENCE

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**Consumer Credit Counseling Services of Savannah**, Savannah, GA

*Data Science & Data Systems Architect Fellow*

Summer 2021 - Current

- Replaced manual data reporting and analysis with fully automated system with features such as survey management, automatic data analysis, and up-to-date report generation on client feedback and outcomes
- Identified inefficiencies in company's manual data collection and reporting process
- Developed web-based user-interface and dashboard with automated data flow using google cloud technology

*Data Analyst Intern*

Summer 2020

- Leveraged survey results and administrative data to conduct study on efficiency of services for 500+ clients over 10 years
- Aggregated, filtered, and cleaned survey and administrative data and provided descriptive statistical analytics
- Presented data report containing analysis on efficiency of company's debt-management services that clearly outlined key insights and solutions to drive improvements

**Data 2 the People**, *Data Science Fellow*, New Haven, CT

Summer 2021

- Successfully delivered data-collection and analysis solution in 8 weeks that resulted in informed decisions based in sound statistical models for local violence prevention program
- Designed and created web-based interactive data visualization to present urgent need for funding using D3.js
- Researched industry strategies and outcomes and analyzed national and state level data trends to set up comparison metrics and identify key performance indicators to inform data collection processes

**Metis**, *Data Scientist*, NYC, NY

Spring 2021

Accredited 14-week Data Science and Machine Learning immersive focused on data wrangling, statistical modeling, supervised & unsupervised machine learning, deep learning, NLP, and data visualization.

Most Recent **Projects** from Metis (*see more on my website/github*):

- Plant Classification with Neural Network: Leveraging deep learning to create an app that can classify a plant by an image of its leaf.
- Universal Healthcare NLP: Topic Modeling & Sentiment Analysis done on tweets discussing universal healthcare
- NYC COVID Transit Guide: Interactive visual travel guide using MTA traffic data to suggest optimal travel times and routes for safe travel using public transit

## LEADERSHIP

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**Yale VITA**, *Co-Director of Operations & Shift Coordinator*, New Haven, CT

October 2019 - Current

- Create and maintain new virtual platform for tax preparation volunteering and operations management of VITA chapter
- Manage shifts that total ~\$27,000 in refunds for clients per shift.

**Yale Queer + Asian** *Co-President*, New Haven, CT

January 2019 - Current

- Oversee and organize six major social events, speaker events, discussion events, along with weekly dinners.
- Set meeting agenda and lead meetings with other board members to create a safe space for Yale's Queer and Asian community.

## SKILLS AND INTERESTS

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*Computer & Data Science:* Python, Pandas, Numpy, SQL, JS, Tableau, Bokeh, PowerBI, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, NLP, Data Engineering, R, Bayesian Statistics, Sequence Modeling, APIs, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Classification, Regression, PySpark, MongoDB, Python Django, Keras, GCP Cloud Functions & Storage, Web Scrapping, Collaboration, Teamwork

*Interests:* Music (Electric Guitar & Dance), Martial Arts (Shotokan Karate)