# Mikaela Connell

New York, NY | 845-499-3167 | mconnell18@students.claremontmckenna.edu | GitHub | Portfolio | Blog | LinkedIn

# **DATA ANALYST**

Data analyst with a strong foundation in SQL, Python, and data visualization, with a background in healthcare and marketing. Skilled in building scalable analytics tools, analyzing behavioral data, and translating insights into strategy. Passionate about applying data to improve user experiences.

#### **KEY SKILLS**

SQL • Python (pandas for ETL & transformation, NumPy, matplotlib, scikit-learn) • Tableau • Looker (basic) • Excel • Data Cleaning • EDA • Predictive Modeling • Regression • Git • Jupyter • ETL Processes • A/B Testing • APIs • Cloud (learning AWS)

### **RELEVANT PROJECTS**

#### MacroBTC Insights - Github | Streamlit

A crypto forecasting app using macroeconomic indicators and machine learning

- Designed and implemented a multi-source ETL pipeline to ingest and transform macroeconomic data (FRED API, CoinGecko, etc.)
- Engineered and deployed an XGBoost model for Bitcoin forecasting with an interactive dashboard using Streamlit

### Vehicle Sales Analysis - Github

- Developed an XGBoost regression model to predict used vehicle prices with a test R<sup>2</sup> score of 0.97
- Visualized price distributions, feature relationships, and model performance using Matplotlib and Seaborn to support interpretability
- Cleaned, transformed, and mapped raw vehicle data into an analysis ready schema

### **RELEVANT EXPERIENCE**

# Data Analyst | Freelance | Data Annotation

April 2025 - Present

- Analyzed and annotated datasets to improve the performance of large language models powering AI tools
- Applied structured evaluation rubrics to assess model output and support continuous improvement
- Documented data evaluation workflows and supported feedback loop between product and data teams

### **Registered Nurse**

May 2022 - December 2024

Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center & New York Presbyterian Hospital - New York, NY

- Managed patient care for a diverse population, applying analytical skills to monitor, interpret, and act on patient data to provide optimal care in high-pressure environments
- Utilized electronic health records (EHR) systems to document patient information, ensuring accuracy and facilitating seamless communication between medical teams
- Collected and analyzed patient data to identify patterns and inform decision-making in acute care settings

#### Account Manager | Paid Search Analyst

June 2018 - September 2019

Metric Theory - New York, NY

- Managed strategy and planning for 10+ brand accounts, overseeing \$1M in media spend
- Delivered data-driven recommendations to optimize paid media performance and maximize ROI
- Collaborated across creative, data, and client teams to support multi-channel go-to-market strategies
- Translated business requirements into actionable reporting strategies, improving campaign tracking

# Financial Analyst

June 2017 - August 2017

Cantor Fitzgerald - New York, NY

- Rotated across multiple desks, including Emerging Markets and Equities Sales & Training, gaining exposure to financial markets, trade execution, and client interactions
- Pitched investment ideas to senior traders and sales staff, supporting ideas with market research and data analysis
- Created and updated liquidity reports in Excel, organizing raw data into actionable charts and summaries

#### **EDUCATION**

### Flatiron School, New York, NY - Data Science Bootcamp

April 2025

Focus: Machine Learning, Statistics, Business Analytics, SQL, Python, Data Visualization

### New York University, New York, NY

December 2021

**Bachelor of Science Nursing** 

### Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, CA

May 2018