# Nathan A. Maldonado

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#### **EDUCATION**

**Duke University,** Durham, NC | B.A. in Computer Science, Linguistics, and Psychology

**Expected May 2026** 

- Overall GPA: 3.7
- University Scholar: Full-ride merit scholarship funded by the Gates Foundation at Duke University;
- **SPIRE Fellow:** Fellowship for high-achieving minority students in STEM;
- **Huang Fellow:** Fellowship integrating ethics, policy, and social implications into scientific research;
- SOL Fellow Awardee: A national leadership program with a focus in implementing systemic political change.

## Clovis North High School, Fresno, CA

Aug 2018 - Jun 2022

• Honors/Awards: Valedictorian, State Seal of Biliteracy: Spanish and French, Lifetime Perfect Attendance

#### WORK EXPERIENCE AND PROJECTS

Magnet Media, Business Development and Technology Intern, New York, NY

May 2025 - Present

- Led data-driven market research for Tech and Financial Service clients, informing outreach strategies
- Collaborated cross-functionally with marketing and creative teams to align brand and strategy positioning
- Researched applications of AI in sales enablement, contributing insights on emerging tools and automation trends

### Statistical Analysis System (SAS), Consumer Sentiment Analysis, Durham, NC

Jan 2024 - May 2024

- Analyzed over 30,000 store reviews to identify customer sentiment, geographic patterns, and temporal trends
- Collaborated on data-driven investigation into McDonald's location, service, and food strategies (SAS Viya)
- Presented corporate and business strategies to SAS's Natural Language Processing product team

## Duke University, Huang Research Fellow, Durham, NC

May 2023 - Aug 2023

- Investigated the relationship between corpus adjustments and bias production in artificially generated text
- Partnered with field specialists to identify the generative limitations of chatbots in creative disciplines
- Attempted solution designs for expanding corpora for low-resource languages, including K'iche' Maya

### **Duke University Basketball**, Home Court Advantage Investigation, Durham, NC

Jan 2023 - May 2023

- Managed statistical inference, data combing and wrangling, and visualization measures under mentor oversight
- Led data scraping procedures (Python) to organize free throw ratings, percentages, and location to identify bias
- Conducted t-testing and other statistical methods (Pandas) to frame data-driven support for hypothesis testing

## LEADERSHIP & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Tulane Mayan Language Institute, Undergraduate Fellow, Quetzaltenango, Guatemala

May 2024 - Aug 2024

- Researched native Guatemalan histories in K'iche' Maya to service broader indigenous revival efforts
- Engaged with local scholars and representatives to discern issues regarding language identity and prosperity

# Mi Gente: Duke Center for Multicultural Affairs, Undergraduate Ambassador, Durham, NC Jan 2023 - Present

- Designated mentor for the incoming first-year class of Latino students at Duke University for the past two years
- Served on several committees and executive boards, including Programming, Publicity, and Community Interactions/Alumni Affairs

### Bull City Scholars, Academic Representative, Durham, NC

Jan 2023 - Present

- Volunteer as a Spanish translator (ESL) at Neal Magnet Middle School for mathematics courses
- Personalized adaptive teaching strategies to meet the needs of underserved student groups

### **SKILLS & INTERESTS**

Technical Skills: Python (Pandas, NumPy, matplotlib), Java, C++, Front-End (JS/HTML/CSS), SAS Viya, Excel Data Science: Data wrangling, statistical testing (t-tests, ANOVA), data scraping, sentiment analysis, data visualization Languages: Spanish (Fluent), French (Conversational), K'iche' Maya (Conversational)

Interests: AI Ethics, Digital Accessibility, Psychological Thrillers, Student Activism, Camping

## **REFERENCES**

Mary Osborne, Senior Product Manager of Natural Language Processing at SAS (mary.osborne@sas.com) Victoria Lodewick, Director, University Scholars Program at Duke University (victoria.lodewick@duke.edu)