

Nicholas Taylor

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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Business Process Optimization
- Strategic Planning
- Project Management
- Data Strategy & Governance
- Data Gathering & Analysis
- Data Visualization
- Advanced SQL (PostgreSQL, MySQL)
- Tableau
- Snowflake / AWS

EXPERIENCE

Nike, Summa Linguae Technologies

Beaverton, OR

Data Analyst

Mar 2023 – Oct 2024

- Spearheaded the establishment of Data and Analytics capabilities for Nike's Globalization department, driving the development of strategic roadmaps for enhanced operational efficiency and automation.
- Developed comprehensive documentation for processes, data workflows, and tools, ensuring streamlined operations and facilitating knowledge sharing across teams.
- Led requirements gathering, data analysis, report creation, and interactive dashboard development to support critical business initiatives, contributing directly to informed decision-making and organizational success.
- Designed and managed a financial model for budgeting, optimizing resource allocation and financial planning.
- Collaborated with engineering teams to ensure data quality, cleansing, integration, and migration, fostering a culture of data-driven decision-making and continuous improvement.
- Played a pivotal role in shaping language strategy and ensuring global readiness across all initiatives.
- TOOLS: Amazon Web Services (AWS), Snowflake, Databricks, Tableau, SQL, Confluence, Jira, Excel.

Cura CS

Portland, OR

Manager of Analytics

Jul 2016 – Dec 2019

- Established and operationalized the Data and Analytics department, orchestrating all facets from inception to full functionality. This included responsibilities such as talent acquisition, onboarding, and continuous skill development of analysts, as well as the design and implementation of policies, procedures, and reporting frameworks.
- Led the successful deployment of an Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system, driving a meticulous data cleanup and restructuring effort to ensure seamless migration and optimal data integrity.
- Architected custom database solutions using SQL, creating dynamic real-time dashboards tailored for C-suite executives, empowering them with actionable insights and facilitated precise sales forecasting, manufacturing optimization, and inventory management.
- Innovated and maintained a suite of advanced analytical tools, including data tracking mechanisms, forecasting models, and automated reporting systems.

The Standard Insurance Company

Portland, OR

Financial Analyst

May 2015 – Jul 2016

- Managed financial liabilities, presenting monthly and quarterly results to senior management, resulting in improved financial oversight and decision-making.
- Prepared and reported monthly financial KPI's regarding headcount, compensation, and expenses.
- Collaborated with senior management on annual budgeting and forecasting.

Intuit

Woodland Hills, CA

Senior Credit Analyst

Mar 2013 – May 2015

- Established and operationalized the Credit Risk Analysis department, orchestrating all facets from inception to full functionality. This included responsibilities such as talent acquisition, onboarding, and continuous skill development of analysts, as well as the design and implementation of policies, procedures, and reporting frameworks.
- Conducted financial analysis and due diligence on the high-risk merchant accounts, mitigating financial risk.

EDUCATION

Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey

Monterey, CA

MBA / Master of Business Administration (International Finance and Economics)

Aug 2012

California State University Monterey Bay

Monterey, CA

BA / Bachelor of Arts (Japanese Language and Culture)

May 2007

CERTIFICATIONS

- **Data Analytics Professional Certificate**, Google 2024
- **Accounting Certificate**, UCLA Extension 2015
- **Certified Associate in Project Management (CAPM)**, Project Management Institute 2011

SKILLS

Technical Skills:

AWS, Business Analysis, Business Intelligence, Corporate Finance, Data Analysis, Data Governance, ETL, Financial Analysis, Financial Modeling, Forecasting, Git, GitHub, Google Cloud Platform, Google Looker Studio, Jupyter Notebook, Microsoft 365, Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint), pgAdmin4, PostgreSQL, PowerBI, R, RStudio, Salesforce, Snowflake, SQL, SQL Server, Tableau, Workday

Soft Skills:

Agile Methodologies, Analytical Thinking, Attention to Detail, Budgeting, Business Process Optimization, Critical Thinking, Data Strategy, Data Storytelling, Leadership, Project Management, Process Management, Process Optimization, Report Writing, Risk Management, Strategic Planning, Team Collaboration, Training

LANGUAGES

English – Native

Japanese – Limited Working Proficiency

Mandarin – Elementary Proficiency