# **Rahul Thaker**

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#### **Education**

### **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**

Aug 2022 - May 2024

Master of Science in Information Management

Coursework: Data, Statistical Models; Data Warehousing, Business Intelligence; Information consulting

#### K.J. Somaiya Institute of Engineering and Information Technology

Aug 2018 - June 2022

Bachelor of Technology in Computer Engineering

CPI: 9.25/10

Coursework: Applied Data Science; Distributed Computing; Database Management Systems; Machine learning;

Applied Mathematics; Social Media Analytics; Artificial Intelligence; Big Data analytics

**Skills** 

**Languages:** Python, SQL, R, C, C++, HTML, Javascript

**Frameworks:** Pandas, Numpy, Matplotlib, Flask, OpenCV, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Keras, Scikit-learn, MongoDB Tableau, Git, AWS, Heroku, Postman, Google Data Studio, Jupyter Notebook, Excel, MS Office Suite

Certifications: IBM Data Science Professional, IBM Artificial Intelligence Engineer

**Experience** 

## National Center for Supercomputing Applications | UIUC, Illinois | Graduate Research Student

Aug 2022-Present

- Develop a course specific chatbot using ODQA framework with a team of 11 students
- Implementing Natural language processing models, text-DaVinci API from Open AI and hugging face models
- Integrating and understanding natural language understanding platforms like IBM Watson and Dialogflow

## Teach For India | Mumbai, India | Data Engineer Intern | IEEE paper

Aug 2021- May 2022

- Streamlined the data collection process and directly connecting the Salesforce database to the analytics solution which eliminated the need for Excel sheets
- Automated the process of analysis, visualization and generating reports and published a paper titled 'Statistical analysis, ETL automation and Intelligence Reporting' at the CONIT conference by IEEE Bangalore
- Improved the accuracy of the selection model by 30% by generating new insights and statistical co-relations

#### Pingzee, ZeeQ | Noida, India | Data analyst Intern

Sept 2020 - Jan 2021

- Developed a real-time reporting system with the ability to recommend changes based on behavior of
  infrastructure using analytics libraries like Pandas, NumPy and visuals using the scripting layer of Matplotlib
- Performed Time-series data analytics of backup metadata using Seasonal ARIMA model
- Automated the process of generating highlights, alerts and notifying the clients using Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (SMTP) connection and creating Multipurpose Internet Mail Extension (MIME) objects

### Semantics Solution | Mumbai, India | AWS Intern

July 2021 – Aug 2021

- Understood the client needs and implemented IAM roles and policies using JSON notation
- Created and configured VPCs, Subnets, ACLs and route tables based on the requirements of the solution
- Deployed solutions based on the right set of EC2 compute, storage and database services

### **Projects**

#### **Neutralit – Twitter Sentiment Analysis**

- Twitter sentiment analysis daily using the Twitter API and Python natural language processing libraries, creating visuals using matplotlib and seaborn and generating reports for trending topics
- The website is deployed on http://neutralit.herokuapp.com/. and built using web development frameworks like JavaScript, HTML, CSS and a Django backend

# Marketing Analysis - Saint Louis University

- Processed and gathered data from social media including attributes like clicks, costs per click, reach etc.
- Saved Rs 7500+ monthly of a small-scale company called Globalshala by analyzing more than 20 different marketing campaigns and performing Exploratory and explanatory data analysis
- Led a group of 5 members and presented the research and findings to the shareholders

# Result analysis - Data Analytics Pipeline for Automation

- Developed a Web API based on Flask to analyze semester results, provides customized visuals and reports based on the input parameters by directly utilizing the PDF file given by Mumbai university
- Currently being used by K.J. Somaiya Institute of Engineering and Information Technology faculty to write SQL queries, generate graphs and create reports saving the faculty, resources and manpower

#### **Leadership and Teaching Experience**

- Grader for the 'Foundations of Data curation' course offered by the computer science department at UIUC
- Chief Executive Officer of American Chemical Society at KJSIEIT 2021-22
- Organizing head of Computer Society of India at KJSIEIT 2020-21