Rayna M. Harris

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PROFILE

Completing a doctoral degree with a strong foundation in bioinformatics Five years of data science experience and ten years of teaching experience

Excellent written, oral, and visual communication skills

Passionate about empowering trainees through hands-on education and mentoring

EDUCATION

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

Ph.D. Cell & Molecular Biology, Expected Dec. 2017

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

B.S. BIOCHEMISTRY, DEC. 2006

EXPERIENCE

SOFTWARE CARPENTRY & DATA CARPENTRY January 2015 - present

INSTRUCTOR

- Teach hands-on workshops on topics including R for Reproducible Scientific Analysis, The UNIX Shell, and Version Control with Git
- Developing curricula for a workshop on Reproducbile Research with Jupyter Notebook

INSTRUCTOR TRAINER & MENTOR

- Teach and develop the instructor training curricula
- Host on-line discussion sessions for instructors around the globe
- Building our community of Spanish-speaking instructors

LEADERSHIP

- Developing and implementing strategic goals as an elected Board Member
- Facilitating a merger of these two non-profit organizations

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN Oct 2008 - Dec 2017 | Austin, TX SCIENTIST

- Thesis topic: Neurogenomics of Avoidance Learning
- Data Science Skills: Bioinformatics, data visualization, High performance computing (HPC), Git and GitHub, Łata, Python, R, R Markdown, statistics, and UNIX.

COMMUNICATION

- Published 12 journal articles and 2 book chapters
- Written 40 blog posts about professional development and research
- Given 14 public talks and presented posters at 15 scientific conferences

TRAINING AND OUTREACH COORDINATOR

- Organized the Annual Big Data in Biology Summer School and Symposia
- Applied for and received grants for special projects and events

MARINE BIOLOGICAL LABORATORIES 2013 - present | Woods Hole, MA COURSE DEVELOPER

- Develop new curricula for teaching molecular biology and bioinformatics to graduate students and post-docs in the the 8-week Neural Systems & Behavior Course
- Supervise independent student research projects
- Manage the Neural Systems & Behavior Facebook and Twitter accounts

HONORS & AWARDS

2017	Berkeley Data Science Institute Fellowship
2016	University Graduate Continuing Fellowship
2016	Outstanding Graduate Student Academic En

2016 Outstanding Graduate Student Academic Employee Award 2014,15,16 Academic Enrichment Fund Award

2004 International Education Scholarship