Samuel A. Barnett

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EDUCATION

Princeton University

Princeton, NJ

PhD student, Dept. of Computer Science; Daniel M. Sachs Scholar at Princeton

Sep. 2018 - Present

University of Oxford

Oxford, UK

Master of Mathematics and Philosophy; First Class; Avg. Mark: 79

Oct. 2014 - Jul. 2018

Ilford County High School

London, UK

5 A*s at A Level, 1 A at AS Level, 13 A*s at GCSE

Sep. 2007 - Jul. 2014

Papers

- Samuel A. Barnett. 2018. Convergence Problems in Generative Adversarial Networks (GANS) (Master's dissertation). University of Oxford.
- Samuel A. Barnett. 2018. What decision theory provides the best procedure for identifying the best action available to a given artificially intelligent system? (Master's thesis). University of Oxford.

EXPERIENCE

UNIQ Summer School

Oxford, UK

Ambassador

Jul. 2018 - Aug. 2018

- Mathematics Tutoring: Worked with A-Level students through challenging, undergraduate-level mathematical problems.
- Admissions Preparation: Advised prospective students on the University of Oxford undergraduate application process.

Machine Intelligence Research Institute

Berkeley, CA

AI Summer Fellow

Sep. 2017

- AI Alignment: Discussed and acquired knowledge of AI alignment-relevant technical research, with focus on reflection, logical uncertainty, and decision theory.
- Rationality: Developed skills in applied and epistemic rationality, designed to help one navigate philosophically uncharted territory in AI safety research.

Mathematical Institute

Oxford, UK

Summer Researcher

Jul. 2017 - Aug. 2017

• Machine Learning: Produced a Python package to perform classification tasks on sequentially ordered data, based on the research of my supervisor, Prof. Harald Oberhauser.

Giving What We Can: Oxford

Oxford, UK

President

Apr. 2016 - Mar. 2017

- Strategy: Managed a team of students who co-ordinated strategy, self-analysis, events, social media publicity, and fund-raising for the chapter and recommended charities.
- **Big Match Campaign**: Raised a total of £39,000 in support of the Against Malaria Foundation during two campaigns in November 2015 and February-March 2017.

Deutsche Bank

London, UK

Summer Analyst

Jun. 2016 - Aug. 2016

- Emerging Markets: Wrote a comparable analysis of the credit profile of a large multilateral development bank using bond data from Bloomberg.
- Financial Research: Produced presentations analysing impact of peer-to-peer lending on the regulated financial industry, and the use of fixed income ETF flow as a wider flow metric.

Weizmann Institute

Rehovot, Israel

Researcher

Jun. 2014 - Jul. 2014

- MATLAB: Created a stochastic model of the optical properties of a quantum dot nanoparticle using MATLAB.
- Statistics: Jointly produced a report entitled *Photon statistics of nano-emitters Pulse leakage distorts perfect antibunching* and presented it to a lay audience.

Galapagos Islands, Ecuador TEFL Teacher Aug. 2013

- o Curriculum Design: Assisted in devising curricula for the teaching of English as a foreign language suitable to students aged between 5 and 13 years.
- Teaching: Individually and jointly conducted English lessons in Spanish for Ecuadorean students aged between 5 and 13 years.

AWARDS

- Part B Gibbs Prize: Highest mark in third-year Mathematics and Philosophy (Philosophy papers).
- Faculty of Philosophy Prize: Highest mark in Prelims Mathematics and Philosophy (Philosophy papers).
- Scholarship at Worcester College: Received for performance in Prelims examinations.

Societies and Hobbies

- Gymnastics Half Blue: Received Half Blue and Half Colours for performance in the 2016 and 2018 Oxford and Cambridge Varsity Gymnastics Competition, respectively.
- University Challenge: Represented Worcester College, Oxford in the 2016-17 season.
- Music: Composed, recorded, and performed as part of a five-piece jazz/hip-hop fusion outfit.

Programming Skills

- Languages: Python, Julia, JavaScript, and WebPPL.
- Coursera: Machine Learning, Deep Learning Specialisation.