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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Applied Mathematics, Statistics, and Scientific Computation, University of Maryland, College Park
Scientific Computing Track, Expected Summer 2022

GPA: 4.0/4.0

M.S. Applied Mathematics, Statistics, and Scientific Computation, University of Maryland, College Park
August 2017 - May 2020

GPA: 4.0/4.0

Bachelor of Arts, State University of New York (SUNY) Geneseo

Majors: Mathematics and Economics

Minor: Edgar Fellows Honors Program

August 2013 - May 2017

GPA: 4.0/4.0, *Summa cum laude*

SKILLS

Technical Skills	Optimization, Operations Research, Scientific Computation, Statistics
Computing Languages	Python & MATLAB (Intermediate), R (Beginner)
Software & Tools	LaTeX (Intermediate), Excel (Beginner)

PUBLICATIONS

Allen, Stephanie, John P. Dickerson, and Steven A. Gabriel. "Using Inverse Optimization to Learn Cost Functions in Generalized Nash Games." *arXiv preprint arXiv:2102.12415* (2021).

Allen, Stephanie. "A Two-Stage Vehicle Routing Algorithm Applied to Disaster Relief Logistics after the 2015 Nepal Earthquake." *SIAM Undergraduate Research Online (SIURO)* (2018).

Allen, Stephanie, David Madras, Ye Ye, and Greg Zanoliti. "Change-point detection methods for body-worn video." *SIAM Undergraduate Research Online (SIURO)* (2016).

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

"A Hybrid Inverse Optimization-Stochastic Programming Framework for Network Protection," INFORMS 2020, November 2020.

"Working in Reverse: Inverse Optimization Methods for Pyomo in Online Settings," INFORMS 2019, October 2019.

"Working in Reverse: Inverse Optimization in Pyomo," Joint Mathematics Meetings 2019, January 2019.

"Solving a Stochastic Network Protection Problem with Complementarity Constraints using the Pyomo and PySP Open Source Packages," East Coast Optimization Meeting 2019, April 2019.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Dissertation Project 1	January 2020 - February 2021
<i>Using Inverse Optimization to Learn Cost Functions in Generalized Nash Games</i>	

- Extended a method in the inverse optimization literature to the case of generalized Nash equilibrium games
- Wrote extensive code for transportation problem numerical experiments to demonstrate the framework. Code can be found here: https://github.com/sallen7/IO_GNEP

Advanced Scientific Computing I-II	September 2018 - May 2019
<i>Working in Reverse: Inverse Optimization Methods for Pyomo in Static and Online Settings</i>	

- Undertook as a two-semester long research project at UMD, College Park that examined inverse optimization methods
- Implemented state-of-the-art inverse optimization methods in Python with the goal of providing additional functionality for the Pyomo optimization package
- To view the code for this coursework sequence, see https://github.com/sallen7/inverse_optimization

Mathematics Honors Capstone and Edgar Fellows Honors Thesis

Sept. 2016 - May 2017

A Two-Stage Vehicle Routing Algorithm Applied to Disaster Relief Logistics after the 2015 Nepal Earthquake

- Examined vehicle routing over the course of a two-semester senior thesis project at SUNY Geneseo
- Modeled the Himalayan Disaster Relief Volunteer Group's delivery of supplies after the 2015 Nepal Earthquake as a vehicle routing problem (VRP) using Fisher and Jaikumar's two-stage method, which allocates locations to vehicles via an integer program and then uses heuristics to route the vehicles
- Created scripts for data processing, graphics production, and LaTeX table production
- Results reiterated the open nature of the VRP and the computational necessity of heuristics
- Paper selected as a finalist for the 2017 INFORMS Undergraduate O.R. Prize Competition
- Presented at the Pi Mu Epsilon 2017 Conference and won the Mathematical Association of America Environmental Mathematics Special Interest Group Student Speaker Award

Independent Research

Sept. 2015 - April 2016

Factors Influencing the Ratio of SNAP Participants to Poor People in US Counties

- Worked on independent research during my junior year of my undergraduate degree at SUNY Geneseo
- Combined multiple data sets in R in order to carry out regression analysis regarding the factors that influence SNAP participation among impoverished people in the US
- Presented the research in April 2016 at the SUNY Undergraduate Research Conference (SURC), at the MAA Seaway Section Meeting, and at GREAT Day (SUNY Geneseo's Research Day)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory

May 2018 - Present

Graduate Student Intern

- Worked on problems involving data fusion and modeling
- Responsible for developing new algorithms and models for Lab problems
- Written technical reports for the Lab about research
- Supervised a college student on a statistics project during Summer 2018

Institute for Pure and Applied Mathematics (IPAM) at UCLA

June 2016 - August 2016

Research in Industrial Projects for Students (RIPS) LAPD Team Project Manager

- Collaborated on a two-stage framework to detect salient changes in LAPD body-worn video
- Developed and implemented via MATLAB statistical methods/algorithms to detect significant shifts in time series data
- Supervised team progress, represented the team in RIPS program meetings, and interfaced with LAPD sponsors as the team's Project Manager
- Published paper through SIAM Undergraduate Research Online (SIURO) entitled, "Change-point Detection Methods for Body-Worn Video"
- Presented at the 2017 Joint Mathematics Meetings and the 2017 Nebraska Conference for Undergraduate Women in Mathematics (NCUWM)

Social and Decision Analytics Laboratory at Virginia Tech

May 2015 - August 2015

REU Summer Student Fellow

- Evaluated/contacted data sources and found literature for the Lab's Census Bureau Project

- Applied statistical methods via R and Excel to Census datasets with the research goal of identifying demographic groups overrepresented among the impoverished in Arlington County (dplyr and survey packages)
- Prepared working paper based on results from this independent research entitled, “Overrepresentation and Underrepresentation: Those in Need in Arlington County”

LEADERSHIP & SERVICE

Women in Mathematics (AWM Chapter at UMD, College Park) August 2018-Present

President, Vice-President, & Secretary

- Role as President (2020-2021): Manage all of the events undertaken by the organization including speaker, professional development, and social events
- Role as Vice President (2019-2020): Assisted the President with the logistics and planning for some of the speaker, professional development, and social events undertaken by the organization
- Role as Secretary (2018-2019): Took notes during meetings and contributed ideas regarding events

AMSC Program, UMD, College Park August 2019-Present

New Student Mentor

- Serve as a resource for 2-3 first year students in the AMSC Ph.D. program
- Attend events associated with the New Student Mentor program and provide advice to the students

University Senate, UMD, College Park September 2019-April 2020

Graduate Student Senator

- Reviewed and voted on new policies up for consideration in front of the University Senate

Food Security Advocates (FSA), SUNY Geneseo September 2014 - May 2017

Co-Founder/President

- Oversaw all projects of FSA, a student organization focused on fighting hunger and food insecurity
- Developed partnerships and organized events with pertinent campus, non-profit, and government organizations
- Government Projects included coordinating and sustaining a Livingston County child nutrition program through administrative communications and end-of-semester food drives (six in total) and included running pre-screening clinics and outreach events for SNAP benefits
- Campus and non-profit events included assisting with the planning of the Geneseo Martin Luther King Day of Service, organizing and participating in speaker events regarding food insecurity, running a spice drive for a program that teaches cooking skills to low income individuals, running a cooking class with a youth program, and volunteer trips to a regional foodbank
- Served on the Martin Luther King Day of Service Committee and the Advisory Committee on Volunteer & Service Programs (which chooses recipients of service awards and discusses service on campus)

HONORS & AWARDS

Graduate Fellowship for STEM Diversity (GFSD) Fall 2018 - Present

University of Maryland, College Park Flagship Fellowship Fall 2017 - Present

Phi Beta Kappa May 2016

SUNY Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence Spring 2017

SUNY Geneseo Presidential Scholar Fall 2016