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#### **EDUCATION**

**University of Pittsburgh** 

Pittsburgh, PA

Ph.D. Intelligent Systems | 2018 – Expected 2024

Major: Artificial Intelligence University of Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, PA

M.S. Intelligent Systems | 2018 – 2020

GPA: 4.0

Thesis: Bayesian Network Models with Decision Tree Analysis for Management of Childhood Malaria in

Malawi

Indira Gandhi Delhi Technical University for Women

Delhi, India

B.Tech. Computer Science and Engineering | 2014 – 2018

## **EXPERIENCE | PROJECTS**

# University of Pittsburgh, Intelligent Systems Program

Graduate Student Researcher | February 2020 - Present

• Discovery of novel associations to prevent the onset of Alzheimer's disease using largescale electronic health records. Funded by the Pitt Momentum Teaming Award (2020)

# University of Pittsburgh, School of Medicine

Research Assistant | September 2018 – February 2020

- Real-time Twitter data mining for public health research and analysis through natural language processing and machine learning techniques at the Center for Research on Media, Technology and Health using Python and resources at the Pittsburgh Supercomputing Center (PSC).
- Responsible for RITHM software framework maintenance, documentation, and upkeep of the GitHub repository. (<a href="https://github.com/CRMTH/RITHM">https://github.com/CRMTH/RITHM</a>).

# University of Pittsburgh, Department of Biomedical Informatics | Malawi, Africa Summer Short-Term Trainee Program | June – August 2019

• Developed Bayesian model for diagnosis of childhood illness in low- and middle-income countries at the Global Health Informatics Institute in Malawi.

#### **Amazon India**

## Software Development Engineer (SDE) Intern | February - July 2018

 Developed backend API's for the Seller and Retail website using Java, Spring MVC, Coral, JavaScript and Handlebars. Involved in adding order cancellation details to the Seller dashboard to supplement the seller website.

Indira Gandhi Delhi Technical University for Women Undergraduate Research Project | November 2017 – May 2018 Natural Language Processing with Python

Conceptualized an algorithm for English slang meaning selection using fuzzy
membership functions on parameters and slang definitions found on Urban Dictionary.
Developed scripts for text mining of English slang from popular social media sites,
processing of data using NLTK and Python, and execution of the algorithm.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Visweswaran S, Colditz JB, O'Halloran P, Han NR, **Taneja SB**, Welling J, Chu KH, Sidani JE, Primack BA, Machine Learning Classifiers for Twitter Surveillance of Vaping: Comparative Machine Learning Study, *J Med Internet Res* 2020;22(8):e17478, URL: <a href="https://www.jmir.org/2020/8/e17478">https://www.jmir.org/2020/8/e17478</a>, DOI: 10.2196/17478
- Sidani JE, Colditz J, Shensa A, Melcher E, Taneja SB, Hoffman BL, Davis E, James AE, Primack BA, Chu KH. Identifying Contexts and Dissemination Patterns Of Electronic Nicotine Delivery System (Ends) Misinformation On Social Media. *In Annals Of Behavioral Medicine* 2020 May 1 (Vol. 54, Pp. S186-S186)
- Hoffman BL, Colditz JB, Sidani JE, Davis EM, Taneja SB, James AE, Primck BA, Morris A, Brink L, Lynch M, Rose JJ, Chu KH. Correlation Of Twitter Data To Reported Cases Of E-cigarette Or Vaping Product Use-associated Lung Injury (EVALI). Poster Presentation. 2020 American Thoracic Society International Conference. May 17, 2020. (Canceled due to COVID)
- Abhishek, A., **Taneja**, **S. B.**, Malik, G., Anand, A., & Awekar, A., Fine-grained Entity Recognition with Reduced False Negatives and Large Type Coverage. *Presented at the Automated Knowledge Base Construction (AKBC) Conference*, 2019
- Gupta A, **Taneja SB**, Malik G, Vij S, Tayal DK, Jain A. SLANGZY: a fuzzy logic-based algorithm for English slang meaning selection. *Progress in Artificial Intelligence*. 2019 Apr 1;8(1):111-21.

### **SKILLS**

Skills: Python, C, C++, Git, JavaScript, HTML, MATLAB, SQL

Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Health Data Analytics, Clinical Decision Support, Biomedical Informatics

Libraries: NLTK, Spacy, Pandas, Scikit-learn, Jupyter Notebook, Keras

## **COURSE PROJECTS**

#### Foundations of Biomedical Informatics | Fall 2019

Utilizing clinical notes in electronic medical records (MIMIC III) to predict mortality risk in the ICU.

Natural Language Processing | Spring 2019 | <a href="https://github.com/sanyabt/NLP-CS2731">https://github.com/sanyabt/NLP-CS2731</a>
Feature analysis and multilabel, multiclass classification of emotions in short texts using Random Forest.

Machine Learning | Spring 2019 | https://github.com/sanyabt/ML-CS2750

Comparison of supervised machine learning models to predict patient no-shows in primary care hospitals.