

Sarah Warda

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EDUCATION

Johns Hopkins University – Whiting School of Engineering

September 2020 – December 2023

Masters of Science, Data Science

Baltimore, MD

- Estimated ~3.9 GPA
- Completed coursework related to programming, machine learning, advanced statistics, and higher-level calculus

Rutgers University – School of Arts and Sciences

September 2014 – May 2018

Bachelors, Major: Genetics, Minor: Psychology

New Brunswick, NJ

- *Cum Laude* honors; 3.5 GPA
- Awarded Aresty Research fellowship in 2017 for independent research project with Department of Neuroscience and Department of Genetics
- Sigma Alpha Pi – Honor Society in 2016; Dean's List throughout 2014-2018

WORK EXPERIENCE

Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

May 2018 – September 2020

Research Technician

New York, NY

- Statistical analysis and data visualization of Tumor Progression Models to assess gene manipulation significance.
- Implemented drug studies from dosing to analysis of drug efficiency; Drug studies included chemotherapy, gene therapy via viral vectors, and immunotherapy.
- Created orthotopic models surgically for gene knockout comparisons and maintained patient derived xenografts within a database and the physical colony.
- Supported senior lab members with creation and enhancement of research procedures in vivo and in vitro.
- Prepared presentations each quarter using thorough charts, graphs, and tables to represent new findings.
- Managed 5+ research projects at a time and was published on three articles so far.

Rutgers University – Department of Neuroscience

May 2017 – May 2018

Research Assistant

New Brunswick, NJ

- FACs analysis of Immune responses to manipulated RNA-specific mechanisms; visualization of immune cell trends.
- Gathered and produced research data to create representative graphs and charts highlighting results for Aresty Grant presentation in Spring 2018 symposium.

Rutgers University – National Institute for Early Education Research

September 2015 – May 2018

Research Assistant

New Brunswick, NJ

- Entered and analyzed survey and psychological test data using statistical models created in SPSS.
- Assisted with academic research used to inform and shape policies for high-quality, early education for young children across the country.

Rutgers University – Residence Life

May 2017 – May 2018

International Mentor

New Brunswick, NJ

- Oversee and guide assigned International Students in their first year at Rutgers University.

SKILLS & INTERESTS

- **Skills:** Python (i.e. NumPy, SciPy, TensorFlow, Pandas, NetworkX, Jupyter Notebooks, etc.); SQL (i.e. MySQL); Machine Learning (i.e. Linear Models, Decision Trees, K-means); revenue modeling/forecasting, relational databases, Graphpad Prism, FlowJo, Neural Networks, Tableau, Paraview, Clinical data handling, in-vivo/in-vitro research.
- **Interests:** Dogs; Videogames; Music Production; Naps; Cooking; Waterscapes (beaches, waterfalls, lakes)

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