Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Macalester College, St. Paul, MN

Bachelor of Arts: Expected May 2020

Major: Applied Mathematics and Statistics

Concentration(s): Data Science, Community and Global Health

Work Experience

Arundel Metrics

August 2019 - Present

Undergraduate Intern, St.Paul, MN

- Assisting in the compilation of America's Health Rankings 2020 Annual Report
- Tasks include analyzing, interpreting and visualizing complex health, economic and social data to improve the health and well-being of individuals and communities

Macalester College Financial Aid

August 2018 - Present

Office Assistant, St.Paul, MN

- Help process financial aid applications and transcripts; prepare and maintain student folders
- Provide applications, information, and assistance to students regarding available financial aid programs, such as grants, loans, scholarships, and work-study jobs
- Review financial aid application forms for accuracy and completeness; secure additional information from students as necessary.

Mercer Consulting

June 2019 - August 2019

Non-Actuarial Analyst Intern, Minneapolis, MN

- Analyzed the quality of care and access to state Behavioral Health Services through the evaluation of a state's Medicaid Fiscal and Calendar Year budget
- Completed comprehensive analysis and data validation of large state health care data sets using Excel spreadsheet and SQL database management software
- Assisted in the development of State Medicare Rate Cells communications, proposals, reports, spreadsheets, and presentations

Leaf Your Mark

April 2015 - September 2017

Co-Founder and Co-President, Fort Lauderdale, FL

Mission: To teach kids about the importance of environmental conservation through unique hands on activities while empowering them to see that they can create a better tomorrow.

- Established and developed activities for the non-profit: Created business plans, lead a team of educators, and developed marketing approaches
- In addition, helped expand revenue generation, upheld communications with local districts and designed and maintained websites

Research Experience

Dr. Prasoon Diwakar's Research Team,

May 2019 - Present

Remote Data Analyst, Purdue University, IN

- Continuation of data analysis projects conducted at Frost Science Museum
- Implementing new Machine Learning Algorithms to classify different samples; Soil, Ore, Gases, and Carcinogens
- Assisting high school students at Ransom Everglades in analyzing and classifying their LIBS Spectra data

Frost Science Museum

November 2018 - May 2019

Data Analyst and Research Intern, Carcinogen Program, Miami, FL

- Led the Statistical and Data analysis for the Inventors in Residence Carcinogen Research Team
- Designed new methods to more efficiently classify complex emission spectra data through the application and integration of Statistical Modeling and Machine Learning
- Currently aiding in the creation of a new technique to bridge Statistical Modeling and Machine Learning to LIBS
- Publication in Progress: "Bridging the Gap: Application of Statistical Models and Machine Learning techniques for more effective classification of LIBS Spectra Data"

Computational Research Assistant, Nove Hrady, Czech Republic

- Granted Taylor Hill Public Health Fellowship
- Used computational modeling and in lab PAPSS expression to gain a better understanding of the structural and functional consequences of the PAPSS2(b) DNA mutation
- Research improved the molecular understanding of diseases caused by deficiency in intracellular sulfate in the recessive disorder osteochoendrodysplasia
- Attended the 8th annual Visegrad Symposium on Structural Systems Biology in Lucenec, Slovakia
- Completed FEBS Advanced Course in Ligand-binding and practice
- Poster: "Assisted Expression, Purification, and Stabilization of PAPSS: 3'-Phosphoadenosine 5'-Phosphosulfate-Synthase"

Frost Science Museum

June 2017 - December 2017

Research Intern, Miami, FL

- Undergraduate research assistant for the Inventors in Residence Carcinogen Research Laboratory
- Assisted in the development of portable LIBS laser systems to aid in near-real time detection of environmental carcinogens with the goal of improving human health through limiting exposure
- Research also included a Multivariate Analysis of Complex Samples using Atomic and Molecular Emission Spectra

Fellowships

Taylor Hill Public Health Full Fellowship (Summer 2018)

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant

Spring 2018 Semester: Introduction to International Public Health (One Section) Spring 2019 Semester: Statistical Modeling and Machine Learning (Two Sections) Fall 2019 Semester: Statistical Modeling and Machine Learning (Two Sections)

- Held regular office hours and private sessions to provide students with academic and software support
- Graded assignments, quizzes, and exams, and used the technology-based tracking and assessment platform of Moodle

Publications

In Preparation

- 1. Pozsonyiova S., Diwakar P.K, Fernandez M., Orme E. "Bridging the Gap: Application of Statistical Models and Machine Learning techniques for more effective classification of LIBS Spectra Data"
- 1. Pozsonyiova S., Diwakar P.K, Fernandez M., Orme E. "Classification of toxic soils through the application of Machine Learning Models to LIBS Spectra Data"

Presentations

Poster(s):

2019 SCIX International Conference

Palm Springs, CA

• 1. Pozsonyiova S., Diwakar P.K, Fernandez M., Orme E. "Bridging the Gap: Application of Statistical Models and Machine Learning techniques for more effective classification of LIBS Spectra Data"

Macalester College's 2020 Public Health Fair

Saint Paul, MN

• **1. Pozsonyiova S.**, Grinkevich P., Ettrich R. "Assisted Expression, Purification, and Stabilization of PAPSS: 3'-Phosphoadenosine 5'-Phosphosulfate-Synthase"

Projects

Outside Research Projects

- Application of Machine Learning classification methodology to more effectively classify LIBS Spectra Data obtain from soil samples (In Progress)
- Applying machine learning classification methods to LIBS experiment data in a high school setting to promote STEM education (Current Project)
- Use of LIBS spectra data and Machine Learning to detect carcinogenic material within electronic cigarettes (Winter 2018)
- Application of Computational Models to understand the structural and functional consequences of the PAPSS2(b) DNA mutation (Summer 2018)
- Multivariate Analysis of Complex Samples Using Atomic and Molecular Emission Spectra (Summer 2017)

Major Semester Research Projects

- Do babies hold the key to our Hearts? A look into the effect of pregnancy on a women's average heart rate (Epidemiology: Fall 2018)
- Introduction of Biomedicine in Peru, and its Order of Treatment in Rural and Urban Areas (World Healing: Spring 2018)
- Toughness Redefined: Analysis Behavioral Health resources for Macalester Student Athletes (Health Psychology: Fall 2017)

Leadership & Service

Community Leadership

Women in Machine Learning & Data Science, Minneapolis, MN

• **RLadies,** Minneapolis, MN

• Minnesota Science and Business Association, Minneapolis, MN

July 2019 - Present

February 2019 - Present

January 2017 - January 2018

On-Campus Leadership

• Children's Miracle Network, Event Chair, St. Paul, MN

• First Generation to College Network, St. Paul, MN

◆ Varsity Swim Team, St. Paul, MN

September 2017 - Present September 2018 - Present

September 2016 - May 2017

Skills

Technical

R (Research Proficiency), Git, Python3, SQL, Microsoft Office Packages

Language

English (Full Proficiency), Slovak (Full Proficiency), Czech (Working Proficiency)