# Kexin (Summer) Shang

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# **EDUCATION**

Drexel University, PA

Doctor of Philosophy in Information Science

GPA: 4.00/4.00

(Focus on LLM in Healthcare)

Washington University in St. Louis, MO Sep 2021 - Dec 2022

Master of Science in Biostatistics and Data Science GPA: 3.94/4.00

Georgia State University, GA

Jun 2019 - May 2023

Bachelor of Science in Mathematics (Statistics)

GPA: 3.85/4.30

Bachelor of Science in Biology (Double Major)

Southwest Jiaotong University, China Sep 2017 - Jun 2019

Bachelor of Engineering in Bioengineering (Co-diploma) GPA: 3.63/4.00

Main courses: Nature Language Processing (Pytorch), Data Mining (R), Applied Deep Learning in Data Science (Sklearn), Biostatistics (SAS), Analysis, Optimization, Survival Analysis, Bioinformatics (Linux), etc.

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# Healthcare Informatics Research Lab, CCI, Drexel

Research Assistant

Sep 2023 - Present

Topic: LLM Teaming on Medical QA

- Benchmarking 4 clinically specialized LLMs on USMLE dataset
- Developing a pipeline that utilized prompting engineering to achieve collaboration among LLMs
- Plan to measure the sensitivity of each LLM to prompting format variation

(It's still ongoing so need to be a bit vague about my methodology here)

# Center for Healthy Weight and Wellness, Psychiatry, WUSTL Intern

May - Dec 2022

Topic: Harnessing Mobile Technology to Reduce Mental Health Disorders in College Population (Collaborated with PSU, UCLA, Umich, and Stanford)

- Constructed composite variables from over 200 features via PCA regression, which determines nearly 40% of the variation of response rate to follow-up surveys
- Designed a factorial design on 4 treatment components and identified moderator variables with each component using logistic regression models and simple slope analysis
- Conducted a cross-sectional survey the prevalence of 11 types of clinical and subclinical eating disorders in rural areas, suburban areas, and urban areas in U.S. applying pairwise T-tests with Holm's corrections

(Manuscript in preparation)

# Department of Developmental Biology, WUSTL

Research Assistant

Sep 2021- Jun 2022

Topic: Role of Transposable Element in Transcript-level Expression Regulation

- Developed a Shell-based pipeline to obtain TE-derived transcripts' expression contribution from GTEx database
- Located age-sensitive TE-derived transcripts in skin tissue by plotting time-series Z-scores across age intervals
- Removed unwanted variation using residuals (RUVr with k=4) from RNAseq data and plot a 3D PCA which successfully showed clear separations between sun-exposed skin genes and sun-unexposed skin genes

### **IN-CLASS PROJECTS**

#### **DSCI 511 Data Acquisition and Preprocessing**

Drexel

2023 Fall

Topic: Analysis of the Effect that the Canadian Wildfires Posed on the Air Quality in US Cities.

Source of data: Scraped Wikipedia for Top 20 most populous US Cities and the "Open-Meteo" API for weather data

and air quality data.

Individual contribution:

- Used Pandas Python package to restructured time-series weather data of each city scarped from Wikipedia and API into 1-year span by date and month.
- Represented continuous variables such as pm 2.5 index by mean and categorical variables such as "air quality level" by major vote and store cleaned data in Json files.

Github page: https://github.com/summer5301/4 smokwatchers project/tree/main

# MSB 660 01 Biomedical Data Mining

**WUSTL** 

2022 Spring

- Leveraged the Medical Expenditure Panel Survey (MEPS) database to predict medical cost across 3376 patients by fitting models of multiple linear regression, bagged random forest regression, and logistic regression w/t lasso penalty
- Adopted LDA and Naïve Bayes classifier to classify patients with high medical cost, achieving 96.9% and 94.1% specificity respectively
- Used Inverse normal transformation (INT) to normalize highly skewed data (change skewness from 4.9 to 0.074)

#### BMI 5303 01 Introduction to Biomedical Informatics II

WUSTL

2022 Spring

Topic: Correlation of No-Mammogram Rate vs Breast Disease Prevalence at County Level in Missouri

- Cleaned data of county-level population and mammogram rates from the Missouri Department of Health & Senior Service
- Used MDClone, a synthetic data platform, to generate a simulated patient cohort of breast disease in Missouri
- Merged MDClone data to county-level census profile, fitting a robust exponential regression ( $R^2 = 0.7$ ) curve of no-mammogram rate and breast disease prevalence

# **CONFERENCE**

2022 ASA Women in Statistics and Data Science Conference, St. Louis, MO	Audience
International Conference on Eating Disorders (ICED) 2023, Washington, DC	Poster Presenter
HONOURS & AWARDS	
Valedictorian of the Recognition Ceremony, WUSTL	2022
Merit Scholarship (\$11,886), WUSTL	2021
Wiley M. Suttles Math Award (\$750), GSU	2023
In-state Scholarship; Presidential List; Member of the Honors College, GSU	2020 - 2021
Second-class Scholarship (¥3000); National Scholarship Nominated, SWJTU	2018 - 2019

# EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY

Publicity Department of the Chinese Student Union, GSU

Minister

- 2020 Atlanta Chinese Students and Scholars Spring Festival Gala
- Social media account management and operation

# **SKILLS**

Analytics: Machine Learning Models, Natural Language Processing (Llama2 inference, Openai API), Deep Learning Architectures (CNN, RNN, transformers) on various data types (text, image, video, audio, and tabular)

Programming: Python (Pandas, Numpy, Tensorflow, Pytorch), Shell, R, SAS, MySQL, Latex

Language: English (fluent); Chinese (native)