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## EDUCATION

**Doctor of Philosophy, Computer Science** (GPA 4.0)

**Expected 2024**

**Master of Science, Computer Science** (GPA 4.0)

**Feb 2023**

*University of Minnesota-Twin Cities*

*Minneapolis, MN*

**Bachelor of Arts, Mathematics** (GPA 3.57)

**May 2017**

*St. Olaf College*

*Northfield, MN*

## RESEARCH AND WORK EXPERIENCE

**Graduate Research Assistant, Advisor: Dan Knights**

**Sep 2020-Present**

*University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, Computer Science & Engineering*

*Minneapolis, MN*

- Directing microbiome analysis for an infant gut study collaboration with CHOP totaling 3,500 sequenced samples.
- Combined DNA sequence softwares into a novel pipeline for tracking engraftment of microbes after fecal transplant.
- Diagnosed dimensionality reduction anomalies for multivariate datasets; produced a novel solution in R and Python.
- Advised 5 undergraduate researchers, and teaching assistant for courses in genomics, machine learning, and Python.

**Data Scientist / Researcher 2, Knights Lab**

**Sep 2018-Aug 2020**

*University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, Computer Science & Engineering*

*Minneapolis, MN*

- Developed statistical workflows in R and Python for disseminating gut microbiome findings in longitudinal studies.
- Collaborating with interdisciplinary teams of physicians, clinical researchers, community members, and scientists.

**Fulbright Student**

**Sep 2017-June 2018**

*Johannes Kepler Universität, Computer Sciences*

*Linz, Austria*

- Visualized GitHub provenance as a graph using D3.js, advised by Professor Marc Streit at JKU Linz.
- Taught English in a local secondary school and completed courses for the Technical Mathematics M.S. at JKU Linz.

**Data Science Intern**

**May 2017-Aug 2017**

*CoreBiome (now Diversigen)*

*Saint Paul, MN*

- Implemented custom microbiome analysis software (Python, D3.js) on AWS using the EC2 cloud and S3 storage.

## SKILLS

**Programming languages:** Python, R, SQL, C++, MATLAB, LaTeX, D3.js, HTML/CSS

**Data Handling:** AWS storage (S3), AWS computing (EC2), Relational databases (RedCAP), HPC cluster computing

**Data Analysis:** Hypothesis testing, Machine Learning, Bayesian statistics, Deep Learning (PyTorch, TensorFlow)

**Languages:** English (native), German (conversational), American Sign Language (beginner)

## LEADERSHIP & OUTREACH

**Board Member, Fulbright Association of Minnesota**

**July 2019-July 2022**

**Director of Finance, Council of Graduate Students, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities**

**July 2020-July 2021**

**President, Habitat for Humanity, St. Olaf College**

**Sep 2015-May 2017**

**Captain, Women's Cross Country and Track & Field, St. Olaf College**

**Sep 2015-May 2017**

## AWARDS

Honorable Mention, *NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program* (2021)

Fulbright Combined Award, *Fulbright Association* (2017)

Program Director of the Year, *St. Olaf College Leadership Awards* (2016)