Chun-I Chien

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EDUCATION

Master of Professional Studies, Information Science

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

• BSc(Hons), Computer Science

King's College London, UK

Aug 2024 - May 2025

Sep 2021 - Jul 2024

EXPERIENCE

• Seneca Lake Scenic Byway

Data Analyst Intern

Sep 2024 - Dec 2024

NY, USA

- Analyzed user behavior in Google Analytics, increased CTR by 19.67%
- Enhanced SEO, improved Top 10 keyword visibility (477 \rightarrow 489), +200% traffic
- Reduced bounce rate from $95\% \rightarrow 92\%$ by improving landing content

• DIGISILK Research Team

Research Apprentice

Jun 2023 - Aug 2023

Remote (UK)

- Analyzed cross-border API traffic patterns between China and the West
- Provided infrastructure recommendations through data trend analysis

PROJECTS

• Human-Computer Interaction Design for International Students

Sep 2023 - Dec 2023

Designed support tools through extensive user research, persona creation, journey mapping, usability testing.

- Leveraged Figma and Miro to prototype and refine design iteratively
- Conducted user interviews, affinity mapping, persona design, usability testing
- Miro-UX Research; Figma-Prototype

• GitHub Technology Trend Tracker - Side Project

Mar 2025

Tracked fast-evolving open-source trends, built a dashboard to visualize GitHub metadata.

Developed investment model using Monte Carlo simulations + Modern Portfolio Theory

- Built full-stack dashboard using Python, SQLite, Streamlit
- Integrated GitHub API with local caching and delta update mechanism
- Visualized trends across LLMs, AI Agents, Web3, and Data Science tools

AI-Driven Portfolio Optimization in Taiwan's Stock Market

Oct 2023 - Apr 2024

- Refined 127 stocks to top 20 portfolio, achieving **9.11% return**, **std dev 0.20**
- Used **covariance matrix regularization** to optimize risk-return
- Built stochastic modeling + backtesting framework

• AHDC Project - Data Analysis Collaboration

Oct 2024 - Dec 2024

Analyzed 2019–2023 test data for pricing sensitivity insights.

- Discovered 58% drop after 12% price increase; Tableau dashboards for stakeholders
- Recommended data-driven pricing strategies to balance revenue and demand

• Yelp Restaurant Review Analysis - NLP Capstone Project

Mar 2025

Used NLP to extract sentiment, keyword insights, and user patterns from Yelp reviews.

- Performed ${\bf sentiment}$ ${\bf classification}$ with ${\bf NLTK};$ analyzed elite reviewer bias
- Extracted behavioral patterns (e.g., weekday shifts, review length trends)
- Formulated actionable feedback strategies for local businesses

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming Languages: Python, SQL, JavaScript, R, Java, HTML/CSS
- Data Tools: Hadoop, MapReduce, Tableau, Google Analtics, WhereScape
- UX: Figma, Miro, Usability Testing, Affinity Mapping
- Platforms: Git, Jupyter, Unix/Linux, REST APIs
- Soft Skills: Storytelling, Collaboration, A/B Testing
- Languages: English (Fluent), Chinese (Native), Japanese (Basic)

AFFILIATIONS

KCL Taiwanese Society, Head of Marketing
Led promotional campaigns, managed social strategy and engagement

Sep 2021 - May 2022

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

• IRB Training Certification: Completed in 2024