# Christina Benge

Graduate Student 🚧 Returning to Workforce

# Summary \_\_\_\_\_

As an aspiring organizational psychologist, I have a unique blend of academic and diverse life experiences that would benefit almost any mission. After two rewarding decades of raising my four children, I am returning to the workforce, seeking meaningful work in public service that allows me to help others achieve their goals. In addition to fulfilling and broad undergraduate studies in informatics, computer science, data, and systems - among others - and graduate work in psychology, I have a solid foundation of experiences demonstrating my passion for growth. From my volunteer work to living abroad in Germany or my work in photography, helping people show their best at the most important moments in their lives - I have cultivated a deep appreciation for other cultures and perspectives and have a profound sense of enthusiasm to re-enter the workforce and contribute toward meaningful work.

#### Education \_

**Liberty University** Lynchburg, VA

Master of Arts, Industrial Organizational Psychology

Expected Fall 2024

Cumulative GPA — 3.75/4.00

Liberty University Lynchburg, VA

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES (INFORMATICS CONCENTRATION)

Aug 2021

Cumulative GPA — 3.95/4.00 (Summa Cum Laude)

Relevant Coursework: Intro. Computer Science; Research Methods; Intro. Probability Theory; Statistics (I / II); Application Programming; Web Architecture; Information Systems Hardware & Software; Human-Computer Interaction; Computer Concepts & Applications; Computer Networking; Microeconomics; Macroeconomics; Organizational Behavior; Sociology; Psychology; Ethics

### Skills\_

**Programming** Python; R; HTML; Visual Basic; LaTeX; Markdown

Data SQL Server; SPSS; Pandas; Dataframes; ggplot2; Excel/CSV; Access

Digital Arts Adobe Suite: Photoshop, Illustrator, Lightroom, InDesign; Digital Photography & Editing Miscellaneous Research Design; UX; Statistics; Data Analysis; Organization; Microsoft Office Suite

#### Additional Coursework

Essential Python; Essential R; Wrangling & Visualizing Data with R; Modeling Data with R; Foundational

certification-bearing photography training (Fundamentals of Photoshop, Exposure, Lighting, In-Camera

Technique, and Composition)

**Great Courses** Computer Science Concepts with Python Exercises

# Experience & Volunteering \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Indy Humane Society**

Indianapolis, IN

2022 - PRESENT VOLUNTEER

Committed to helping Indiana's pets in need. Volunteering to clean, feed, water, walk, play, and participate in youth programs with my daughter to improve the quality of life of animals and prepare them for forstering transition.

#### Blueegrass Doberman Rescue

Louisville, KY

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Volunteer 2021 - PRESENT

Through a shared passion to rescue, rehab, and rehome Dobermans in need, I volunteer with my family to temporarily care for and transport Doberman's moving to their new forever home. Through my background in digital photography, I also help through photographing, editing, and providing high-quality images of Doberman's in need of finding their family.

# Experience & Volunteering (Continued)

#### **Dedicated to Dobermans Rescue**

Lafayette, IN

Volunteer 2020 - 2021

This was a nonprofit organization in northern Indiana focused on temporary sheltering of abandoned and poorly treated Doberman that recently closed due to funding constaints. I volunteered my photography, editing, and web-hosting skills and efforts to help promote Doberman in need of adoption.

## Christina Benge Photography

Indianapolis, IN (US) Stuttgart, BW (DE)

Photographer 2015 - 2022

Provided on-location natural light portrait photography serving clients in the central Indiana and Stuttgart, Germany region. Specialized in family, children, and special-moments, ceremony, and life-milestone event photography. I have a talent for capturing unique qualities and personality of individuals, and deliver elegant and carefully edited, high-quality images that are tailored to the needs of each individual. A showcase of my work, including award-winning photographs, is available upon request.

# Honors & Awards

#### **PHOTOGRAPHY**

2018	Podcast & YouTube Profile Coverage, Winning image profiled by Mike Howard & Tim Kemperle on	JPEG2RAW	
	extremely popular photography podcast and YouTube channel.		
2014	1st Place - Impromptu Contest, Winner of Impromptu photography contest with edited image of young	I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I	
2014	girld with fairies in forest.	imipove i notograpny	
	Easter Collections Photo Showcase, Photo of young girl with rabbit doll - awarded on popular	500px	
2014	photography network.	Эоорх	
2014	Summer at Play (Collection), Photo of a young girld at play in forest - awarded on popular photography	500px	
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2014	<b>Photo HQ Award,</b> Black and white portrait of young girl - recognized by Photo HQ online community	Photo Collection HO	
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2014	<b>Top 6 - Child Photography Competition,</b> Top 6 showcase winner in online child photography	Child Photography	
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