ALLEN DING

Statistician + Data Scientist

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Mathematical Statistician

Statistics Canada

- October 2020 Ongoing
- Ottawa, Canada
- Provides statistical expertise to clients and stakeholders regarding survey methodology, modelling approaches, and machine learning techniques
- Applies modern statistical and data science methods to produce valuable and timely official statistics for Canadians
- Leads the redesign and modernization of the Visitor Travel Survey to reduce imputation and introduce modelling methods to decrease the cost of interviewers at airports while maintaining statistical quality
- Conducted a feasibility study on using Bayesian models with non-survey data to improve estimates of Market Basket Measure poverty rates for the sparse population in the Northern Territories
- Designed the methodology for the Canadian Tourism Activity Tracker and created the production program using R and SQL. Resulted in a leading-edge product that tells a story on how the Canadian tourism industry is recovering from the pandemic
- Published a research paper on using novel small area estimation methods to integrate responses from voluntary COVID-19 questionnaires with COVID-19 survey responses
- Developed a SAS program for clients to automatically classify post-secondary students' data using LASSO logistic regression and calculate/calibrate non-linkage weights for use in statistical inference
- Created an **R** program to automatically read PDFs of Statistics Canada job applicants, extract and clean raw text responses, and classify the results in order to develop actionable insights

Junior Mathematical Statistician

Statistics Canada

- **i** June 2019 October 2020
- Ottawa, Canada
- Created an **R Shiny** dashboard for clients to conduct exploratory data analysis and interpret modelling results
- Streamlined and automated major tasks for the Visitor Travel Survey using **R** to reduce production time for publishing official statistics
- Implemented hierarchical clustering using R and ArcGIS on geospatial data and developed recommendations for senior management on acquisition of new geospatial data sources

Methodologist Intern

Canada Revenue Agency

- April 2018 August 2018
- Ottawa, Canada
- Linked personal, business, and investment income tax data using SQL and created a risk-scoring model to evaluate the tax compliance of Canadian residents

SKILLS



SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS



Seminar Presenter

Statistics Canada, Jan. 2021
Topic: Integrating crowdsourced
data with survey data using small
area estimation techniques



Web Panelist

University of Toronto, Mar. 2021
Statistics Alumni Web Panel



Speaker

Statistics Canada, Jan. 2022 *Mathematical Statistician Post- Secondary Recruitment Campaign*

EDUCATION

B.Sc. in Statistics with Focus in Health and Disease

University of Toronto

September 2014 – June 2019

LANGUAGES