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## Education

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### Northwestern University

Ph.D. Engineering Sciences and Applied Mathematics	Expected June 2018
Certificate in Integrated Data Science	Expected June 2017
M.S. Engineering Sciences and Applied Mathematics	2014

### Worcester Polytechnic Institute

B.S. Mathematics; B.S. Physics, (with high distinction)	2013
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### Workshops and training

• Data Visualization Summer School, Northwestern	2016
• Mathematical Problems in Industry Workshop	2015

## Project and Work Experience

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### Northwestern University

2014 - Present

- ‘Dynamics of political elections’  
Develop model, analyze congressional voting records in Python
- ‘Why bigger cities have higher rates of inventions and crime?’  
Work presented at multiple national and international conferences  
Develop model; analyze crime, invention, and email communication data

### Argonne National Laboratory (Internship)

2012

- Fluid dynamics and thermal modeling for a cooling mechanism in particle accelerator  
Present work at Argonne and Fermilab and academic conference

### Worcester Polytechnic Institute

2011 - 2013

- ‘Model microwave-assisted production of graphene sheets’.  
Reduced computational time from hours to less than a minute.  
Model accurately represents experimental data, and is used in further research  
Work won multiple awards at national and international conferences
- ‘Effect of international accents on employment decisions’  
Design and conduct social experiments, analyze data in SPSS

## Leadership Experience

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| • Co-founder and President, NuTango, Argentine Tango Club at Northwestern         | 2015 - present |
| • President, Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics, Northwestern Chapter | 2016 - present |
| • Exec board member, Northwestern Graduate Leadership & Advocacy Council          | 2016 - present |
| • President, Pi Mu Epsilon Math Honorary Society, WPI Chapter                     | 2012 - 2013    |

## Awards and Honors

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- Walter Murphy Fellowship, Northwestern University
- First place, Student Paper Competition, Annual Microwave Power Symposium
- Second place, Student Paper Competition, IEEE Student Conference
- Provost’s Award for Outstanding Major Qualifying Project, WPI
- Salisbury Prize for Outstanding Senior, WPI

## Computer and Programing Skills

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MATLAB, Python, Latex, Maple, d3, C, Mathematica, Bash, SPSS, QuickWave3D, Microsoft Office

## Selected Coursework

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Numerical methods for partial differential equations, probability, statistics, stochastic processes, machine learning, social network analysis, investment science, optimization, linear algebra