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#### Education

# University of Zurich

Sep. 2020 - Present

Master of Arts UZH Business and Economics

Zurich, Switzerland

- Major: Economics | Minor: Data Science
- Coursework: Foundations of Data Science, Empirical Methods, Advanced Statistics, Big Data Methods for Economists, Program Evaluation and Causal Inference, Time Series Analysis, Computational Statistics

#### Jiangxi University of Finance and Economics

Sep. 2016 - Jul. 2020

Bachelor of Business Administration

Nanchang, China

Colchester, UK

- Major: Accounting (Certified Public Accountants track)
- Weighted Average Score: 91.45/100 (ranking: 10/268)
- Awards (merit-based): CSC Scholarship (2018), Model Student Scholarship (2019), RSM Scholarship (2019)

## University of Essex

Oct. 2018 - Jul. 2019

Study Abroad Program (funded by CSC)

• Major: Business and Economics

• Grade: First Class

# Experience

# **Department of Informatics**

Sep. 2021 - Present

Zurich, Switzerland Tutor

- Working as a tutor for the course Foundations of Data Science.
- Answering questions from students on both practical projects and exercise sheets.
- Assisting in grading the practical projects and final exam.

# **Bank of Communications**

Jul. 2019 - Aug. 2019

Summer Intern

Nanchang, China

- Dealt with the customers and their complaints in a timely manner by knowing all of the bank's policy issues and procedures.
- Assisted in making sure that the daily work to be done not only finishes on time but runs smoothly.
- Promoted bank's financial products and provided customers with some advice on financial products.

#### **Projects**

## Impact of Euthanasia on Suicide Rates among Elderly

Apr. 2021 - Jun. 2021

- Extracted data from European Statistics Database and processed data for further analysis.
- Applied Generalized Synthetic Control (GSC) method to the project.
- Evaluated and interpreted the results estimated by GSC.

# **Housing Rent Prediction** | Big Data Methods for Economists

Mar.2021 - Apr. 2021

- Applied different feature engineering techniques to data preprocessing procedure.
- Explored different machine learning algorithms in predicting rents in Switzerland.
- Utilized many empirically-derived rules of thumb for hyperparameter tuning.
- Achieved an R-squared score of 0.723 which ranks 4th among 13 groups.

Image Recognition with Deep Neural Networks | Foundations of Data Science

Dec. 2020 - Jan. 2021

- Built a deep neural network with Tensorflow in Colab; configured the structure of the neural network; visualized the training process for fine-tuning hyperparameters; achieved 98.6% accuracy on MNIST dataset.
- Built trainable layers on top of pre-trained model by using transfer learning techniques; customized the base model to the given task by unfreezing layers from bottom to top; explored many different methods and techniques (initialization functions, activation functions, batch normalization, dropout, early stopping) to address vanishing gradients and overfitting; achieved 84.4% on CIFAR-10 dataset.

#### Technical Skills

Languages: Python, R, LaTex, HTML, SQL

Developer Tools: VS Code, Jupyter Lab, R Studio, MySQL, Colab, Typora, Overleaf

#### Extracurricular

# Friends International

Nov. 2018 - Jun. 2019

Colchester, UK

Coordinator of Communications

• Served as a liaison between the organization and international students.

• Promoted communications and interactions among 60 members through hosting recreational events.