

# Alexander McWilliams

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## EDUCATION |

**Bentley University**, Waltham, MA

Candidate for Bachelor of Science, Data Analytics, May 2021

Major G.P.A. 3.68

Honors: President's List (3.7+ GPA), Dean's List (3.5+ GPA); Honors Program

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE |

**Bentley University**, Waltham, MA

Sept 2020 - Present

*Natural Language Processing (NLP) Researcher*

- Developed a comprehensive research project focused on text analysis & Natural Language Processing
- Analyzed reddit.com comment data with R-Studio packages textmatch and quanteda to gauge sentiment based on presumed user gender. Attempting to predict upvote/downvote ratio using summary statistics.

**Tiffany & Co.**, Parsippany, NJ

May 2019 – July 2019

*Operations Associate*

- Utilized RF Scanner technology to communicate inventory status to Tiffany & Co. WMS, keeping a detailed record of production and units to ensure an efficient flow of operations in the warehouse
  - Worked on a closely knit team to train new hires in the “merchandising preparation” program, where we oversaw the ship-to-store readiness of items ranging in price from \$500 - \$300,000
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## RELEVANT COURSEWORK |

**MA252 – Regression Analysis**

Fall 2019

- Constructed multiple regression and time series models using K-Fold/Leave One Out/Holdout machine learning cross validation methods. Analyzed model residuals.

**MA255 – Design of Experiments**

- Collaboratively designed factorial and fractional experiments to determine main effects of variables of concern.

**CS350 – Database Management Systems**

Spring 2020

- Competed, with a small team of students, in a section wide Oracle modeling competition, using Homestay's user data.
  - Explored the theoretical and practical aspects of DB management utilizing ERD and EERD mapping diagrams, ascribing relationships (one-to-many, many-to-many,) to different portions of the database structure
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## TECHNICAL SKILLS |

**Software & Programming Languages** – Python (NumPy, Pandas, SciPy, Plotly, CV2) SQL, NoSQL, R, R-Studio, Excel, Adobe Photoshop/Premiere, HTML, Dash, Hugo, Netlify

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## SUMMER 2020 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT |

(DUE TO COVID-19)

- Committed approximately 20 hours per week to Berkeley's CS61a – ‘Structure and Interpretation of Computer Programs’ course to strengthen my Python fundamentals and learn more about Computer Science as a whole
  - Read approximately 15 books from varied genres to strengthen my personal and professional self, including:
    - J. D. Salinger's *Catcher in The Rye*, a classic bildungsroman I'd somehow never picked up before
    - David Schwartz's *The Magic of Thinking Big*, discover a new lens on ‘thinking big’ & setting oneself up for success
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## LEADERSHIP/EXTRACURRICULAR EXPERIENCE |

**Haptics Research Assistant** - Bentley University

(2019-Present)

- Currently exploring the effects of a user's artistic experience of touch using Tanvas, a sophisticated touch-screen device that allows users to ascribe custom levels of friction to predefined areas of the device

**Resident Assistant** - Bentley University

(2019-2020)

- Connected with residents on an interpersonal level, facilitating a healthy and engaging floor environment

**Tour Guide** - Bentley University

(2018-2019)

- Showcased Bentley University while practicing oral and presentation skills in front of groups of perspective students