# Zachary Lawrence

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# **WORK EXPERIENCE**

JULY 2019 -

#### Vera Institute of Justice

PRESENT Data Scientist

- Cleaned and analyzed immigration court proceedings and ICE detention data
- Co-created a stochastic SEIR model simulating the spread of COVID-19 across ICE's detention facility network (with book-in, book-out and transfer mechanics)
- Designed and implemented an AWS cloud solution for data collection and processing
- Introduced tools to improve collaboration and automation: GitHub, Docker, CI/CD

JULY 2016 -MAY 2019

#### Google

Software Engineer

- Created a distributed data pipeline to process and render metrics to a dashboard
- Developed software for Linux and Chrome OS based video conferencing devices
- Directly coordinated with external partners to produce data and software solutions
- Mentored colleagues to improve code readability/health best practices

# **ACADEMIC RESEARCH**

JAN 2016 -MAY 2016

## **Audio Based Material Classification**

Advised by Dr. Gilmer Blankenship, University of Maryland

• Researched and implemented signal processing and machine learning techniques for material classification based on an object's acoustic signature

AUG 2013 -DEC 2015

### Sidewalk Accessibility Issue Detection (Human-Computer Interaction Lab)

Advised by Dr. Jon Froehlich and Dr. Kotaro Hara, University of Maryland

- Parsed Google Street View images with OpenCV to find sidewalk accessibility issues
- Visualized accessibility issues with Matplotlib, D3 and a custom Google Glass app

### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

ANALYSIS: Distributed Simulations, Descriptive Statistics

LANGUAGES: Java, Python, C, JavaScript, SQL

PLATFORMS: Linux, AWS/GCP, Git/GitHub, Docker, Web APIs

FRAMEWORKS: Pandas, TensorFlow, Distributed Data Pipelines, Web Scraping, Interactive Visualizations

### **EDUCATION**

MAY 2016 Bachelor of Science, Computer Engineering

University of Maryland, College Park
Gpa: 3.8/4.0 | Dean's List (All Semesters)

## **PUBLICATIONS & PATENTS**

June 2020	The Hidden Curve: Estimating the Spread of COVID-19 among People in ICE Detention
	See: https://www.vera.org/the-hidden-curve-covid-19-in-ice-detention

Feb 2020 Managing a Device Cloud (Patent Number: US 10,567,479 B2)

SEPT 2019 Controlling a Device Cloud (Patent Number: US 10,412,160 B2)

JUL 2019 Rules Engine for Connected Devices (Patent Number: US 10,348,798 B2)