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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley

Majors: B.A. Data Science, B.A. Computer Science

May 2026

GPA: 3.81/4.0

Technical Skills/Coursework: Deep Learning, Neural Networks, Computer Vision, Natural Language Processing, AB Testing, Machine Learning Theory, Data Structures, Data Engineering, Calculus, Linear Algebra, Statistics and Probability, Data Analytics

Organizations: Data Science Society at Berkeley, Data C8 (Foundations of Data Science) Undergraduate Course Staff

Honors/Awards: Genentech Futurelab Scholar, 6th Annual Datathon For Social Good: 2nd Place

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Languages: Python, Java, SQL, RegEx, L^AT_EX, HTML, Ruby, Javascript, Scheme

Tools: Pandas, NumPy, TensorFlow, PyTorch, PostgreSQL, OpenCV, SciPy, StatsModels, Sci-kit Learn, Seaborn, Tableau, Plotly

Skills: Exploratory Data Analysis, Git, Data Visualization, Classification, Clustering, Data Engineering, Data Analytics

Soft Skills: Efficient Communication, Adaptability & Flexibility, Teamwork and Collaboration, Organizational Ability, Simple and Creative Problem Solving, Leadership, Critical-Thinking, Taking Initiative, Self-Starter, Attention to Detail, Cross-Functional

Personal Interests: Movies, Volleyball, Photography, Basketball, Gym, Swimming, Dogs, Road Trips, Music, Marvel Studios

WORK EXPERIENCE

JamBase

Lead Data Scientist

Berkeley, CA

Jan 2025 - May 2025

- Leading the development of a concert discovery chatbot using a **Retrieval-Augmented Generation** (RAG) approach, contextualizing JamBase's **6,000,000+** past records with the **ChatGPT-4o** Large Language Model (LLM)
- Architecting an autonomous pipeline using **OpenAI** text embeddings, a **Pinecone** vector database, and **LangChain** routing

UC Berkeley Data Science Undergraduate Studies

Software Engineer

Berkeley, CA

Jan 2024 - May 2025

- Partnering with four El Camino College professors to create data science curriculum for a student population of **33,000+**
- Designing and deploying two **Jupyter**-based data science modules, introducing students to data science and molecular biology
- Restructured *data8.org/su24* using **HTML**, **CSS**, and **Javascript** for front-end web development, adding **19** dynamic tabs to organize **250+** past exam problems by their scope in the course

Doctors Without Borders

Data Scientist

Remote

Aug 2024 - Dec 2024

- Utilized **Python**, **SQL** and the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data (ACLED) **API** to achieve **93% accuracy** in classifying global regions likely to experience fatalities from escalating political events, aiding in the identification of high-risk zones
- Preprocessed **2,000,000+** political events across **74** features and **180+** countries to train two **Scikit-learn** neural networks, achieving an R^2 score of **76%** in predicting the number of fatalities for regions with escalating political events
- Developed a **Streamlit** app to visualize conflict severity and fatality predictions, enhancing humanitarian safety management

Data Science Society at Berkeley

Vice President

Berkeley, CA

Aug 2023 - Dec 2024

- Managing 16 Teaching Assistants and 12 tutors to operate the "An Introduction to Real World Data Science" course, promoting accessibility by hosting educational workshops from industry and academic leaders for the 70+ diverse students in the course
- Created the course website *dssdecal.org* by utilizing **Jekyll**, **Ruby**, and Github Actions, and currently developing a 12-chapter introductory data science textbook at *dssdecal.org/textbook*

University of Washington

Machine Learning Researcher

Remote

Jan 2024 - Jun 2024

- Coded a **Variational Auto-Encoder** (VAE) neural network in **PyTorch** and **OpenCV** to convert numerical retinal data into generative AI video simulations of retinal movement afflicted by one of three different diseases
- Implemented a data preprocessing pipeline that converts .avi files into sets of **300** individual frames
- Ran training data through a **Long-Short Term Memory** (LSTM) network to encode data into latent space, then decoded data using a **Gated Recurrent Unit** (GRU), producing video simulations in **512x512** resolution

PROJECTS

Spam Email Classifier 📧 | Python, Pandas, Principal Component Analysis

Nov 2023

- Used **Pandas**, **NumPy**, and **RegEx** to develop an **87%** accurate classification model to predict spam emails, utilizing a dataset of over **7,500** points and achieving an Area Under the ROC Curve of **91%**
- Applied **Principal Component Analysis** (PCA) to reduce dimensionality by **70%**, and enhanced model performance by **5%** using GridSearch cross validation across **4** hyperparameters