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EDUCATION

Washington University in St. Louis

St. Louis, MO

B.A., Majors in Statistics & Economics

Aug 2019 — May 2023

- · High Honors and Dean's List; leadership roles with ArchHacks/HackWashU, Association for Women in Math, and Fossil Free
- Teaching assistant for Data Structures & Algorithms and Analysis courses

WORK EXPERIENCE

Data Engineer 2023 — Present

The Syllabus Remote (EU)

- Improved core API response speeds by 90x through SQL query tuning and trimmed over 30% of yearly cloud spend by eliminating cloud inefficiencies
- Shipped a full-stack Rust and React custom web service that distills hundreds of thousands of weekly signals into curated insights
- Trained BERT-based language models for document classification and implemented full-stack RAG pipeline for new recommendation engine
- Engineered CI pipelines for all projects from scratch, enabling automated continuous deployment and reducing developer toil to nearly zero
- Architected cloud strategy and unified infrastructure on AWS, migrating all services to containerized deployments managed entirely with IaC
- Brought adoption of full-stack observability with OpenTelemetry from 0% to 95%, uncovering bugs and cutting median downtime by over half
- Proactively eliminated security risks by identifying and mitigating leaked credentials with secret scanning and implementing role-based access controls
- Improved developer experience by documenting legacy cronjobs and consolidating 40% of unmaintained lines of code into the primary data processing service
- Collaborated on database schema redesign and migration to simplify the codebase and improve user load times

Assistant Editor, Black 1968

2022 — 2023

WUSTL Department of History / Palgrave Macmillan

St. Louis, MO

- Partnered with a multi-university research team on an interdisciplinary publication covering 1960s social history
- Improved clarity of technical writing, organized content and citations, and drove follow-ups on research tasks

Admissions Staff and Summer Intern

2019 - 2020

Graduate Programs, Olin Business School

St. Louis, MO

• Drove data-informed decisions by preparing BI visualizations, contributing to centralized data warehousing, and automating lead-generation scraping

SKILLS

- Languages: English (fluent), French (proficient), Spanish (conversant)
- Statistics & ML: SVMs and MLPs, transformers (BERT), embeddings, neural networks, naive Bayes, NLP
- Programming Languages: Rust, Python, SQL (Postgres/sqlite), R, Nix, HTML/CSS, basic React, bash
- **Technologies:** Python data stack (PyTorch, Polars, Pydantic, Sentence Transformers), Rust ecosystem (sqlx, tokio), Grafana, GitLab CI/CD
- Linux & Containers: GNU tools, systemd, Docker/Podman, network namespaces, cgroups, nftables, iproute2, gdb, perf
- AWS Stack: ECS clusters; serverless architectures with Lambda, EventBridge, and SQS; IAM and AWS Organizations, Terraform/OpenTofu,
- Workflows: Collaborated in an Agile workflow tracking epics and story points with GitLab and Trello (Kanban)