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## Data Science Specialist & Leader

**Machine Learning**  
**Data Visualization**  
**Experimentation**  
**Technical Strategy**  
**Stakeholder Engagement**

**Regression & Predictive Modeling**  
**Relational Databases**  
**Data Wrangling**  
**Product Management**  
**Engineering Management**

**Degrees:** **PhD**, Social & Behavioral Sciences, Harvard University  
**MS**, Social & Behavioral Sciences, Harvard University  
**BA**, History & Political Science, Boston University

**Industries:** Health & Health Care, Pharma/Biotech, Public Sector, Non-Profit

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### TECHNOLOGIES

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**Statistical Languages:** Python, R, SAS, Stata  
**Data Engineering & Modeling:** dbt, Talend  
**Version Control:** Git, GitHub, Gitlab

**Programming Languages:** Python, HTML, CSS  
**Cloud Providers:** Google Cloud Platform, AWS  
**Product Management:** Agile, Jira, ClickUp

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### WORK HISTORY

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**Vice President, Healthcare Innovation and Research Lead**, J.P. Morgan Chase **(12/22 - present)**

**Principal Data Scientist**, Altais, Oakland, CA **(04/22 - 12/22)**

- Designed data science tech stack, oversaw work of solutions architects and security team technical implementation
- Created first data models for health care claims and eligibility for 60k members over 3 years
- Led analysis that identified mechanisms to increase revenue capture and data quality
- Advised on investment in third-party data science models, guiding \$500,000 investment
- Created study designs to evaluate staffing practices across 4 sites with over 300 providers and oversaw data ingestion, profiling for data quality

**Staff Data Scientist**, Cityblock Health, New York, NY **(11/20 - 04/22)**

- Operated as Technical Lead of new scrum team, setting roadmaps and KPIs, and leading Data Analysts and Analytics Engineers within an agile framework toward those goals
- Led company-wide data science experimentation and outcome research initiatives

- Designed and analyzed company's first A/B tests, which showed 14 percentage-points higher member engagement based type of member outreach
- Developed longitudinal clinical and financial outcomes analyses for 8 clinical products
- Created and productionized an algorithm to identify members' spending trajectories
- Evaluated and refined predictive models for unplanned hospital admissions
- Used unsupervised learning methods for member segmentation and clustering

**Associate Professor of Social Work** (with tenure), Smith College, Northampton, MA (2/20 – 11/20)

- Engineered [Shiny-based apps to teach programming skills and statistical analysis](#) with a focus on social and behavioral science users
- Coordinated programmers working on developing interactive, open-source tutorials on statistics and modeling in R
- Programmed data cleaning algorithms to automate technical data reports from clinical research studies
- Hired and oversaw 15 adjunct faculty as interim department head of Research
- Organized and lead annual retreat for 15 faculty and administrators

**Assistant Professor of Statistical & Data Science**, Smith College, Northampton, MA (2017-2020)

- Built data package in R to facilitate use of large data sets (2.3 million observations) from annual health surveys ([brfssR](#))
- Employed complex data sources and statistical modeling to investigate health disparities in mental health, substance use, and self-harm that led to 3 peer-reviewed publications and multiple presentations that articulate mental health policy recommendations
- Provided statistical analysis expertise for multiple randomized clinical trial designs (akin to AB testing)
- Taught [Multiple Regression](#) (including prediction, logistic regression, machine learning) modeling in R with course evaluations above college average (3.68 / 4) and mentored junior data science students on myriad analytics and data sources

**Assistant Professor of Epidemiology**, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN (2013-2017)

- Built predictive models and collaborated with expert peers on costs & health care utilization to recommend solutions for [Medicaid long term supports & services policy to state policymakers, stakeholders & constituents](#)
- Crafted study designs of successful research grants from American Cancer Society, University of Minnesota Global Spotlight; co-Investigator on National Institutes of Health (NIH) funded studies (total: >\$5million)
- Fit regression models and communicated technical research study findings (18 peer-reviewed articles & 15 conference presentations) on major public health problems like hypertension, stroke, kidney disease, frailty, dementia, & disability
- Successfully mentored postdoctoral scholars in regression, technical communication

**Postdoctoral Scholar, Demography**, University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill (2012-2013)

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## EDUCATION

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**Doctorate, Social & Behavioral Sciences**, Harvard University (2012)  
**Masters, Social & Behavioral Sciences**, Harvard University (2008)  
**Bachelors, History & Political Science**, Boston University (2003)

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## ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- **Volunteering**
  - **Member**, Global Advisory Board, Praava Health, Dhaka, Bangladesh (2016-present)
  - **Member**, Council on Aging, City of Northampton, MA (2019-present)
- **Awards**
  - **Fesler-Lampert Chair in Aging Studies**, University of Minnesota (2014-2015)
  - **Dissertation Fellowship**, Hewlett Foundation (2011-2012)
  - **Pre-Doctoral Fellowship**, American Heart Association (2009-2011)
- **Consulting Work & Prior Experience**
  - Health Outcomes Analytic Advisor**, Praava Health, Dhaka, Bangladesh (2017-2019)
    - Generated study designs for health outcomes evaluation of membership plans of healthcare provider startup in emerging economy
    - Advised on health IT system Infrastructure, and facilitated connections to data science teams to work with database querying for medical records
  - Program Evaluation Consultant**, Bronx Partnership for Healthy Communities, Bronx, NY (2018)
    - Conducted 4 session capacity building training on health outcome evaluation for Medicaid Delivery System Reform and Incentive Payment (DSRIP) program site
    - Provided research capacity technical assistance to support readiness for value-based care arrangements to 12 community-based health organizations
  - Study Manager**, Fenway Health, Boston, MA (2004-2006)
    - Oversaw day-to-day research operations of a randomized controlled trial and a quasi-experimental study (n=400 total) of an HIV risk prevention intervention
    - Managed team, including 2 direct reports, to hit recruitment and retention targets