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Education

Ph.D. Economics, University of Washington, (Expected May, 2029)

M.A. Economics, University of Washington, (Expected May, 2026)

B.S. Quantitative Economics, Bentley University, (May, 2024).

Minor in Computer Information Systems

Employment

Research Assistantships

Bentley University. 2022-2023. CIS Research Assistant.

Worked under Professors Tamara Babaian and Jennifer Xu on researching BERT's application on colloquial medical text. Was in charge of building comparison measurements from competing language models to gauge performance.

Bentley University. 2023-2024. ATC Research Assistant II.

Worked under Dr. Clifton Chow at the Bentley University Academic Technologies Center. Assisted professors from various departments with technical aspects of their research. Built automated web-scrapers for drug and tort databases, developed haptics simulation VR games in Unity, built data processing pipelines for large datasets, created survival analysis models on drug data, and seasonally adjusted panel data.

Research Interests

Financial Economics, Financial Econometrics, Machine Learning, Time-Series Econometrics, Macroeconomics, Natural Language Processing

Research

Working Papers

1. Do people trust generative AI, and is it trustworthy? An experiment with ChatGPT. With Jeffrey Livingston and Samson Shen. Work in Progress. We measure whether and how much people trust generative AI by having them play Trust Games (Berg et al. 1995) with ChatGPT.

Work Experience

Jolt Industries LLC. 2020-2023. Founder & Lead Software Engineer.

Wrote client-side software for automating interactions with highly secured websites. Managed a team of 6 staff, including a co-developer. Maintained 1000+ clients.

Comosus Core LLC. 2020-2020. API Developer & Public Relations.

Developed and managed client-facing API routes for live product monitoring and managed small business clientele.

Technical Skills

Economics

Time Series Seasonal Smoothing Techniques (X13-ARIMA-SEATS)

RAND HRS Longitudinal Dataset

Programming Languages

Python, R, STATA, JavaScript, TypeScript, C#, Go

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