Christopher James Walker

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Education

Aug 2021 - MS, Analytics

Aug 2024 Georgia Institute of Technology | Online

Modeling | Simulation | Survey of Machine Learning Methods

 $_{Aug\ 2016\ -}$ $\,$ BS, Urban and Regional Planning, Minor in Economics

May 2020 Texas A&M University | College Station, TX

Phi Kappa Phi Honors Society | Gathright Scholar | Dean's List Recipient Aggie Research Scholar: Forecasting Home Values after Hurricane Florence

Work Experience

Fannie Mae | Washington, DC

May 2023 - Senior Data Scientist

Present

Models and researches data from Desktop Underwriter, one of America's leading mortgage underwriting engines. Makes direct contributions to modeling and analytics which determine approval for millions of mortgage applications annually. Works with linear, logistic, and tree-based modeling approaches regularly.

Serves in a leadership role for an internal continuing education program (APEX) teaching programming, statistics, and data visualization skills. Coaches instructors to develop and refine technical course material.

Develops and maintains Docker images supporting GitHub Copilot, R packages, and technical documentation systems for Fannie Mae analysts. Maintains internal R package to help analysts securely connect to and leverage Fannie Mae data sources. Contributes to open source projects.

Sep 2021 - Data Scientist

May 2023

Researched and developed credit risk models used within Desktop Underwriter. Independently wrote internal white paper on production model. Developed and taught courses on programming and project design internally.

Jun 2020 - Data Analyst

Sep 2021 Participated in a 12 week full time training in SQL, R, and Python. Onboarded to the

DU Research Team. Taught course on functional programming to new hires.

Cedar Frame | College Station, TX

Jan 2020 - Project Management Intern

May 2020 Developed land value forecasts using Python and Facebook Prophet. Stress tested forecasts under different economic assumptions.

Masterplan | Dallas, TX

Aug 2019 - **Development Intern**

Dec 2019 Worked closely with government agencies and land developers to help secure building permits. Developed presentations and 3D models of site plans.

Fannie Mae | Plano, TX

Jun 2019 - Business Analyst Intern - Chief Operating Office

Aug 2019 Wrote scripts which automated data transformation tasks in Python. Generated challenger cash balance forecasts.

Personal Website

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Interests

- Data Science
- Economics
- Finance
- Mortgage Lending
- Real Estate
- Affordable Housing
- Risk Management
- Solving Problems