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EDUCATION

University of Kentucky – Gatton College of Business and Economics – Lexington, KY

Master of Finance, GPA: 3.93/4

08/2023 – 12/2025

Tufts University – Medford, MA

Master of Economics, GPA: 3.91/4

09/2021 – 05/2023

Shandong University – Jinan, China

Master of Research in Quantitative Economics, GPA: 88.31/100

09/2017 – 06/2020

Huazhong Agricultural University – Wuhan, China

Bachelor of Economics, GPA: 85.78/100

09/2012 – 06/2017

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant – Experian Consumer Credit Database

University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY

01/2025 – 05/2025

- Worked with large-scale consumer credit bureau data (millions of tradelines), focusing on **data cleaning, validation, and documentation.**
- Implemented logic in Stata/R/Python to determine account activity and delinquency status over time, based on payment history and industry definitions.

Tufts University – Labor Policy & Unemployment Study

Data Analyst / Researcher

09/2022 – 11/2022

- Merged multi-source datasets (labor market outcomes, policy implementation dates, and local characteristics) to analyze the effect of overnight business closure policies and unemployment insurance rules on unemployment rates.
- Implemented a **time-varying difference-in-differences** framework in Stata/R, created event-study plots, and checked robustness under alternative specifications.

CFPS Household Saving & Financial Literacy Study

Data Analyst / Thesis Project

09/2022 – 05/2023

- Cleaned and analyzed micro-survey data from the China Family Panel Studies (CFPS) to study how financial literacy affects household saving behavior.
- Performed descriptive analysis and modeling using **instrumental-variable quantile regressions and ordered probit** in Stata/R.

TEACHING & LEADERSHIP

Teaching Assistant – Statistics

Tufts University, Fall 2022

- Led recitation sessions, explained core statistical concepts, and helped students debug R/Stata code for homework and projects.

Team Captain – National Field Survey Project

China, 2015

- Managed a 20+ person survey team collecting and digitizing data from ~3,000 farmer interviews across multiple provinces; monitored data quality and deadlines.

HONORS (SELECTED)

- Varkey Fellowship, Tufts University (2021–2022)
- First-Class Academic Scholarship, Shandong University (2018–2019)