# MARIUM TAPAL

### **EDUCATION**

Smith College Northampton, MA

B.A. in Mathematics & Statistical and Data Sciences

May 2022

• GPA: 3.97/4.00

• Awards & Memberships: Cum Laude Honors, Mu Sigma Rho, Dean's List, Phi Beta Kappa, American Statistical Association

#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

applied statistics  $\cdot$  statistical methodology  $\cdot$  statistical computing  $\cdot$  quantitative methods  $\cdot$  statistics pedagogy  $\cdot$  data visualization

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Associate

Harvard Business School

Aug 2022 - Present

Supervisor: Dr. Leslie A. Perlow

- Award: \$500 HBS Human Resources Rewards and Recognition Program, June 2023
- Developed, tested, and refined a framework for measuring well-being using advanced statistical inference and custom algorithms.
- Contributing to an academic paper exploring and validating the well-being framework.
- Specialized in survey data analysis, creating data pipelines for a forthcoming public tool.
- Co-authored four research presentations to audiences of over 500.
- Managed all data and statistics related work for the Crafting Your Life MBA course and project.

## Undergraduate Researcher

Smith College

Supervisor: Dr. Benjamin S. Baumer

Jan 2020 - May 2022

- GitHub / CRAN / Publication / WSDS Conference Poster / eUSR Conference Slides
- Authored and maintain the fec16 R package providing tools for loading 2016 U.S. election data using the Extract, Transform, and Load (ETL) framework.
- Researched the extension of the package to work for any election year and created supplementary packages for the 2012 and 2020 federal U.S. elections.

## Summer Undergraduate Research Fellow

Smith College

Supervisor: Dr. Katherine M. Kinnaird

May 2021 - Aug 2021

- GitHub / PyPI / Anaconda / JOSS Paper
- Translated the repytah Python package which contains functions to build aligned hierarchies from sequential data from source code written in MATLAB.
- Contributed to the development for distribution via PvPI and Anaconda and the JOSS paper.

# Undergraduate Researcher

Smith College

Supervisor: Dr. Albert Y. Kim

Jun 2020 - Jul 2020

- 538 GitHub / 538data GitHub / ModernDive GitHub
- Solved problem of hosting large datasets in the 538 package due to CRAN size limits by creating a supplementary drat repository/package.
- Refactored the ModernDive textbook, website, and package to improve reproducibility and accessibility.

# Undergraduate Researcher

Supervisor: Dr. Stephanie G. Wang

 $\begin{array}{c} {\rm Smith~College} \\ {\rm Sep~2019~-~Dec~2019} \end{array}$ 

- Presentation
- Researched taxonomies of non-associative quasigroups (abstract algebra).
- Used MATLAB and R to generate and test data in the form of  $(\mathbb{Z}/p)^n$  matrices to look at finite-dimensional vector spaces over finite fields.

#### TECHNICAL PROJECTS

- Sentiment Analysis of Twitter Data of Financial Institutions, Capstone Project, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland.
- Automated Bayesian Simple Normal Regression: generate a fully customizable R Markdown report with 1 line of code.
- Personal Website created using the blogdown R package and Hugo-Apero.
- Marium Bakes: a baking website made using R / Quarto Markdown & HTML/CSS.
- Shiny App exploring NYC Civilian Complaints about the NYPD.
- 15-minute activity teaching classification in multimodal memes.

# PUBLICATIONS, CONTRIBUTIONS, CONFERENCES, & PRESENTATIONS

- repytah Python Package JOSS paper
- fec16 R Package Publication
- Women in Statistics and Data Science 2020 Poster
- Electronic Undergraduate Statistics Research Conference 2020 Presentation
- Intro to Git/GitHub Workshop Blog Post
- R Markdown Tips and Tricks Workshop Document
- ModernDive Book
- Abstract Algebra Research Presentation

# TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Jul 2024 Aug 2024: Mentor, The Coding School
- Sep 2021 May 2022: Statistics Tutor, Spinelli Center for Quantitative Learning, Smith College
- Jan 2022 May 2022: Grader for SDS 270: Advanced Programming in R, Statistical and Data Sciences, Smith College
- Sep 2021 May 2022: Data Assistant, Statistical and Data Sciences, Smith College
- Sep 2019 May 2022: Vice President & Data Mentor, Smithies in Statistical and Data Sciences
- Sep 2016 May 2018: Teaching Assistant, Advanced Level Mathematics, Nixor College

### OTHER EXPERIENCE

- Sep 2018 May 2022: Social Chair, Publicity Chair, EKTA Smith College's South Asian Students Association
- Aug 2019 May 2021: House Community Advisor, Smith College Residence Life
- Jan 2021 Feb 2021: Data Science Intern, FinePrint Data
- Jun 2019 Jul 2019: Treasury and Capital Markets Intern, United Bank Limited

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Technical Skills
R, Python, SQL, Git/GitHub, LaTeX, HTML, CSS
Languages
English, Urdu, Gujrati, German (Elementary)
CITI Social and Behavioral Research Investigators

Social Justice Mediation

Other Awards

100% Merit Scholarship (Nixor College, 2016 - 2018)

Pursuit of Excellence in Academics (Nixor College, 2017)

Dean's Wall (Nixor College, 2017)