

# Micaela V. McCall

## DATA SCIENTIST

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## TOOLS & SKILLS

### Data Science

- Python
- Clojure
- R
- Machine learning
- Statistical modeling
- Feature extraction
- Classification & regression
- Supervised & unsupervised
- Natural language processing
- Predictive analytics
- Data visualization
- Amazon Sagemaker & Quicksight
- MLOps
- MLFlow
- MongoDB
- Azure ML
- PostgreSQL
- Git & Github

### Software Engineering

- Agile software development
- Test-driven development
- Refactoring
- Pair programming/mobbing
- Azure DevOps
- Kubernetes
- Docker
- AWS/Azure
- Jira
- Elasticsearch
- ETL

## EDUCATION

**Georgia Institute of Technology**, *MS in Analytics, Computational Data Analytics Track*

**2023-Present**

**Emory University**, *BS in Neuroscience and Behavioral Biology, BA in Religion*

**2014-2018**

- **Honors:** Highest Honors in Neuroscience Research, Phi Beta Kappa, Nu Rho Psi (National Neuroscience Honor Society), Theta Alpha Kappa (National Religious Studies Honor Society).

*Atlanta, GA*

## EXPERIENCE

### Data Scientist

**07-2022 -**

OneStudyTeam, a member of the Reify Health family

**12-2022**

- Developed analytics and reporting related to site use and engagement on the OneStudyTeam platform.
- Built and maintained Python and dbt (SQL) data analysis pipelines for self-service dashboards, reducing the number of ad hoc data requests from internal stakeholders.
- Implemented analytical projects such as statistical KPI assessment and anomaly detection using time series methods.
- Worked with healthcare data in compliance with the data accountability standards of HIPAA and GDPR.
- Collaborated with internal customer, product, sales, and marketing teams.

### Data Scientist

**03-2020 -**

ATA, LLC, The Full Stack Data Science Company

**06-2022**

- Implemented the following analytical projects in Python:
  - Data-driven geospatial risk-analysis algorithm using Bayesian statistics
  - Suite of machine learning and statistical anomaly detection algorithms for use in streaming data systems
  - Ensemble of deep learning and classical machine learning for regression problems in logistics
  - Natural Language Processing and use of ontologies for text navigation
- Served as both a tech lead and team member in the design and implementation of full-stack data-intensive applications (in Clojure) to put the above data science solutions into production.
- Applied machine learning operations (MLOps) to production systems, including the development, testing, deployment, and management of model services.
- Developed RESTful APIs in Clojure for complex data integration, processing data from public and licenced datasets, storing in relational and document-oriented databases, and preparing for use by company user interfaces.
- Communicated analytical methods and results to technical and non-technical clients and stakeholders.

### Research Fellow

**05-2018 -**

National Institutes of Health, National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health

**03-2020**

- Built pipelines in R and Python for analysis of behavioral and physiological data (fMRI, autonomic).
- Managed Electronic Health Records and clinical data.
- Facilitated patient visits and consulted with patients on study procedures.

*Bethesda, MD*

- Designed data visualizations and prepared manuscripts for publication in peer reviewed journals.
- Collaborated with a diverse research team; prepared written and verbal reports for multidisciplinary audiences.

### Undergraduate Neuroscience Research Honors Candidate

Emory University School of Medicine, Dept. of Psychiatry

- Earned Highest Honors in research.
- Developed projects to collect and statistically examine physiological and quantitative behavioral data using R.
- Presented results to a diverse, technical and non-technical thesis committee.

06-2017 -  
05-2018  
Atlanta, GA

### Research Assistant

Mauritian Laboratory for Experimental Anthropology

- Implemented ethnographical research methods (conducted interviews with local Mauritians, collected saliva samples during local sword-climbing rituals).
- Designed a research project to explore religious syncretism.

07-2016  
La Gaulette,  
Mauritius

### Undergraduate Research Assistant

Yerkes National Primate Research Center

- Collected observational social behavior of infant Rhesus macaques.
- Examined macaque eye-tracking data to assess the effect of oxytocin dosing on social gaze preference.

08-2015 -  
05-2017  
Atlanta, GA

## PROJECTS [more at michaelmccall.com](http://michaelmccall.com)

### Finding Topic Clusters in Tech News ([GitHub](#))

NIH Foundation for Advanced Education in the Sciences, Bioinformatics and Data Science

- Web-scraped 1,500 tech news articles and trained a KMeans unsupervised algorithm to cluster articles based on content.

01-2020  
Bethesda, MD

### Exploring Patient Satisfaction and Readmission in Medically Underserved Areas ([GitHub](#))

NIH Foundation for Advanced Education in the Sciences, Bioinformatics and Data Science

- Munged data from multiple API queries, totalling over 2400 rows, and visualized factor relationships using Python.

09-2019  
Bethesda, MD

### Using Supervised Learning to Classify Drug Consumption Behavior ([GitHub](#))

NIH Foundation for Advanced Education in the Sciences, Bioinformatics and Data Science

- Trained Logistic Regression, random forest, and SVC models on survey data to predict drug use using Python.

11-2018  
Bethesda, MD

## PUBLICATIONS

Case, L. K., Madian, N., **McCall, M. V.**, Bradson, M., Liljencrantz, J., Goldstein, B., Alasha, V., Zimmerman, M. (2023) Aβ-CT Affective Touch: Touch Pleasantness Ratings for Gentle Stroking and Deep Pressure Exhibit Dependence on A-Fibers. *eNeuro*, 10(5), ENEURO.0504-22.2023. <https://doi.org/10.1523/ENEURO.0504-22.2023>.

Case, L. K., Liljencrantz, J., **McCall, M. V.**, Bradson, M., Necaie, A., Tubbs, J., ... & Bushnell, M. C. (2021). Pleasant deep pressure: expanding the social touch hypothesis. *Neuroscience*, 464, 3-11. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neuroscience.2020.07.050>.

- Processed and statistically analyzed fMRI data using Python and FSL; prepared visualizations for manuscript.

**McCall, M. V.**, Riva-Posse, P., Garlow, S. J., Mayberg, H. S., & Crowell, A. L. (2020). Analyzing non-verbal behavior throughout recovery in a sample of depressed patients receiving deep brain stimulation. *Neurology, Psychiatry and Brain Research*, 37, 33-40. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.npbr.2020.05.002>.

- Designed project, collected, and analyzed behavioral data in R using Factor Analysis, Analysis of Variance, and Regression.

Case, L. K., Liljencrantz, J., Madian, N., Necaie, A., Tubbs, J., **McCall, M.**, ... & Chesler, A. T. (2021). Innocuous pressure sensation requires A-type afferents but not functional PIEZO2 channels in humans. *Nature communications*, 12.1, 1-10. <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-021-20939-5>.

Case, L., **McCall, M.**, Bradson, M., Necaie, A., Tubbs, J., Liljencrantz, J., ... & Bushnell, M. (2019). Effect of Naloxone on Touch Intensity and Pleasantness. *The Journal of Pain*, 20.4, S63-S64. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpain.2019.02.053>.

## PRESENTATIONS

- Laura K. Case PhD, **Micaela V. McCall**, Megan Bradson, M. Catherine Bushnell PhD. *Effect of Naloxone on Touch Intensity and Pleasantness*. Poster presented at American Pain Society Scientific Meeting. **04-2019**  
Milwaukee, WI
- Micaela McCall**, Andrea Crowell MD, Lydia Denison BS, Patricio Riva Posse MD, Helen Mayberg MD. *Non-verbal Behavior in Depression Patients Receiving Deep Brain Stimulation*. Poster presented at Emory University Neuroscience and Behavioral Biology Undergraduate Research Symposium. **04-2018**  
Atlanta, GA
- Micaela McCall**, Andrea Crowell MD, Helen Mayberg MD. *Acute and Chronic Deep Brain Stimulation Effect on Heart Rate Variability*. Poster presented at Emory University Summer Undergraduate Research Symposium. **07-2017**  
Atlanta, GA
- Micaela McCall**, J. M. Brooks, T. J. Jonesteller, S. Moss, T. R. Heitz, L. A. Parr, PhD. *The effect of chronic oxytocin on the gaze preferences of infant macaques*. Poster presented at Emory University Fall Undergraduate Research Symposium. **08-2016**  
Atlanta GA

## TRAININGS & WORKSHOPS

- Algorithmic Toolbox**, UC San Diego Coursera **Summer 2021**  
**Introduction to Computer Science**, HarvardX **Fall 2020**  
**Probability - The Science of Uncertainty and Data**, MITx **Fall 2020**  
**Linear Algebra**, Northern Virginia Community College **Summer 2020**  
**Elementary Calculus II**, Foundation for Advanced Education in the Sciences **Spring 2020**  
**Applied Machine Learning**, Foundation for Advanced Education in the Sciences **Fall 2019**  
**Introduction to Python**, Foundation for Advanced Education in the Sciences **Fall 2018**  
**NVIDIA GPU Technology Conference**, Washington DC **11-2019**  
**Artificial Intelligence in Healthcare: From Prevention & Diagnostics to Treatments**, Bethesda, MD **10-2019**  
**IBM Hands-on Introduction to Machine Learning / Deep Learning Workshop**, Bethesda, MD **09-019**  
**NIH AFNI Bootcamp**, Bethesda, MD **03-2019**  
**Maryland Neuroimaging Retreat**, Baltimore, MD **04-2019**  
**Discovery and Validation of Biomarkers to Develop Non-Addictive Therapeutics for Pain**, Bethesda, MD **11-2018**  
**Introduction to MATLAB Fundamentals for Biomedical Scientists**, Bethesda, MD **07-2018**