John Hadaway

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Selected experience

MIT Senseable City Lab

Dubai, UAE

Visiting Student

September 2024 - February 2025

Pursuing research on transportation systems, decarbonisation, and on-demand food delivery services as part of my master's thesis and supporting the lab's ongoing projects.

Finnish Geospatial Research Institute (FGI)

Helsinki, FI

Assistant Research Scientist

June 2024 - September 2024

- Developed the frontend of a prototype (TS Angular, OpenLayers, HSLayers) for a tool designed to help planners scale drone operations in Baltic cites, as part of the EU-funded CITYAM project.
- ♦ Built a server-side multi-criteria weighted-overlay analysis script (Python Geopandas, Rasterio, Shapely; Docker; GeoServer), integrating it with the frontend.

SPIN Unit Helsinki, FI

Spatial Data Analyst Partner May 2021 - April 2024

Research Assistant (Internship)

May 2021 - August 2022 March 2019 - May 2021

- Conducted geospatial data analysis and visualisation (Python e.g., PySAL, Geopandas, igraph; GeoDa; QGIS) and automated recurring processes, incorporating parallelisation for computationally-intensive tasks requiring cloud resources (Google CE).
- Consulted with municipal and ministry clients, justifying recomendations through reports, presentations, and data visualisation (JS React, Mapbox GL JS; HTML; CSS).

Design Museum — Museum of Finnish Architecutre

Helsinki, FI

Civil Service / Siviilipalvelus

September 2022 - August 2023

♦ Executed a pilot project integrating the data architectures of the two merging museums, making daily reporting of KPIs possible (MS Power Platform).

The University of Chicago, Department of Sociology

Chicago, US

College Research Fellow

January 2018 - May 2021

♦ Analysed and visualised data (Python - Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib; R) for Professor Marco Garrido's research on the illiberal turn in cities in the Global South.

Community Programs Accelerator

Chicago, US

Data Team, Project Consultant

January 2018 - May 2021

♦ Analysed and visualised data (Python - Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib; Tableau) as part of non-profit consulting engagements, reccomending data-driven strategies.

Ernst & Young Manila, PH

Summer Business Analyst (Internship)

June 2017 - August 2017

Completed the EY Core Consulting program and wrote an R-based implementation of Otsu's method to extract building height information from satellite images.

Education

University of Helsinki — Aalto University

September 2023 - June 2025

Master of Social Sciences, Urban Studies and Planning. GPA 5.0/5.0.

The University of Chicago

September 2016 - June 2021

Bachelor of Arts, History. Major GPA: 3.97/4.0.

Architectural Association School of Architecture

September 2019 - May 2020

(First Year) Bachelor of Arts, Architecture.

lls Skill areas: Spatial data analysis/science, interactive data visualisation, urban research.

Programming languages: Proficient in Python, R, SQL, JS, TS, HTML, and CSS.

Software: Proficient with GeoDA, QGIS, Tableau, Power BI, and Rhinoceros3D. Familiar with Figma, the Adobe Creative Suite (Illustrator, InDesign, Premiere), and AutoCAD.

Skills