

# Brian Moran

## EDUCATION

**UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON. M.S. in Computational Linguistics.** Seattle, WA  
*College of Arts & Sciences. Mar 2017 – Sept 2018 (expected).*  
**Selected coursework:** *Shallow Processing Techniques for NLP, Introduction to Artificial Intelligence, Deep Processing Techniques for NLP, Advanced Statistical Methods for NLP.*

**CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FRESNO. B.A. in Computational Linguistics.** Fresno, CA  
*College of Arts & Humanities. Jan. 2015 – Dec 2016. Dean's List.*

## EXPERIENCE

**Amazon.com.** Boston, MA | [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com)

**Language Engineer Intern.** *June 2018 – Present.* | Comparative analysis of machine learning classification systems, generation of corpora, writing of production code.

**University of Washington.** Seattle, WA | [www.uw.edu](http://www.uw.edu)

**Research Assistant.** *Jan 2017 – Present.* | Experimentation with and utilization of various machine learning for noise reduction in Language Models generated by means of mismatched crowd-sourcing as a part of the "Low Resource Languages for Emergent Incidents" (LORELEI) DARPA funded project.

**The Language Conservancy.** Bloomington, IN | [www.languageconservancy.org](http://www.languageconservancy.org)

**Documentation Associate.** *May 2016 – July 2016.* Linguistic fieldwork for language documentation and restoration.

**California State University, Fresno.** Fresno, CA | [www.fresnostate.edu](http://www.fresnostate.edu)

- ❖ **Student Assistant.** *Jun 2015 – Aug 2015.* Webonary maintenance.
- ❖ **Instructional Student Assistant.** *Aug 2015 - Dec 2016* | Teaching Assistant.
- ❖ **Research Assistant.** *May 2015 – Aug 2015* | Development of text processing tools.

**United States Navy.** Atsugi, Japan & Lemoore, CA. | [www.navy.mil](http://www.navy.mil)

**Aviation Electrician's Mate Second Class.** *Aug 2008 – May 2013*

## SKILLS

- ❖ **Programming Languages:** (*Advanced*) Python 3; (*Familiar*) C++, Java, Haskell, Perl.
- ❖ **Tools:** Carmel (Finite State Machine tool), Mallet (word classification tool), Genism, Word2Vec, Numpy, pytorch, Natural Language Tool Kit, SKlearn, Git, Github.

## PROJECTS & ACITIVITIES

- ❖ **English Word Analogizer.** Implementation of neural net word analogy system that finds the appropriate word "Moscow" given the query: "Germany is to Berlin as Russia is to \_\_\_\_" using Word2Vec and basic Cosine Similarity.
- ❖ **Movie Script Genre Classifier.** Mining, processing, and interpretation of unstructured data and implementation of a text classification system using SRILM toolkit.
- ❖ **Knowledge-graph QA System.** Construction of a small ontology for use in a movie question answering system.
- ❖ **Workshop for American Indigenous Languages.** Presenter | May, 2017. Presentation: *Hidatsa and Sonority: The Gradient Lexical Effect of the Syllable Contact Law and Emergent Categoricity.*