Candidate Statement

I am an Assistant Professor In-Residence in the Biostatistics Department at UCLA, Los Angeles, California. I earned both my MS and doctoral degrees in Biostatistics from University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. My research interests include developing novel statistical methods for big data, meaning extremely large data sets with complex structures and high dimensional \( n, p \), or both; high dimensional inference; machine learning; survival analysis with applications in cancer research, genetics, epigenetics, metabolomics, etc.

While I am relatively new to WNAR as I have joined UCLA and moved to the west coast since 2019, I have been a member of IBS, ASA and IMS for 1 to 5 years. If I were selected the representative-at-large, I would like to help expanding WNAR’s impact through widening the reach, increasing membership, conference participation and raising the recognition in faculty, students and industrial professionals. Specifically I would like to encourage WNAR to strengthen its connection with east coast institutions and across the global.