ESTHER YILMAZ

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SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Data engineer focused on reliable pipelines and numbers the business can trust.
- Experience across 4 employers, most recently as Senior Data Engineer at Bluefin Retail.
- Enjoy turning messy source data into clean, documented models.
- Known for clear communication with colleagues and for following work through to the end.

EDUCATION

TU Berlin — **Berlin**

BSc Mathematics and Statistics — *2017*

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Bluefin Retail — **Chicago, IL**

Senior Data Engineer — *Oct 2025 – Present*

- Introduced data quality checks that caught bad supplier feeds before they reached dashboards.
- Built a self-serve dataset catalogue so analysts could find tables without asking.
- Built batch and streaming pipelines feeding the company's reporting layer for 50 business teams.
- Partnered with security to mask personal data in non-production copies.
- Checked the airflow of the cold room each morning.

Nimbus Energy — **Chicago, IL**

Data Engineer — *Mar 2024 – Aug 2025*

- Ran fortnightly office hours for analysts with data questions.
- Worked with analysts to define one set of customer metrics used across the business.
- Documented every production pipeline and set up alerts for late or failed loads.
- Rewrote slow transformation jobs and cut nightly runtime from five hours to ninety minutes.

Corvid Media — **Chicago, IL**

Data Analyst — *Dec 2022 – Mar 2024*

- Set up access controls so sensitive tables were only visible to approved roles.
- Cut warehouse compute cost by 35% by partitioning large tables and removing unused models.
- Created a backfill process that reloaded three years of history in a weekend.

Atlas Mobility — **Chicago, IL**

Data Analyst — *Dec 2020 – Nov 2022*

- Rebuilt the nightly sales models so finance had numbers by 7am instead of midday.
- Built a cost dashboard that showed each team what its queries cost.

PROJECTS

Public transport delays dashboard (side project)

- Planned and delivered it alongside day-to-day work, with a written plan and agreed success measures.
- Shared the results with the wider team and kept the documentation up to date.

Kaggle: retail demand forecasting

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TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages & tools: Scala
General: SQL, Git, Looker, Data modelling
Languages: English (Fluent)

CERTIFICATIONS

- Google Cloud Digital Leader
- Data Engineering Fundamentals (online)

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Member of a community choir.
- Organiser of a monthly running club with around 30 members.

REFERENCE

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