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EDUCATION

CFA® Program participant, CFA Institute

- Level I completed in 2024, Level II exam in 2025 (Recipient of CFA® Program Student Scholarship both times)

Católica Lisbon School of Business and Economics

International Master of Science in Finance (Ranked #16 in the world by FT, 2024) Aug. 2022 – May 2024

- GPA: 19 out of 20 (Top student of Finance programs)
- Key subjects: Corporate Finance; Asset Pricing; Financial Derivatives; Financial Modelling; International Finance.
- Thesis: "The drivers and profitability of sell-side analysts' recommendation revisions' tails" (20 out of 20)

Bachelor of Science in Economics

Sep. 2019 – Jun. 2022

- GPA: 18 out of 20 (Top student of Economics)
- Key subjects: Macroeconomics; Microeconomics; Social Policies; Corporate Finance; Capital Markets.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Deloitte, Luxembourg

Junior Derivative Valuation Specialist

Nov. 2024 – Present

- Developed models and analysis techniques used in the valuation of financial derivative instruments; employed quantitative and programming skills to improve proprietary valuation solutions; gained exposure to a wide range of OTC derivative products, such as swaps, forwards, CDSs, options, swaptions and illiquid bonds.

BNP Paribas, Lisbon

M&A Intern – Energy, Natural Resources, Infrastructure and Transportation Team

May 2024 – Jun. 2024

- Prepared presentation materials for clients and internal pitches of potential transactions; cooperated in the construction of valuation models; conducted regular valuations of businesses and accounting adjustments for a pro-forma analysis.

Citibank Europe PLC, Madrid

Summer Corporate Banking Analyst

Jun. 2023 – Aug. 2023

- Executed the pre-onboarding presentations of two potential clients; developed valuation models and the businesses cases assumptions on different companies, as well as ad hoc analyses of repayment capacity according to the debt structure and respective repayment covenants; created a thorough analysis on project finance with an emphasis on the financing structure and development of clean energy projects.

Católica Lisbon School of Business and Economics, Lisbon

Teaching Assistant

Jan. 2023 – Jun. 2023; Feb. 2024 – May 2024

- Public Economics: lectured classes on taxes, public goods, externalities and voting rights models.
- Empirical Finance and Portfolio Management and Sustainability: created and graded evaluation materials and prepared other course materials.

Research Assistant in Finance

Sep. 2022 – Jun. 2023; Mar. 2024 – Present

- Research topics: the impact of sovereign credit ratings in the bond market and on companies' capital structure; the winning curse phenomenon of sovereign bond auctions; the importance of financial advisors' reputation for acquirers; the economic value of influential recommendations from sell-side analysts.

Banco Português de Gestão, Lisbon

Risk Management Intern

Jun. 2022 – Sep. 2022

- Examined the risk profile of credit proposals; performed risk budget analysis on the Bank's portfolio exposures and developed scenario analysis for potential investments and assets; collaborated on the computation of the Bank's impairment; responsible for updating documents submitted to the Portuguese Central Bank.

HONOURS AND AWARDS

Bank of Portugal

Prize "Professor Jacinto Nunes" (Best student in Economics among the best universities in Portugal)

Jan. 2023

Católica Lisbon School of Business and Economics

Best International Master of Science in Finance Thesis Award

Nov. 2024

Student representative of the International MSc in Finance at the School Year Opening Ceremony

Oct. 2024

Prize "Democracia e Desenvolvimento" (Best student in Economics)

Oct. 2022

Student representative of the BSc in Economics at the School Year Opening Ceremony

Oct. 2022

Católica TOP+ Merit Scholarship, International Master of Science in Finance

Dec. 2021

Católica TOP+ Merit Scholarship, Bachelor of Science in Economics

Jul. 2019 – Jul. 2021

PERSONAL SKILLS

Languages: Portuguese (Native); English (Fluent); Spanish (Fluent); French (Intermediate).

IT: DataStream (Proficient); Factset (Proficient); MS Office (Proficient); Refinitiv Eikon (Proficient); STATA (Proficient); VBA (Proficient); Bloomberg (Intermediate); Python (Intermediate); MATLAB (Beginner).

ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS

Volunteer work: Food delivery to families in need at CASA - Azeitão Association.

Jul. 2018 – Nov. 2021

Sports: Tennis (teams national vice-champion and regional champion).

Sep. 2007 – Present