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Part-qualified ACCA professional and MSc Financial Management graduate with hands-on FP&A experience in budgeting, rolling forecasting, and month-end reporting within a regulated financial services environment. Proven track record of partnering with senior stakeholders to deliver clear financial insights, improve forecast accuracy, and support strategic decision-making. Strong technical capability in Excel, VBA, and Python, with a data-driven approach to cost control, performance analysis, and financial planning.

### **EDUCATION**

**ACCA Qualification • Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (Part-Qualified)** Sep 2025 - Present

- Part Qualified: Completed 7 out of 13 exams.

**Certificate Of Treasury • Association of Corporate Treasurers (Part-Qualified)** Jan 2025 - Present

- One of the 20 awardees of the membership, received maximum exemptions

**MSc Financial Management (Distinction) • University of Birmingham** Sep 2023 - Sep 2024

- Relevant Modules: Financial Statement Analysis, Risk Analysis & Management,, Advanced Econometrics

**B. Com. (Hons) (First Class) • Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning** Sep 2020 – May 2023

- Relevant Modules: Advanced Accounting, Financial Management, Data Analysis

### **EXPERIENCE**

**Graduate Finance Assistant • The Nottingham Building Society** Feb 2025 – Present

- Performed monthly variance analysis against budget and forecast, highlighting key cost drivers and risks to support management decision-making.
- Partnered with managers and executives on budget planning and utilisation, translating complex financial insights into clear, actionable guidance.
- Led the implementation of a rolling forecast by building a dynamic model using VBA and Excel that updates departmental projections in real time to support data-driven decision-making.
- Managed payroll analysis for 500+ employees, collaborating with People Operations to consolidate monthly data and deliver clear, visual insights to stakeholders.
- Managed accruals and prepayments reconciliations as part of the month-end close to ensure accurate cost recognition.
- Developed process automations to streamline month-end reporting, significantly improving efficiency and turnaround time.

**Library Shaper • University of Birmingham** Nov 2023 – Aug 2024

- Collaborated with 12 student volunteers, academic staff, and external stakeholders to design and deliver an AI research workshop for 50+ participants, promoting data literacy and AI awareness.
- Led curriculum ideation and session design, achieving a 95% participant satisfaction score based on post-event feedback.

### **PROJECTS**

**Credit Risk Modelling Using Deep Learning and AI • MSc Dissertation** Nov 2023 – Dec 2024

- Ranked 1st in the program for outstanding dissertation, demonstrating advanced analytical and research capability in credit risk.
- Developed a deep learning–based credit risk model achieving 93% default prediction accuracy across three international datasets.
- Built strong credit fundamentals through analysis of transaction structures, cash flows, and loss allocation mechanisms.

### **SKILLS**

**Technical Skills:** Microsoft suite (Advanced), excel (Advanced), accounting (advanced), financial forecasting (advanced), python (advanced), machine learning (intermediate), tableau (intermediate)

**Professional Skills:** variance analysis, cost control, management reporting, scenario planning, and stakeholder engagement.

**Languages:** English (fluent), Hindi (native), French (intermediate)