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EXPERIENCE

With over 3 years of experience in Investment Banking (IB), and approximately 2 years in strategy consulting, my empirical learning in corporate finance, cross-border investment, Private Equity (PE), and strategy are my strengths. Ample industry experience has proven my drive to meet and exceed performance goals in challenging environments.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

WAM Equity Partners

Project Associate / Venture Capital Division

February, 2022 - Present

Manhattan, NY

- · Defining pertinent risk parameters to manage existing portfolios and develop an internal fund;
- · Conducting quantitative and qualitative research and evaluation on digital technologies such as Metaverse, NFT, Blockchain technology for potential investment.

MIT Innovation Initiative (MITII), MIT

October, 2021 - Present

Fellow / Sandbox Innovation Fund

Cambridge, MA

· Nominated as the chief financial advisor of Cogito, a collaborative effort between entrepreneurs at the MIT Sloan School of Management & School of Engineering, the Harvard Innovation Lab, and Brown University's Program in Innovation Management and Entrepreneurship.

Asian Development Bank (ADB)

March, 2021 – August, 2021

Consultant / Knowledge Expert Advisory Center

Manila, Philippines

- · Led and improved the cost recovery process for ADB's investment in developing member countries;
- · Facilitated Operation & Management (O&M) innovation and technology cooperation knowledge to accelerate infrastructure development in Southeast Asia.

Hyundai Group

December, 2017 - March, 2021

Assistant Manager / Risk Evaluation (March, 2020 – March, 2021)

Seoul, South Korea

- · Reviewed various investment projects in the Risk Evaluation team by performing the following: P-CBO, bond, fund investment, corporate finance related financial arrangements and M&A activities, IT related VC investment reviews, and relevant procedures needed;
- · Performed corporate and market risk analysis and research, communicating with internal/external experts, and implementing due diligence.

Senior Analyst / Private Equity (December, 2017 – February, 2020)

- · Carried out various tasks such as arranging corporate financing, forming a PEF, PDF, and investing in RCPS and collateral loans;
- · Prepared and executed investment on IT-related enterprises such as semiconductor and foundry companies and a Chinese facial recognition AI unicorn company;
- · Successfully completed the Toshiba Memory Corporation's acquisition financing arrangement by raising \$501 million in cross-border acquisition financing.

EDUCATION

Brown University July, 2021 – May, 2022

Master of Science (MS) in Innovation Management & Entrepreneurship (Tech-MBA)

Providence, RI

· Recruited as the Graduate Teaching Assistant (TA) for the course "Management of Industrial and Nonprofit Organizations" (ENGN0090), and "Managerial Decision Making" (ENGN0900).

Kookmin University

August, 2020 - August, 2021 Seoul, South Korea

Master of Engineering (ME) in Artificial Intelligence (AI) - Transferred Out · Scouted as the Research Assistant (RA) for the Financial Services Research Institute to conduct research on AI-powered fintech practices

September, 2011 – June, 2017 University of the Arts London

London, UK

Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Management and Leadership Diploma at CMI (Honors)

· Awarded the highest honor in the university for graduate thesis under the supervision Liz Gee, Dean of Business Division of UAL.

FEATURED PUBLICATIONS

"Business Efficiency Gains through Improved Water Billing Practices"

Development Asia 2021

· Asian Development Bank Official Blog

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"Social VR as the New Normal? Understanding User Interactions for the Business Arena."

Proceedings of CHI ACM 2021

· One of the most prominent international conferences in emerging technology

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CERTIFICATIONS

Private Financing for Infrastructure and Sustainable Growth (Asian Development Bank Institute)

June, 2021

Bloomberg Market Concepts (Bloomberg)

February, 2021

Fund Investment Solicitor (Korea Financial Investment Association)

October, 2017

The APM Project Fundamentals Qualification (Association of Project Management)

March, 2017

· Nationally certified certification in the UK