James Talavera

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EDUCATION

California State Polytechnic University, Pomona - Cumulative GPA: 3.4

Pomona, California

Major: Bachelor of Science - Finance

Class of 2019

Kaufman Fellows – Venture Deals (Brad Feld, TechStars, Kaufman Fellows collaboration)

Selected Coursework: Asset Allocation, Economic Statistics, Money and Banking, Applied Portfolio Management (FRL 499)

EXPERIENCE

J.P. Morgan San Francisco, California

Life Science Summer Analyst

June 2018 – August 2018

- Worked on financial models to support financing transactions in the Life Science and For-Profit Healthcare Space
- Prepared marketing materials for client calls including financing alternatives, working capital optimization, and industry analysis
- Created research profiles on public and private companies involved in emerging CRISPR-Cas9 & CAR-T Therapy space

Bardi Co.

Los Angeles, California

Spring Investment Banking Analyst

February 2018 – May 2018

- Participate in deal team providing services including M&A advisory, capital raises, and private placements
- Assist with creation of CIM, Teaser, and other marketing materials for technology and media companies
- Created financial models including DCF Valuation, comparable analysis, market approach, and competitor research

Goldman Sachs Salt Lake City, Utah

Fall Account Management Intern

September 2017 – December 2017

- Gather and analyze data to improve operational efficiency of Sales/Trading and Merchant Banking desks
- Took an active role in the lifecycle of transactions by implementing collateral management and maintenance of securities and cash
- Automated departmental reporting tasks for the Reference Data Operations team to improve operational flow and risk mitigation

First Republic Bank
San Francisco, California

Business Banking Summer Analyst

Kaiser Permanente

June 2017 – August 2017

- Constructed cash flow models and financial statement analyses for live deals in the healthcare sector
- Conducted market research in different industry verticals (Healthcare, Entertainment, Technology)
- Contributed to analysis of large entertainment/tech companies that led to approval of \$300MM+ credit facilities and syndications

Treasury Summer Analyst, Strategic Finance

Oakland, California June 2016 – August 2016

• Collected, organized, and analyzed 2016 Q2 report of \$200M leased medical/IT equipment for Treasurer's review

- Presented relative cost structure findings on top solar energy contractors to build renewable energy fixtures on 15 hospital buildings
- Modeled lease costs of 10 medical office buildings to determine which acquisitions from lessors would be most beneficial

LEADERSHIP & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Finance Society
Pomona, California
President
May 2017 – Present

- Grew club to carry the largest membership base of all student clubs in the College of Business (60% growth in first year)
- Coordinated professional development services (workshops, guest speakers, community service)

Student Managed Investment Fund

Pomona, California

Analyst

August 2018 - Present

- Formulating, documenting and implementing the fund's inceptual investment thesis, traded securities on \$250,000 fund
- Determining target equity sector allocations relative to a selected benchmark using risk-return and optimization models

VentureCapital.Org

Salt Lake City, Utah

Investor Liaison

October 2017 – February 2018

- Evaluated pitch decks and offered feedback to improve deal attractiveness to potential investors
- Coached entrepreneurs on presentation style to help improve their pitch to VC, Angel, and other investors
- Assessed the credibility of business models, company valuations, and revenue projections

CFA Institute Research Competition

Orange, California

Equity Research Analyst (Cal Poly Representative)

November 2016 – March 2017

- Read through 10K, 10Q, 8K and other financial forms to arrive at conclusions about a commercial bank
- Presented findings, research report and investment recommendation to a panel of CFA charterholders in a competitive format

Other Affiliations: NASA-CPP Startup Program, SEO Career, Association of Latino Professionals for America

OTHER SKILLS & INTERESTS

Computer: Bloomberg, Capital IQ (CapIQ), FactSet, Pitchbook, Microsoft Office, R Studio, ARGUS

Other Interests: Tennis, Skiing, Cooking, Fluent in Spanish