

# JOSH ZHU

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### Hitachi

San Jose, CA

#### Corporate FP&A Analyst – Chief Product Strategy Office

2019-2020

- Partnered with Hitachi's senior executives and their teams to optimize financial planning, ensuring budget alignment with strategic corporate objectives and annual operating plan
- Drafted monthly summary communications and presented consolidated financials to management which offered critical insights to drive business decisions, identifying risks and opportunities within the budget
- Managed annual operating expenses of \$160M for 8 BU's in the product organization (including budget forecasting and headcount planning), served as primary finance approver for all hiring requisitions and PRs
- Spearheaded monthly close process by preparing monthly financial reporting package detailing variance review and performing journal entries (accruals and reclasses)

### Maxim Integrated

San Jose, CA

#### CFO Rotation Program – Corporate Finance & BU Finance Analyst

2018-2019

- Led forecasting and budgeting process for HR Org (\$15M yearly spend), collaborated with key business partners to determine team-specific headcount and controllable expenses for the annual operating plan
- Implemented and monitored cost-cutting initiatives in partnership with Finance executives that resulted in company savings of \$5M in one quarter
- Prepared business case reviews and generated financial analysis for 8 new projects successfully approved by company leadership team with expected combined revenue of \$106M
- Generated financial reports for ABU business managers and engineers to evaluate profitability metrics for current product portfolio to ensure projects are aligned with business needs and goals

## EDUCATION

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### Arizona State University – W.P. Carey School of Business

Tempe, AZ

#### M.S Business Analytics

Expected May 2022

### New York University - Leonard N. Stern School of Business

New York, NY

#### B.S. Finance, Joint Minor in Computer Science and Mathematics, Cum Laude

2017

- **GPA:** 3.6/4.0, **GMAT:** 690/800 (Top 10%)
- **Relevant Coursework:** Corporate Finance, Economics of Global Business, Financial Services Industry Overview
- **Extracurriculars:** Beta Alpha Psi Business Honors Society, Dean's List

### Springboard Data Science

Tempe, AZ

#### Data Science Fellow

2020-Present

- 550+ hours of hands-on curriculum, with 1:1 industry expert mentor oversight, and completion of 2 in-depth capstone projects. Mastering skills in Python, SQL, data analysis, data visualization, hypothesis testing, and machine learning

## LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES

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### United States Chess Federation

Phoenix, AZ

#### National Chess Master

2006 – Present

- Top 5% ranked US chess player in a community of 35,000, two-time Arizona State high school chess champion
- Ranked #17 in the US for 14-year olds in 2009 (first result on Google search for “Josh Zhu chess top age 14”)

### Arizona State Music Teachers' Association

Phoenix, AZ

#### Certified Public Performance Pianist

2005 – 2011

- Undertook rigorous 6-year program studying Music Theory and Classical Piano Performance
- Received Superior Honors for the Supreme Level of Piano Excellence in the final year of program (Top 5% of students) for passing all 6 years of exams with the highest marks.

## SKILLS & INTERESTS

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**Skills:** PowerPoint, Excel, Python, Pandas, HTML, CSS, Bootstrap, Hyperion, Oracle Business Intelligence Tools

**Interests:** Options Trading, Poker, Shark Tank, Improv Comedy, Electronic Dance Music, Basketball, Korean BBQ

**Languages:** Mandarin Chinese (Fluent), Spanish (Intermediate)