


# Michael Tsuruda

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## EDUCATION

**Brandeis University** | Waltham, MA

Jan. 2023 - Expected May 2026

Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science and Business with a specialization in Accounting and Finance

- **GPA:** 3.62 / 4.00; **Honors:** Dean's List, all semesters
- **Relevant Coursework:** Financial Accounting, Finance, Data Analytics with Excel, Marketing Management, Python.

## WORK EXPERIENCES

**Ishare Inc.** | Tokyo, Japan

Jun. 2024 - Present

Research Analyst Intern (Long-term)

- Empowered 12 million investors in making informed investment decisions by providing financial analysis supported by DCF models, and comprehensive detailed reports of the company information sessions.
- Familiarized myself with Japanese and international financial reporting standards such as ASBJ and IFRS to construct the models.

**Brandeis University** | Waltham, MA

Oct. 2023 - Present

Japanese Peer Tutor for JAPN 30A (Intermediate Japanese), JAPN 40A (Advanced Intermediate Japanese)

- Lead 6 weekly tutoring sessions for 30+ students supporting speaking acquisition, **increasing** the grades by a maximum of 20%.

## INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

**Deloitte Tohmatsu Risk Advisory** | Tokyo, Japan

Jul. 2024

Digital Governance Intern

- Developed comprehensive analyses and innovative solutions for hypothetical client challenges, focusing on Digital Transformation (DX) to enhance work efficiency and boost the firm's competitiveness, and pitched the solutions to senior executives at Deloitte.

## LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES

**TAMID at Brandeis** | Waltham, MA

Jan, 2024 - Present

Fund analyst, Finalist of the national PE project

- Utilized discounted cash flow (DCF) and leveraged buyout (LBO) models to evaluate potential investment opportunities and facilitate a comprehensive analysis of stock pitch and private equity projects for the club members.
- **Placed 4th** in the national TAMID PE competition for proposing an investment decision to purchase SMLR and reselling it after increasing the firm value by implementing strategic changes in sales and distribution, appraised the decision using an LBO model.

**Brandeis Investment Club** | Waltham, MA

Sep. 2023 - Present

Analyst

- Led stock pitches to determine and present investment decisions to 15+ club members using fundamental analysis of ratios, and financial statements such as 10K, 10Q, industry drivers, and trends in the financial market.
- Built valuation models such as Discounted Cash Flow (DCF) and Dividend Discount Model (DDM) using Microsoft Excel and Bloomberg Terminal to evaluate cash flow and calculate a theoretical stock price to determine optimal entry and exit positions.
- Advised management of the club's **\$35,000 equity portfolio**, by persuading incorporation of our team's investment thesis.

**Japanese Student Association** | Waltham, MA

Mar. 2023 - Present

Event Coordinator

- Directed the planning and management of **8 cultural and educational events** celebrating Japanese culture, providing attendees with immersive experiences in Japanese traditions which resulted in a **130% increase** through providing experience-based events.
- Managed the allocation of a **\$13,000 annual budget**, collaborated with **20+ E-board members** to host events, and facilitated communication between the art team, treasurers, and club presidents to coordinate events.

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

**Japanese Language Table** | Waltham, MA

Sep. 2023 - Present

Director

- Led a cross-cultural exchange platform for **100+ Brandeis students** to interact with native Japanese speakers fostering practical speaking skills and cultural immersion, securing financial sponsorship from the Brandeis University Japanese Language Program.

**Management of Personal Investment Portfolio** | Tokyo, Japan

Feb. 2020 - Present

- Yielded **+60% unrealized gain** with **6% annual dividends** through strategic management of a diverse investment portfolio comprising Japanese equities, ETFs, foreign currencies (USD/JPY and AUD/JPY pairs), and cryptocurrencies (Bitcoin, Ethereum).
- Significantly overperformed the market resulting in a **21.2% CAGR** and **Sharpe ratio of 2.49** by employing analysis of ratios, and financial statements, leveraged a Japanese tax-free investment account (NISA), maximizing reinvestment efficiency of dividends.

## SKILLS, CERTIFICATIONS & INTERESTS

**Languages:** Native Speaker in English and Japanese; **Elemental Proficiency** in Chinese, Hebrew

**Technical Skills:** Bloomberg Terminal, MS Excel, Tableau, Python, FactSet, Java, HTML, CSS, JS, Github, Unity, Salesforce

**Certifications & Training:** Bloomberg Market Concepts, Microsoft 365 Excel Essential Training 2018

**Publications:** Bloomberg (2024 Aug. 6th, <https://tinyurl.com/4md5ve86>)

**Interests:** Working out, swimming, winter sports, aviation, learning languages (Chinese, Hebrew), cooking