

Nada Iqbal

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EDUCATION

The University of Texas at Dallas

January 2024 – December 2025

M.S. Economics

GPA: 3.9/4.00

- **Coursework:** Monetary Economics and International Banking, Microeconomic theory, Business Forecasting, Mathematical Economics, Macroeconomic Theory I

The University of Texas at Dallas

January 2022 – December 2023

B.S. Economics

GPA: 3.89/4.00

- **Awards:** Magna Cum Laude, Major Honors, Dean's List (Spring 2022, Spring & Fall 2023)
- **Coursework:** Econometrics, Game Theory, Contemporary Macroeconomic policy, Mathematical Economics, Managerial Economics, International Finance

WORK EXPERIENCE

Model Validation Analyst

March 2024 – Present

First United Bank & Trust

Plano, TX

- Devising effective challenges for modeling assumptions, inputs, conceptual soundness and theory, developmental evidence, implementation and outputs, to improve models across various lines of business
- Performing statistical analyses and devising benchmark and back-testing schemes for internal and client models, resulting in an average increase in accuracy by 20-30%
- Identifying and quantifying model and risk inventory and tracking subsequent validation findings using GRC systems
- Preparing model validation reports and related supporting technical documents, and presenting findings to the C-Suite

Enterprise Risk Management Analyst

August 2023 – March 2024

First United Bank & Trust

Plano, TX

- Conducted risk analysis and monitored information for timely reporting of changes in the Bank's risk appetite profile
- Assisted with Bank's Enterprise Risk Information Management (GRC) System and Power BI reporting effectively enhancing the measurement of risk trends by about 23%
- Researched new areas of risk across the industry and provided structural framework to manage ESG risk
- Gathered and analyzed data to prepare reports on risk information and Key Risk Indicator metrics for board reporting
- Used UBPR (Uniform Bank Performance Report) data to conduct peer analysis of the company's risk profile

Enterprise Risk Management Intern

May 2023 – August 2023

First United Bank & Trust

Plano, TX

- Utilized Power BI and Excel to create a comprehensive dashboard for enterprise-wide risks and controls, enhancing visibility and decision-making, effectively reducing risk by 12.3%
- Analyzed cross functional risk assessments across lines of business to develop and implement risk management trends
- Presented the dashboard and research to the executives, and curated a template for the company's annual Environmental Social Governance (ESG) report

PROJECTS

Investing in the Plate | Undergraduate Honors Thesis | R

- Investigated global hunger and the role of microfinance in developing countries, utilizing data from the World Bank
- Conducted panel regression analysis in R to discern the impact of microfinance institution performance on undernourishment
- Applied statistical significance tests and Econometrics to validate results and craft a robust methodology for the study
- Summarized and synthesized findings from various studies on microfinance to provide comprehensive literature reviews, gaining insights on microfinance

Canada Macroeconomic Analysis | VECOIL | Microsoft Excel

- Analyzed and interpreted Canada's Macroeconomic data, and employed Macroeconometric models to identify structural breaks and policy changes, and presented findings in a report
- Collaborated in an international setting, integrating technical skills with cross-cultural teamwork to achieve project goals
- Utilized advanced Excel functions and tools to efficiently process and analyze macroeconomic data from FRED
- Conducted a simple linear regression to determine the Phillip's Curve coefficients for regimes determined by structural breaks

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Analysis Tools: Stata, Power BI, SQL, R, Python, Microsoft Office

Certifications: Bloomberg Market Concepts Certified, ESG Certified