# **Christopher Nieves**

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#### **EDUCATION**

Cornell University Ithaca, NY

Master of Engineering in Operations Research and Information Engineering

Aug 2011 - present

- Concentration: Financial Engineering
- **Expected Graduation:** December 2012
- **Relevant Coursework:** Investment and Portfolio Management, Liability-Driven Alpha, Corporate Credit Analysis, Optimization Modeling, Monte Carlo Simulation, Derivative Securities
- **Project:** "Intraday Tracking of a Benchmark Portfolio"
  - o Sponsored by Jacob Loveless, SVP at Cantor Fitzgerald.

Bachelor of Arts in Economics

Aug 2007 - May 2011

• **Relevant Coursework:** Spreadsheet-Based Modeling & Data Analysis, Objected- Oriented Programming & Data Structures, Industrial Organization, Behavioral Economics

## WORK & LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

## **Gary Goldberg Financial Services**

Suffern, NY

Portfolio Management Intern

Dec 2009 – present

- Supported the Investment Management Department in the research and planning of a dividend-focused portfolio that was launched in January 2011. The strategy increased 13% in its first year and currently has nearly \$100 million in assets under management.
- This summer, I worked closely with the Chief Investment Officer in developing and backtesting a new investment strategy set to be implemented later this year.
- Performed investment research across several traditional and alternative asset classes for the GMG Defensive Beta Fund (MPDAX), an affiliated mutual fund.

Cornell University Ithaca, NY

Teacher's Assistant

Aug 2011 – Dec 2011

• Worked alongside Professor Victoria Bogan in teaching financial modeling techniques to undergraduate business students using Excel and Bloomberg.

### **Theta Delta Chi Fraternity**

President, Recruitment Chair, Alumni Board Member

Jan 2009 – present

- Successfully led an organization of 70 members with a total annual operating budget of \$500,000.
- As a direct result of a 41 page report I authored, the fraternity was classified by Cornell University as "Exceeding Expectations", a designation only given to less than 10% of all Greek chapters,
- While serving as recruitment chair, the fraternity took in its largest pledge class in over 30 years.

### **SKILLS, ACTIVITIES & INTERESTS**

Technical Skills: Java, VBA, MATLAB, R, C++, Bloomberg API

Activities: Economics Research Assistant, Habitat for Humanity, Spectemur Agendo Foundation

**Interests:** Music Production, Homebrewing, Event Management