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EDUCATION

George Brown College

Sept 2023 - May 2024

Toronto, Ontario

Postgraduate in Project Management (Major: Risk Management) (Dean's List)

Sept 2022 - Jun 2023

Cambrian College Postgraduate in International Business (Major: Finance) (Dean's List)

Sudbury, Ontario

Loyola College

Jun 2018 - Aug 2021

Bachelor of Commerce in International Accounting and Finance (Merit Recipient)

Hyderabad, India

Coursework: Financial Management, Risk Management, Financial Modeling, Data Analytics, Project Management

Strategic & Risk Analytics: Compliance Risk Assessment, Credit Risk Modeling, Operational Risk Analysis, Financial Risk

Reviews

Data Analytics & Visualization: SQL, SAS, Power BI, Tableau, Advanced Excel, IBM Cognos Financial & Business Modeling: Forecasting, Financial Modeling, Variance Analysis, Trend Analysis

WORK EXPERIENCE

Protiviti Nov 2024 - Present

Financial Risk Analyst

Toronto, Ontario

- Led cross-functional teams in conducting compliance risk assessments on financial transactions, advising senior leadership on regulatory adherence and optimizing internal controls, resulting in a 25% improvement in governance practices.
- Streamlined financial workflows by engineering automation tools, which reduced transaction processing time by 20% and increased operational efficiency.
- Developed data-driven credit risk models that optimized capital allocation, enhancing overall portfolio stability and reducing exposure to credit defaults by 10%.

Blue Bells Technical Services

Jun 2024 - Aug 2024

Financial Analyst Intern

Hyderabad, India

- · Designed and implemented risk-adjusted financial forecasting models, providing leadership with enhanced scenario planning and reducing variance errors by 25%.
- Increased working capital efficiency by 15% by conducting advanced liquidity risk analyses and recommending improvements to cash flow management.
- Conducted in-depth variance analysis on operational expenditures, leading to strategic cost reduction measures and achieving a 10% decrease in OPEX.

Metro Tax Solutions

Jan 2024 - Apr 2024

Staff Accountant Intern

Toronto, Ontario

- \bullet Managed reconciliations for 50+ client accounts, enhancing reporting accuracy by 12% and minimizing financial discrepancies. Reviewed, processed, and analyzed financial transactions to ensure compliance with CRA regulations, resulting in error-free
- submissions for 30+ client tax filings.

Cambrian College

May 2023 - Jun 2023

Research Associate

Sudbury, Ontario

- Conducted market trend analysis and financial performance evaluations, contributing to strategic recommendations that led to a 7% increase in client revenue.
- Assessed company performance through financial ratios and variance analysis, identifying actionable insights to improve client profitability and operational efficiency.

PROJECTS

Customer Churn Prevention | SQL, Tableau, Process Mapping

Oct. 2024

· Built a churn risk model using SQL and Tableau, advising on customer retention strategies, reducing churn prediction errors by and improving customer portfolio stability.

Bank Loan Risk Assessment | SQL, Power BI

Jul 2024

• Designed a risk assessment framework using Power BI, advising on credit risk strategies, improving default prevention models, and supporting strategic lending decisions.

Financial Statement Analysis | Advanced Excel

Jun 2020

 Analyzed financial trends in revenue and cost over five years to provide actionable recommendations for profitability improvements and operational efficiency.

CERTIFICATIONS

- Certified Risk Management Professional Udemy
- Business Analytics for Decision Making Udemy
- Financial Analysis and Forecasting Udemy
- Data Analysis with SQL and Power BI Udemy

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Armageddon

Oct 2021 - Aug 2022

Member

Rivadh, Saudi Arabia

• Directed cross-functional teams to coordinate large-scale finance events, managing resource allocation, stakeholder engagement, and logistics planning.

Finance Student Association

Jul 2018 - Feb 2019

Member

Hyderabad, India

• Led student finance initiatives, collaborating with faculty and industry experts to host risk management workshops, engaging 50+ students on compliance best practices.