# ROLAND ZHAO

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# **EDUCATION**

#### **University of Toronto, Rotman Commerce**

Toronto, ON

BCom, Specialist in Finance and Economics, Minor in Computer Science & Math

Expected May 2022

Cumulative GPA: 3.91/4.0

Honors: University Alumni Scholarship, Dean's List Scholar

Coursework: Capital Market Theory, Corporate Finance, Software Design, Data Analysis & Econometrics,

Machine Learning, Algorithmic Trading

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **University of Toronto**

Toronto, ON

MAT133 Teaching Assistant

Sep 2020 - Present

- Motivate over 1200 enrolled students to attain their personal goals in the course by providing guiding assistance in course material on discussion boards or during tutorials
- Evaluate students' performance on work submissions, offering constructive feedback as comments
- Create detailed agendas to lead biweekly tutorial sessions with 30 core students

## **Banana Republic Factory Store**

Richmond, BC

Sales Associate

Aug 2017 - Nov 2017

- Collaborated with co-workers to consistently achieve weekly sales goals of \$200,000, placing our location in 1st place for province-wide sales during the summer
- Engaged with customers on the sales floor by offering assistance with merchandise, answering questions regarding general product information, and promoting ongoing discounts
- Managed purchases, returns, and other transactions in an efficient manner at the cash register

## LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

#### **Rotman Commerce Entrepreneurship Organization**

Toronto, ON

Finance Manager

Apr 2020 - Present

- Construct quarterly reports including bank and financial statements to be submitted to the university
- Devised next year's annual event budget in addition to a contingency budget for online delivery that eliminates unnecessary in-person and venue costs
- Achieved budget reduction of approximately 18% compared to last year's through enhanced cost allocation

### **Rotman Commerce Business Design Association**

Toronto, ON

Events Member

Apr 2019 - Apr 2020

- Optimized event schedules for our panel discussion and networking events to minimize delay in-between different sessions and activities
- Coordinated logistics for Royal Road University's annual case competition hosted on our campus
- Facilitated partnerships with local businesses such as Answer Tea for event catering and renowned companies such as Telus for sponsorships

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Languages: French (Fluent), Mandarin (Native)
- Skills: Python, Java, JavaScript, Node.js, HTML, CSS, R, Excel
- Certifications: Google Analytics
- **Interests:** Piano performance, eSports, speedcubing, world history