

# Serena K. Uppin

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## EDUCATION

### **Bachelor of Arts in Economics (minor in Spanish), expected June 2012**

University of California, Riverside

- **GPA: 3.9**
- Dean's List (all quarters)
- Order of Omega Honor Society – awarded to 100 students out of 4000 for academics and leadership
- Senior Thesis: "The Rise of China: The Impact of its Growth on the World Economy"

### **London School of Economics, Cambridge, UK (Junior Year Abroad)**

- Coursework: Principles of Finance, Game Theory, Industrial Economics
  - Received First Class Honors in all coursework
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## EXPERIENCE

### **Accounting Intern** – Carter, Belcourt & Atkinson, CPAs – Upland, CA

*May 2011 – August 2011*

- Researched four industries (coal, oil, construction, and lumber) to provide forecast summaries used for new business pitches
- Wrote company's college recruiting brochure distributed at career fairs statewide
- Confirmed accuracy of general accounts for several client firms

### **Patent File and Case Assistant** – Wilson, Sonsini, Goodrich & Rosati – San Diego, CA

*Summers 2009 and 2010*

- Wrote 25+ executive summaries on potential corporate clients
- Collected patents, patent applications, and articles from medical journals relating to the clients' technology
- Prepared a detailed report discussing the emergence of biotechnology and venture capital markets in China, and helped present to leadership staff
- Summarized recent case law, mostly relating to tort and strict liability, pertaining to the issue of drug re-importation from Canada

### **Research Intern** – PMeder & Company Executive Recruiters – Lake Forest, IL

*June 2008 – August 2008*

- Conducted extensive internet research to help McDonald's source a new corporate nutritionist
- Developed comprehensive company staffing lists for targeted employers in the automotive industry
- Created a prospective candidate database tracking all activity on existing searches

## ACTIVITIES/INTERESTS

- Economics Club, UCR, 2008 – Present
- Soup Kitchen Volunteer, St. Jude's Catholic Worker House, Summers 2002 – 2008
- HIV Coalition Volunteer, Summers 2002 – 2008
- Interests include travel, fly fishing, and Italian Cooking

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

- Proficient in written and conversational French