



Introduction

STG SW25 Week 1



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STG Overview

The Student Trading Group (STG) is dedicated to teaching members with practical trading knowledge and strategies. Each week, we explore a new asset class providing lecture style experience and insights to navigate financial markets.



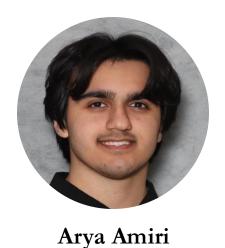
E-Board



Gavin Grabill
Co-President
Junior
Econ. & Stats.
4 Years Exp.



Dev Dhingani
Co-President
Junior
Finance
4 Years Exp.



Co-President
Junior
Comp. Sci.
4 Years Exp.



Randy Bhattu
Secretary
Junior
Comp. Sci.
4 Years Exp.



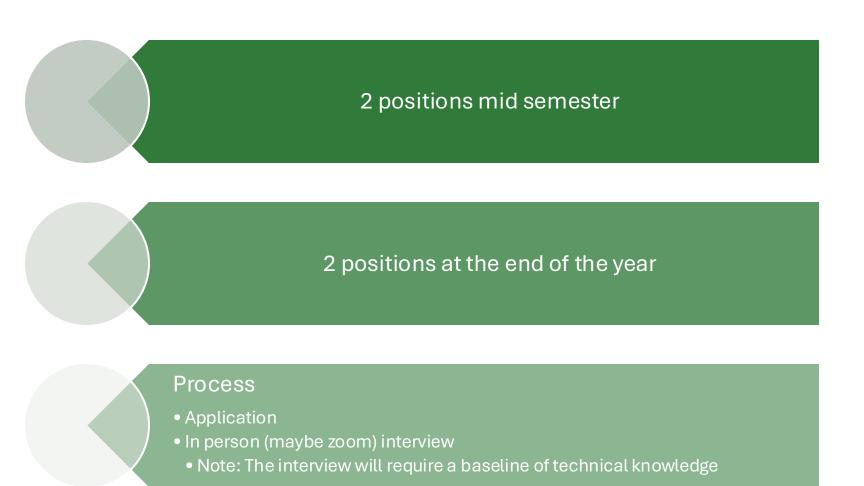
Peter Madok
Treasurer
Junior
Economics
3 Years Exp.



Aidan Biehl
Marketing
Sophomore
Finance
2 Years Exp.



New E-Board Positions





What is STG?

The Student Trading Group is a student-led organization at MSU that offers undergraduates the chance to gain real-time experience and exposure in the financial markets.

Members will be able to learn the fundamental and analytical side of the markets through an array of presentations, experience, and live market meetings.



Our Goals

- Inspire a greater level of financial literacy at MSU
- Teach a wide variety of topics related to the market ranging from long term investments to short term trades
- Provide an environment for group collaboration, learning, and sharing of ideas
- Introduce members to careers within finance and provide support and guidance in recruiting
- Gain technical skills for both personal investing and careers



Meeting Structure

- Market Update: Quick update of recent economic events and significant moves or changes within the market
- **Discussion:** Time for the group to review and discuss recent trades/investments as well as share opinions on stocks, reports, etc.
- Educational Presentation: Each week will feature a lesson on a new aspect of investing, trading, or the general market
- Recap: Summary of the presentation and how it can tie into current market events
- **Q&A:** Time to ask/answer any questions relating to the material

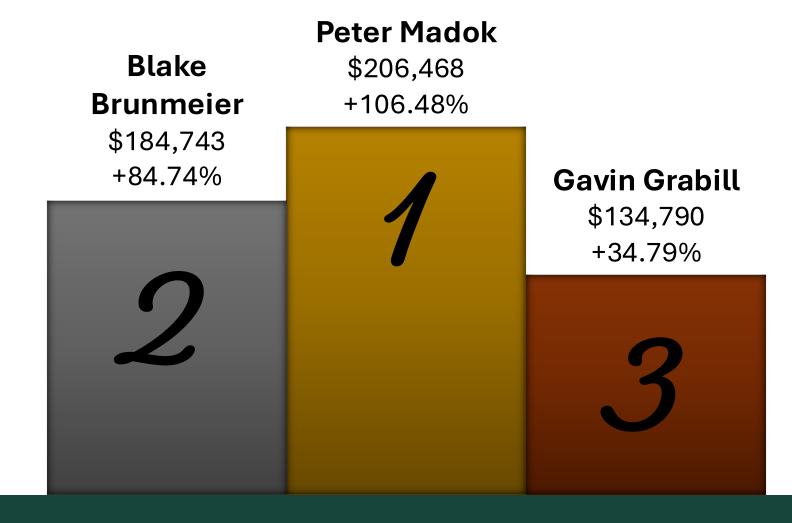


Announcements - Trading Competition

- Similar to last semester, we will be hosting a semester long simulated trading competition
- This will be a chance to showcase your skills and compete against your peers to see who can generate the most profit during the semester
- Starts 01/30, ends 04/17
- This will not require any capital on your end!



Trading Competition SS24 Results





Announcements - Trade Pitches

Pitch an asset (stock, bond, commodity...)

- Will be done in small teams (2-4) with a lead analyst from the E-Board
- Teams for asset classes including equities, commodities, FX, and fixed income/rates
- This will act as a chance to get real-world experience and reps in conducting research and communicating findings or ideas



Announcements - Trade Pitches

- Teams will be determined through applications and interviews to determine where your skills, background, and interests best fit
- Since this is meant to be done in small groups to allow for meaningful participation, we cannot guarantee a position to all who apply
- Applications will be due by 02/07, and interviews will be held the following week
- Candidates will be assessed on the following, meeting attendance/participation, experience, knowledge, and commitment



Semester Schedule

01/23 – Introduction	03/06 – No Meeting
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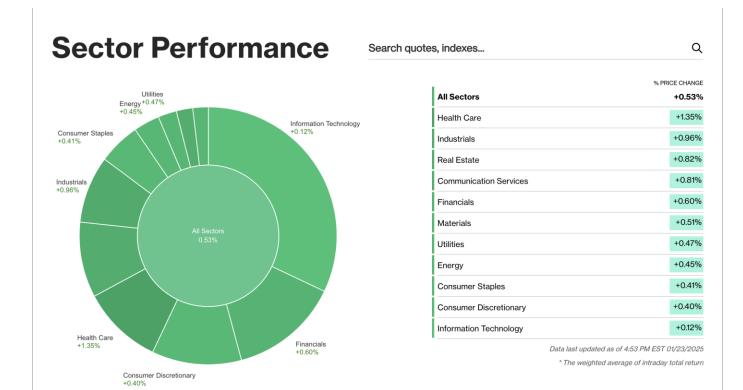


Open Discussion

- Recent Trades?
- News?
- Predictions?
- Economic Data?
- Earnings?
- Etc.



Market Update



- S&P 500 6,118.71 +0.53%
- NASDAQ 20,053.68 +0.22%
- DOW Jones 44,565.07 +0.92%
- Crude Oil 74.62 -1.09%
- Gold 2,765.00 -0.21%
- 10-Year Yield 4.64%



Market News

• Corporate:

- OpenAI announces Operator, which can perform tasks in browser autonomously
- CNN announces job cuts to 6% of workforce as it pivots its focus to streaming
- Red Bull reports record profit for 2024 though revenue growth slowed to lowest since 202

• Markets:

• CTAs cut long positions to lowest since August, aggregate positioning at two-month low

• Economy:

- Average rate on 30-year mortgage slips below 7% after climbing five straight weeks
- Catastrophe risk model shows insured losses of about \$28B from LA wildfires

• Washington:

- Trump calls on OPEC+ and Saudi Arbia to lower oil prices; demands US interest rates drop immediately
- Trump criticizes EU regulators in Davos speech for targeting Apple, google, and Meta
- Trump CIA pick John Ratcliffe confirmed by Senate as CIA Director
- Trump considering hedge fund manager Kyle Bass for position with Treasury or Defense
- Trump criticizes Bank of America, JPMorgan, alleging the banks limit business with conservatives























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