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EDUCATION

Otto-Von-Guericke University

M.Sc. Finance and Economics

Magdeburg, Germany

Class of 2026

- **Advanced Financial Analysis:** Developed and applied financial models using econometric methods to support strategic decision-making.
- **Quantitative Proficiency:** Utilized tools such as STATA, Excel, and MATLAB for statistical analysis and financial forecasting.
- **Behavioral Finance Expertise:** Analyzed market anomalies and investor behavior to inform investment strategies
- **Research and Communication:** Conducted academic research projects, delivering findings through well-structured reports and presentations.
- **International Collaboration:** Worked in multicultural teams, benefiting from partnerships with renowned research institutes.
- **Computational Finance and Financial Management** (Seminar)
 - Gained expertise in financial modeling, option pricing, and Monte Carlo simulations.
 - Developed proficiency in programming languages like Python and MATLAB to solve complex financial problems.
 - Enhanced communication skills by presenting and defending financial models and analyses
- **Artificial Intelligence in Finance** (Planned Scientific Project)
 - Intend to leverage AI techniques to analyze financial data, enhance predictive modeling, and optimize investment strategies. Explore the application of machine learning for financial forecasting and risk assessment.

University of Toronto

Bachelor of Business Administration; Specialist in Finance

Toronto, Canada

Class of 2022

WORK EXPERIENCE

Bank of Montreal

Toronto, Canada

Senior Analyst – Investment/Inter-Entity/Retail Transfers

(December 2022 – August 2024)

- Collaborating cross-functionally with internal teams such as RPM, TPA, and International Financial Data Services to ensure client requests are carried out within service level agreement requirements.
- Responsible for the oversight of over four different teams; In-Kind (External/Internal transfers), In-Cash, A\$M payments and miscellaneous transfer queue making sure SLAs are met on a weekly basis.
- Completing up to on average 50+ tickets daily with high accuracy for the wealth management division effectively streamlining back-end processing.
- Gaining knowledge of financial instruments while investigating and escalating transfer out requests for various investment accounts
- Reviewing and audited transactions processed by other teams.
- Leading meetings with multiple teams to ensure that client billing is on track and all issues are being resolved.
- Compiling essential information by month's end to detail our progress to management and influence decision-making.
- Communicating with the IFDS, BMO Nesbitt Burns, BMO Investorline and more to escalate client requests.
- Gaining proficiency in various programs including Excel, RPM, CFM, IFAST, Fundserv A\$M, Ascendis and Broadridge.

PROJECTS

- Performed a time series analysis using ARIMA and a Monte Carlo simulation of future Uranium options prices
- Analyzed whether time-series of a stock follows a Geometric Brownian Motion over a certain time period and priced an option for it on python and then compared our price to available prices online
- Imported stock data for three different stocks, calculated daily returns and market risk premium for each, performed a CAPM regression for each stock to check real excess returns when compared against an index.
- Scientific Project on applications of AI, conducting a literature review on Causal Reinforcement Learning

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Skills: Fluent in English, Urdu, and French, and basic German

Goals: CFA level 1

Computer: Proficient in Excel, PowerPoint, Word, Python, AI, R

Certifications: Bloomberg Market Concepts Certification Program

Interests: Trading stocks, Options, Foreign Currency, Current affairs, Geopolitics, Boxing, Chess