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Education

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

Masters of Engineering in Computer Science

Massachusetts Institute of Technology – GPA: 4.8/5.0

B.S. Double Major - Finance and Computer Science/Data Science, Concentration in Economics

May 2024

Expected May 2025

New Canaan High School (NCHS) - High Honors, GPA: 99.64, SAT: 1550/1600 - Math: 800, Reading/Writing: 750

June 2020

Employment / Internships

MIT Sports Lab – Masters of Engineering Thesis

Summer 2024

- Conducting impact research on the effectiveness of Guardian Caps protective padding worn over football helmets
- Interviewing MIT football coaches / staff, and players to gain insight on playing with and without Guardian Caps
- Experiments designed in order to help reduce concussions and promote football player safety at the collegiate level
- MIT Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Machine Learning Lab Assistant (Course 6.390)

Spring 2024

- Assisted faculty members by giving students checkoffs on weekly lab assignments and providing any necessary help Hosted office hours to help students work through homework problems and answer any content or conceptual questions
- Attended weekly staff meetings to discuss course logistics and help prepare / review the lab for the following week
- Blackstone Strategic Partners, Private Equity Group Summer Analyst

Summer 2023

- Developed fund models assessing current valuation using comparables in order to price prospective private equity funds
- Built various asset models projecting business performance in order to evaluate the quality of assets within funds
- Analyzed financial statements and conducted industry research relating to the valuation of underlying portfolio companies
- Worked on various deal teams throughout the summer exploring investments in LP portfolios, continuation funds, and single assets
- Attended weekly meetings with partners and VP's in order to learn about their role and efforts in developing the group
- **Teamworthy Ventures** Summer Associate

Summer 2022

- Conducted in-dept research on early stage SaaS / Fintech companies and prepared bi-weekly investment memos
- Built strong relationships with entrepreneurs in order to learn about their businesses and propose investment ideas to partners
- Worked hands on with various portfolio companies including SeatGeek, Capsule, and HuntClub
- MIT Sloan School of Management Research Assistant

Summer 2021

- Reported directly to Robert C. Pozen Senior Lecturer at MIT Sloan, and former president of Fidelity Investments 0
- 0 Analyzed business models used by fintech companies including PayPal, Square, and Apple Pay
- Compared blockchain technology platforms behind R3 Corda Enterprise (a next-gen DLT platform) and Bitcoin 0
- Researched AI backed wealth management firms such as Wealthfront and Charles Schwab Intelligent Portfolios 0
- Explored DIDI Global, Chinese VIE structures, and recent law changes imposed on public companies by the SEC 0
- Examined behavioral science techniques and financial models used by Lemonade an AI backed insurance company
- **Innovation Capital Investment Bankers** *Investment Banking Analyst*

June 2021

- Analyzed public company comparables, utilized Excel to model and compare financial statements, and conducted industry research
- Explored the online sports-betting industry and prepared presentations on investment options

Honors / Awards

- NEWMAC Academic All-Conference Award (Every Year) MIT Varsity Football
- National Merit Scholarship Finalist, National AP Scholar Award and AP Scholar with Distinction Award, National Honors Society
- National Football Foundation Award, CIAC and FCIAC Exemplary Scholar-Athlete Award for Football and Track
- 1st TEAM All FCIAC Football; Two time Football Varsity Letter recipient; Award for highest GPA on team and for tutoring teammates
- Tulane University Book Award for embodying school's motto "Not for one's self, but for one's own" one who is a true servant leader
- TEAMS National Competition (Test of Engineering, Aptitude, Mathematics, and Science) placed 2nd in CT

Extracurricular Activities / Leadership / Community Service

- MIT Varsity Football Outside Linebacker
- MIT Scholars of Finance Organization with the mission of inspiring character and integrity in future leaders of the financial industry
- MIT Real Estate Club Develop understanding of real estate through collaborative team projects and meetings with professionals
- MIT Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity Philanthropy Chair: Organize community service events and raise capital for local charity funds
- MIT Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity Public Relations Chair: Organize events with other campus groups and design fraternity clothing
- NCHS Varsity Football OLB, TE: senior year broke single game sack record (5) and single season record (14); ranked 5th in CT for sacks
- NCHS Varsity Indoor/Outdoor Track and Field Team Captain
 - Six-time Varsity Letter recipient from Indoor and Outdoor Track, earned the Unsung Hero Award
- NCHS Service League of Boys VP of Membership, received award for highest volunteer hours served

Skills / Interest

- Computer Skills: Programming (Python and JavaScript); Microsoft Office (Word/Excel/PowerPoint); CAD Design Software (Inventor)
- Music Production: Compose original pieces using Logic Pro X Software and FL Studio Software; Audio mixing and mastering
- Interests: Music Piano, guitar (self-taught); Sports skiing, snowboarding, tennis, golf and 1st Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do