

REEDA-MARIE CHRISTENE CHAVEZ

Hernando, MS 38632 | 901-359-8466 | ChristeneChavez@ymail.com | www.linkedin.com/in/christene-chavez
<https://christenechavez.github.io/index.html>

FINANCIAL & DATA ANALYST | RISK & COMPLIANCE | STRATEGY & OPERATIONS

Financial & Data Analyst | Accounting | Risk and Compliance

Analytical professional with dual degrees in Accountancy and Public Policy Leadership and extensive experience in financial analysis, data modeling, internal controls, and grant management. Skilled in leveraging Tableau, Power BI, SAP, Alteryx, and SQL to improve financial reporting, risk assessments, and operational efficiency. Recognized for strong communication, process improvement, and team leadership in academic, municipal, and corporate settings.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Internal Controls & Audit Support
- Financial Reporting & Modeling
- Data Analysis
- Tableau, Alteryx, SAP, MS Excel, Power BI
- Risk Analysis & Regulatory Compliance
- Policy Communication
- Strategy & Execution
- Business Relationships
- Documentation & Reporting

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Accountancy – University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS,

Chancellor's Honor Roll, Completed Coursework of Master of Accountancy with Data Analytics Emphasis

Bachelor of Liberal Arts, Public Policy Leadership – University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS

Chancellor's List/Dean's List, Luckyday Scholar, Trent Lott Leadership Institute

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Financial Analyst II

December 2025 – Present

Alabama Power Company, Birmingham, AL

- Supported budgeting, forecasting, and monthly variance analysis through preparation of financial reports and analysis of actuals versus budget.
- Built and maintained Excel-based financial models for income statements, capital projects, and operational initiatives.
- Partnered with internal teams to deliver financial insights, support regulatory reporting, and improve business performance.
- Assisted with internal controls testing, audit support, and ad hoc financial analysis to ensure accurate and compliant reporting.

Grant Coordinator | Financial Analyst (Municipal Finance)

July 2025 – December 2025

Town of Crenshaw Mississippi, Crenshaw, MS

- Research and analyze \$500K+ in funding opportunities, aligning proposals with municipal budgets and infrastructure priorities.
- Prepare detailed budget justifications and compliance documentation with accuracy.
- Build Excel/Power BI trackers for grant allocation and spending, improving financial transparency and reporting efficiency.
- Collaborate with city leadership to direct funding toward community development initiatives.

Graduate Assistant | Operations and Financial Analyst

June 2024 – July 2025

University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS

- Managed payroll and scheduling for a 20+ staff team, reducing payroll errors through process automation.
- Designed scheduling tools that improved coverage efficiency by 16%.
- Produced financial and operational reports on staffing costs, safety metrics, and resource allocation for senior administrators.
- Assisted with strategic budgeting and program marketing initiatives.

Young Quality Professional Panelist

March 2024 & March 2025

ASQ Collaboration on Quality in the Space and Defense Industries, Cape Canaveral, FL

- Delivered presentations on workforce recruitment, retention, and mentorship within the space and defense industry
- Collaborated with industry professionals to facilitate discussions on communication and leadership development
- Represented early-career professionals in a national forum, contributing policy and workforce insights

Risk & Compliance Accounting Internship

June 2024 – August 2024

Crowe LLP, Austin, TX

- Evaluated internal control environments and compliance processes for clients across financial services, healthcare, technology, and life sciences sectors
- Developed reports and presentations that communicated risk assessments and audit findings to senior managers and clients
- Recommended process improvements by identifying control gaps and implementing actionable solutions
- Applied financial modeling techniques and data analytics tools in support of client projects

CERTIFICATIONS

Machine Learning Master Certification | April 2025
Altair Engineering Inc.

J.P. Morgan Investment Banking VE | April 2022
JPM