

Clayton M. Schneider

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Summary of Qualifications

Critical thinker and problem solver with a passion for financial services and compassion to help others succeed in their financial lives. Energetic leader and dependable self-starter with initiative, a strong work ethic, and valuable mix of people and technology skills. Patient and engaging communicator and collaborative team contributor with experience providing outstanding client service and flexible solutions to customer service issues.

- **Critical Thinking and Problem Solving:** Demonstrated ability to analyze challenges and deliver solutions.
- **Financial Services:** Hands-on experience and training from industry leaders including Prudential Annuities.
- **Communications and Service:** Valuable experience with customers as tutor, teacher and business owner.
- **Learning:** Self-motivated life-long learner dedicated to expanding subject expertise and uplifting others.
- **Leadership:** Natural leader and recipient of the Major Stephen Reich Memorial Award for character, service, leadership and achievement.
- **Technical Skills:** Visual Basic, JavaScript, Microsoft Office Suite, web development

Education and Credentials

Bachelor of Science in Management and Engineering for Manufacturing, May 2020

UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT, Storrs, CT

- Graduated Magna Cum Laude with 3.9 GPA
- Dean's List: School of Business (Spring 2017 - Spring 2020); School of Engineering (Spring 2017 - Spring 2020)
- Innovation Quest: Top ten finalist in entrepreneurship competition, selected for venture capital mentorship.
- Senior Design: Earned 2nd place leading process improvement project and proposal for Pratt & Whitney.

Life/Accident and Health license (CT), 2021

Experience

KENNEDY WEALTH MANAGEMENT, Southbury, CT

Financial Planning Learning Program, October 2020-March 2021

Successfully completed financial planning training program in partnership with Dimensional Fund Advisors.

PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL (THE FORUM GROUP), Shelton, CT

Product Assistant, July-August, 2018

Assisted Research and Marketing teams within Annuities Investment Management in the production and review of content utilized by the Board of Trustees, financial advisors, and investors.

SIMPLY SPROUT LLC, Roxbury, CT

Owner, January 2019-March 2021

Established successful and profitable web development business venture while providing flexible customer solutions and outstanding client service.

SHEPAUG VALLEY SCHOOL, Washington, CT

Math Interventionist, November 2020-March 2021

Delivered math support services to struggling students to ensure mastery of content, and assumed full classroom teaching responsibilities as requested for classes ranging from sixth grade to twelfth grade.

CARLING TECHNOLOGIES, Plainville, CT

Manufacturing Engineering Intern, May 2019-August 2019

Developed and implemented change management best practices throughout company headquarters and led the development of three software tools integrated into daily work stream.