John Ta

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EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania | Vagelos Program in the Molecular Life Sciences   **Philadelphia, PA**
Candidate for Bachelor of Arts | Majors: Physics (business & tech concentration), Biochemistry, Biophysics   *May 2022*
- **Courses:** Valuations (Fall 2020); Micro/macroeconomics I; Managing Global Business & Financial Uncertainty
- **Test Scores:** ACT 35/36 • SAT Math II 800/800 • SAT Physics 790/800

EXPERIENCE

SVB Leerink   **New York City, NY**
Incoming Healthcare Investment Banking Summer Analyst   *May 2021*

Loft Brazil   **Remote**
Capital Strategy Intern   *Aug 2020 – Present*
- Fundraised for Series D round, developed pitch decks, and presented competitor analysis to Loft CEO

The Finance Twins LLC   **Remote**
Business Development Intern   *May 2020 – Aug 2020*
- Created original personal finance material about banking, credit cards, financial aid, and loans
- Led data analytics KPI dashboard to optimize SEO performance by reformatting landing page and review boxes
- Drove average session duration, pages per session, and pageviews increase by 19%, 6%, and 13%, respectively

University of Pennsylvania   **Philadelphia, PA**
Teaching Assistant For MATH-241 (Partial Differential Equations)   *Aug 2019 – May 2020*
- Developed innovative teaching material by creating novel YouTube channel with 1.4k+ views, running collaborative forum answering 1k+ questions, and making teaching website for 200+ students with 5k+ views
  - Spring 2020 (Rating: 3.72/4.00) – successfully transitioned to online format in midst of coronavirus
  - Fall 2019 (Rating: 3.80/4.00) – youngest and highest ever rated course TA; won teaching award
- Wrote book with Dr. Eduardo Garcia-Juarez with 100 different partial diff. equation problems for publication

Perelman School of Medicine   **Philadelphia, PA**
Research Assistant For Dr. Edward Morrisey   *Aug 2018 – Jan 2020*
- Spearheaded yearlong plan to conduct experiments, model data, run statistical analysis, and culture cells
- Presented to senior researchers showing significant differences between Tgfβr knockouts and controls ($p = 0.01$)

LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES

Common Cents Collaborative   **Philadelphia, PA**
Chairman of the Board & Founder   *Jul 2019 – Present*
- Founded the first personal finance club at Penn, NYU, JHU, & Yale, garnered 1k+ members across all schools, led team of 17 at Penn, oversaw nonprofit operations of 48 people, taught 200+ high schoolers, and raised $7.5k+ in LTM
- Held 8 events about careers, investing, credit card basics, retirement, and meal-prepping on a budget
- Built partnerships with Wharton MBA Common Cents, NFL player Brandon Copeland, Penn Registration & Financial Services, Public Social Investing, Robinhood, and Intuit to run personal finance events

Penn EduCare   **Philadelphia, PA**
Director of Finance   *May 2019 – Present*
- Launched and grew nonprofit to 22 student team creating novel graphics for COVID-19, diabetes, and surgeries
- Bridged the physicians and patients communication gap, bringing unique healthcare material for 200+ people
- Established clients, partners, and sponsors with 10 international clinics and hospitals, raising $2.5k+ in LTM

University of Pennsylvania   **Philadelphia, PA**
Head Learning Assistant For CHEM-241 (Organic Chemistry I)   *Jan 2020 – May 2020*
- Created new teaching roles in 3 courses to facilitate and organize the Q&A process for 120+ students
- Implemented cutting-edge technologies and led team of 3 to organize 1.5k+ questions and 4.5k+ follow-ups

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Technical: Fluent in Python; proficient in HTML, CSS, and Microsoft Office Suite; familiar with Java
Awards: Goldman Sachs Insight Series; Discover® Accelerator Program (1 of 25 selected out of 250+ applicants); MA State Science Fair (Fish & Richardson Patent Award/application ongoing/$12.5k); WPI Science Fair (1st overall/$1k)
Languages: Limited Working Vietnamese; Elementary Spanish
Interests: Powerlifting (B: 235lb @ bw 150lb); Soccer (LW); Football (Patriots); APALI; Crash Landing On You; GoT