Michael Cheung

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EDUCATION

The University of Chicago

Chicago, IL

Bachelor of Arts in Economics and Public Policy

Expected, June 2025

Major GPA: *3.7/4*

• Relevant Courses: Financial Accounting I, II, III; Investments; Trading: Game Theory to Finance; Corporate Finance; Principles of Microeconomics & Macroeconomics; Mathematical Methods for Economic Analysis

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

GF Securities (SEHK: 1776)

Hong Kong, China

Investment Banking Summer Analyst, Mergers and Acquisitions

August 2024 – Present

- Assisted in M&A deal flow, sourcing industry data and company financials from various sources including CapIQ, Bloomberg Terminal & Refinitiv. Participated in live middle-market deal of proposed non-core asset spin-off within consumer sports equipment company to improve shareholder returns.
- Compiled biweekly offshore and onshore M&A updates within consumer and healthcare sector. Analysed and filtered existing target deck of over 100 attractive targets, culminating in three pitch books providing advisory services pertaining to Privatization transactions.

Cushman & Wakefield (NYSE: CWK)

Hong Kong, China

Real Estate Capital Markets Summer Analyst, PRC Greater China Team

June 2024 – August 2024

- Assisted in sales cycle ranging from deal sourcing/due diligence to preparation of transaction documentation.
- Incorporated Rent Roll and Pro Forma modelling to underwrite ~2,000,000 square ft of assets in Greater China of varying investment horizons and debt covenants, culminating in 4+ client facing materials and presentations.
- Monitored various interest rate markets, compiling weekly macroeconomic and property transactional (rental and asset sales) reports, reflecting implication of findings onto pitch decks.

Kadensa Capital Hong Kong, China

Summer Analyst

July 2023 - August 2023

- Developed and implemented annual ESG reporting framework with an emphasis on Scopes 1, 2 and Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI) to Kadensa's Long Short Equities Portfolio totaling \$2bn+ AUM.
- Devised new system utilizing Excel to streamline sell-side broker review process to improve internal efficiencies and transparency, aimed to optimize broker usage and alignment of commission allocation to value-add services.

CC Capital (HK) Ltd.

Hong Kong, China

Summer Analyst

June 2021 - August 2021

- Conducted a LBO feasibility analysis incorporating sensitivity tests on a 999-bed distressed student housing development in Liverpool, UK. Exited investment with a 2.0x MOIC over 2-year investment horizon.
- Created a 2-page whitepaper supporting an investment thesis on United Kingdom's student housing market supply/demand dynamics, incorporating research on supply pipeline and leasing activity to determine pricing power and target market.

LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES

UChicago Socially Responsible Investment Group (UCSRIG)

Chicago, IL

Executive Board Member, Professional Development

September 2022 – Present

- Improved UCSRIG's sustainability-driven professional development initiative by establishing partnerships with 20+ firms to manage impact-oriented project teams consisting of 100+ members, providing ESG consulting, Impact Analysis and Valuation services.
- Revamped recruitment strategies resulting in over 100% increase in applications and engagement/participation Year over Year from cohort members during tenure.

Other Activities: Oeconomica Undergraduate Economics Research Society, campusCatalyst Nonprofit Consulting Organization, Rogers Scholars in Finance, Hong Kong Student Association, UChicago Club Water Polo Team

SKILLS & INTERESTS

- Languages: Proficient in reading, writing, and speaking English, Mandarin, and Cantonese.
- Skills: Proficient in Python, Java, RStudio, Stata, Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel.
- Interests: Basketball (Mavericks) and Soccer (Chelsea), Natural Photography, Hiking, Bodybuilding.
- Citizenship: Dual Citizenship Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and the United Kingdom.