

# Owen Tillger

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**New York University • New York, NY**

**B.A. in Politics and Computer Science • 2022**

*Game Theory • Economic Theory • Advanced Data Structures • Linear Algebra • Discrete Mathematics • Constitutional Law & Policy*

## Work Experience

**OTTR • Freelance/Self-Funded, Chief Architect**

**2023 – Present**

A think tank for cutting-edge software and financial technologies.

- Spearheaded development of proprietary quantitative trading strategies (ATLAS) for the crypto and equities markets.
- Designed and deployed full-stack applications with end-to-end scalability across a range of technologies.
  - Clickroot, Sandbox Research, Astrala, and more.
- Building TruthGuard, a decentralized news verification protocol meant to introduce abstracted information whilst removing biases.
- Developed multi-asset volatility strategies using custom-built smart contracts and real-time sentiment ingestion pipelines.
- Ran empirical studies on liquidity slippage and game-theoretic arbitrage in synthetic derivatives markets.
- Drafted internal research papers bridging token economics with political theory.

**SmartStructure Investment Models – Brookhaven, PA • Head of Product & Growth Strategy**

**Sep 2024 – Jul 2025**

Fintech firm reimagining portfolio design through bespoke algorithmic modeling.

- Orchestrated the full-stack development and UX architecture of the firm's proprietary investment simulator and portfolio optimizer.
- Directed a rebranding and digital expansion strategy, resulting in a +1200% in site engagement and conversions.
- Consulted on client portfolios and translated complex financial outcomes into digestible copy and design across the user funnel.

**Apple, Inc. – New York, NY • Lead Product Specialist**

**Sep 2019 – Aug 2020**

- Led high-impact, high-volume retail operations at the world's most frequented Apple Store, Fifth Avenue, Manhattan.
- Provided concierge-level sales to high-profile individuals including David Blaine and Shaquille O'Neal.
- Consistently ranked top 1% for AppleCare+ sales (#1 internal success metric).

**Wharton Advisors – Plymouth Meeting, PA • Analyst, Tech & Benefits Division**

**May 2017 – Sep 2017**

- Developed backend optimization scripts and data-cleaning pipelines for insurance and retirement analytics.
- Co-designed an algorithmic auditing system that reduced processing time for benefits cases by over 40%.
- Received early commendation for precision debugging across legacy Excel-to-SQL bridges.

## Leadership Experience

**Pennsylvania Free Enterprise Week – Erie, PA • Group Strategist & Executive Lead**

- Led cross-functional student team to highest simulated stock performance across 300+ peer companies.
- Integrated advanced pricing models and behavioral economics frameworks into pitch and marketing campaigns.
- Selected by advisors for peer mentorship and leadership distinction award.

**Varsity Golf Captain – Doylestown, PA • Central Bucks West**

- Rebuilt morale and strategic cohesion following major team roster losses, leading to a winning season.
- Coordinated with local business sponsors and alumni to secure additional training opportunities and funding.

**YMCA – Doylestown, PA • Program Director & Community Builder**

- Tripled client intake (75 → 200) by engineering partnerships with local nonprofits and religious groups.
- Designed and led leadership training programs for junior mentors, emphasizing interpersonal communication and civic values.

**Personal Endeavors • Technical Lead, Research & Development Initiatives**

- Assembled and directed agile teams of engineers, designers, and researchers to pursue high-conviction personal projects.
- Overseeing all phases of product lifecycles—from ideation and prototyping to deployment and optimization.
- Fostered a collaborative research culture that emphasizes rigor, experimentation, and cross-disciplinary dialogue.

## Additional Information

**Technical Languages & Tools:** Solidity • JavaScript, TypeScript, Python, Node.js, Next.js, React, SQL, MongoDB, GA4, Adobe Platforms

**Spoken Languages:** English (*Fluent*), Mandarin Chinese (*Conversational*), French (*Conversational*)

**Interests & Disciplines:** Debate, Politics & Geopolitics, Philosophy, Finance, Computing, Writing, Literature, Music, History, Sports