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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Ernst & Young - Senior Consultant; New York City (U.S) and Shanghai (CN) *July 2014 – June 2016*

- Finance transformation and operational restructuring for “Big Four” global advertising company
 - Performed in-depth FTE analysis and identified lack of an operations function as area of improvement; implementation of operations group decreased administrative hours by 10%, resulting in US\$ 0.5M in cost-savings
 - Shortened job management lifecycle by an average of 50 days, improved working capital position by 7% for Q4, and increased level of compliance by creating and integrating new Cash Advance, SharePoint, and AMEX processes
- Supply chain analytics and process improvement for multinational confectionery, food and beverage conglomerate
 - Owned work stream in network optimization, transportation cost modelling, and safety stock calculation of a planned manufacturing plant; findings resulted in total cost savings of US\$ 11M and projected savings of US\$ 3.5M over two years
 - Performed assessment of assortment and distribution of products originating from new manufacturing plant and diagnosed a high level of SKU complexity as an operational cost driver

KPMG – Summer Associate (Consultant); Hong Kong *June 2013 – August 2013*

- Helped allocate 580,000USD among application fees, initial capital investment, and business continuity plan for Swiss financial services client. Client successfully opened one Local Representative Branch (LRO) in summer of 2013 with a projection of two more in 2014
- Placed first in Hong Kong Consulting Competition (out of 8 finalist teams); analyzed and presented on a Harvard Business Review Case Study concerning a high-growth international travel agency

Global Payments – Treasury Analyst; Atlanta, GA *April 2013 – May 2013*

- Analyzed cost cutting strategies with Director of Treasury and discarded banks with irregular or relatively high banking fees; analysis saved an annual amount of 150,000 USD after ending partnerships with three banks in the European region
- Consolidated Excel functions into a single macro for accurate forecasting of bank fees; macro pulled from historical data, factored in projected variance, and separated output into individual worksheets

EDUCATION

Emory University, Goizueta Business School | Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) | Atlanta, GA | May 2014
Concentrations: Finance, Strategy & Management Consulting; Minor in Economics | GPA: 3.8 / 4.0

- Emory Admissions Fellow; assisted Dean of Admissions with student applications and Emory’s marketing strategy in the roll out of the university’s new website

SKILLS & INTERESTS

Interests: Semantics, TED Talks, Udemy, Behavioral Economics, Hiking, Lacrosse, Wrestling, Badminton

Languages: Native English and Mandarin speaker; Fluent in Cantonese Chinese

Technical: SQL, Google Ads & Analytics Certified