ROBERT GAMA

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EDUCATION

Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, CA

May 2028

Bachelor of Arts, Economics-Accounting

- **GPA:** 3.6/4.0
- Relevant Coursework: Intermediate Accounting, Economic Statistics, Organizational Psychology

EXPERIENCE

Claremont McKenna College Appel Writing Scholars, Asia and Western United States February 2025 - Present Appel Fellow

- Awarded selective fellowship (10% admit) to travel and research waste systems in Asia and the U.S.
- Analyzed policy, markets, and accessibility through field research and community interviews
- Produced a journal and article blending policy and economic analysis with practical sustainability strategies

Cariño Botánica, Inland Empire, California

October 2021 - Present

Co-Owner

- Founded and manage a zero-waste refillery with 200+ sustainable, refillable, and package-free products.
- Serve 4,000+ lifetime customers in underrepresented communities, generating \$75,000+ in revenue
- Led 10 total employees across roles from retail to accounting, increasing total business efficiency by 25%+

Leyva Financial, Covina, California

July 2023 - August 2024

Administrative, Technology, and Marketing Assistant

- Streamlined 90+ client and contract files, creating an intuitive system that boosted agent efficiency by 20%+
- Continually supported 7+ insurance agents and handled 25+ client inquiries to ensure smooth operations
- Designed marketing materials that connected 100+ low-income Hispanic families with life insurance services

Ride Detail, Los Angeles County, California

June 2020 - June 2022

Owner and Founder

- Launched and operated a mobile auto detailing business, serving 20+ clients across Los Angeles County
- Built pricing and scheduling systems that increased client return rate by 40%
- Managed marketing, outreach, service delivery, and finances, generating \$5,000+ in revenue

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Scholars of Finance, Claremont, California

September 2024 - Present

Scholar

- Selected for inaugural CMC chapter (10% admit) in a network of 3,800+ students across 60+ universities
- Participate in values-based leadership training, mentorship, and programming on ethics in finance
- Support organizational growth through programming, and chapter foundations

CMC Dean of Students Office, Claremont and San Dimas, California

August 2025 - Present

Orientation Leader and Mentor (First Year Guide Core)

- Selected as 1 of 5 Core leaders to plan FYG training for 60+ First Year Guides (FYGs)
- Co-led 20 first-years with 3 co-FYGs, organizing 30+ bonding activities and managing orientation logistics
- Mentored 20 students during Welcome Orientation Adventures (WOA) and supported first-year transition

Mariachi Serrano de Claremont, Claremont, California

November 2024 - Present

Finance Officer and Member

- Restarted Mariachi Serrano after 9-year pause, securing funding and rebuilding membership across the 7Cs
- Manage a \$2,000 annual budget for instructor payments, instruments, operation, and events
- Plan cultural outreach through rehearsals, meals, serenades, campus performances, and an annual concert

INTERESTS AND SKILLS

- Technical: Google Workspace, Excel, PowerPoint, Al Tools, Canva, Photoshop, Square
- Languages: English (AmE.) native proficiency, Spanish (Lat. Am.) native proficiency
- Interests: Bouldering, yoga, zero-waste, landscaping, functional pottery, landscape oil painting