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EDUCATION

Duke University - The Fuqua School of Business

Durham, NC

M.S. in Management Studies

May 2024 | GPA: 3.488

Relevant Coursework: Financial Analysis, Corporate Finance, Capital Markets, Quantitative Business Analysis, Modeling and Decision Analysis, Business Economics, Cost and Managerial Accounting, Market Research, Financial Accounting, Strategy

Duke University

Durham, NC

B.S. in Computer Science, Minor in Japanese Literature

May 2023 | GPA: 3.364

Relevant Coursework: Data Structures and Algorithms, Data Science, Multivariable Calculus, AI, Cyber Policy, Computer Security

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

La Espiga de Oro Bakery

Chicago, IL

Website Developer Intern

March 2024 – May 2024

- Developed a dynamic website prototype using HTML, CSS, and JavaScript, aligning design with brand identity.
- Crafted an intuitive user interface to enhance user experience, projecting a 20% increase of in-store foot traffic.
- Collaborated with bakery staff to ensure the website met business objectives, delivering accurate and engaging content.

Amogy

Durham, NC

Student Consultant – Fuqua Client Consulting Practicum (FCCP)

January 2024 – March 2024

- Developed a quantitative framework integrating ESG metrics and economic indicators to identify high-potential markets.
- Analyzed market data across 10 countries, using criteria like industry potential, economic factors, and public perception.
- Identified top 3 second-mover markets for expansion, projecting 20% market share growth over 15 years.

COURSE PROJECTS

Full-Scale Valuation of Keurig Dr. Pepper

Durham, NC

ACCOUNTG 512F: Financial Analysis

April 2024

- Developed a detailed financial model and conducted a comprehensive valuation analysis, forecasting income statements, balance sheets, and cash flows to determine the intrinsic value of Keurig Dr. Pepper.
- Performed comparative analysis and financial ratio analysis to evaluate the company's performance relative to industry peers, identifying key drivers of value and areas for financial improvement.

Grupa Nogueira Case

Durham, NC

DECISION 517F: Modeling and Decision Analysis

April 2024

- Developed an optimization model using Excel's Solver add-in to recommend production plans, optimizing resource allocation and distribution logistics to maximize profitability.
- Conducted sensitivity analysis to evaluate the impact of various strategic decisions, providing recommendations that projected significant profitability improvements.

Grosse Pointe Associates and the 'Microvan' Case

Durham, NC

MARKETNG 551F: Market Research

February 2024

- Conducted market segmentation analysis using IBM SPSS software, including factor analysis and cluster analysis, to identify key target segments and recommend market positioning.
- Utilized regression and crosstabs analysis with IBM SPSS to evaluate the relationship between consumer preferences and demographic variables, providing insights into promising market segments.

Highland Park Wood Case

Durham, NC

DECISION 516F: Quantitative Business Analysis

August 2023

- Developed regression models using the Excel add-in FSB Stats to forecast prices, achieving high prediction accuracy and providing actionable insights for cost reduction.
- Conducted cost-benefit analysis to optimize purchasing strategy, recommending solutions that reduced costs and maximize profitability.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND LEADERSHIP

Men's Cross Country and Track Team

Durham, NC

Varsity Member

August 2019 – May 2024

- Awarded ACC Freshman of the Year (2019) and selected for All-ACC Academic Team (2019, 2021, 2022, 2023) for outstanding athletic and academic performance.
- Successfully balanced 35 hours of rigorous training per week with a full academic schedule, demonstrating strong organizational and time management skills.
- Collaborated with team members to develop strategies and achieve collective goals, contributing to the team's overall success and cohesion.
- Demonstrated resilience and dedication by consistently training and competing at a high level, overcoming challenges and setting personal records.

TECHNICAL SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Languages: Spanish (Proficient), Japanese (Intermediate)

Programming and Tools: Python, Excel, SQL, Git, IBM SPSS, R, MATLAB, C++, Java

Analytical Skills: Data Analysis, Quantitative Analysis, Financial Analysis, Statistical Analysis, Regression Analysis, Quantitative Modeling, Financial Modeling, Optimization Models, Risk Management, Market Research

Interests: Data Analytics, Financial Markets, Algorithmic Trading, AI, Business Strategy, Quantitative Research, Self-development, Lifelong learning, Corporate culture, Business Podcasts, Outdoors, Socializing, Medium Roast Coffee, Harvard Business Review, YouTube