#### SIDDHARTH SHRIMAL

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#### **EDUCATION**

B.Sc (Hons) in Economics and Finance, Minor in Entrepreneurial Leadership and Strategy	Ashoka University		2026	3.81/4 CGPA
CLASS XII	National Public School	CBSE	2022	97.4 %
CLASS X	National Public School HSR	CBSE	2020	95.2 %

#### SCHOLASTIC AWARDS

Dean's List (4x)- (i) Monsoon 2022, (ii) Monsoon 2023, (iii) Spring 2024, (iii) Monsoon 2024, (iv) Spring 2025 | Ashoka University Highest academic honour amongst 3000+ students. Consistently held a GPA over 3.7 out of 4 (92.5%)

May 2025

#### INTERNSHIPS EXPERIENCE

#### AXIS CAPITAL LTD | Mergers and Acquisition Team | Investment Banking Intern

Jun 2025 - Aug 2025

- Conducted comprehensive analysis of 8 enterprise tech sub-sectors, delivering actionable insights and investment pipeline intelligence for mergers/acquisitions scouting
- Researched 8 enterprise tech sub-sectors, analyzing size, growth drivers, and acquirers/targets, creating the firm's main Tech M&A handbook to India
- Solely responsible for building a M&A tracker of 200+ companies, capturing stage, valuation multiples, fundraising, and deal activity to easily identify clients
- Recommended 6-7 immediate acquisition targets by finding opportunities in sectors and recent transactions- now adopted as firm's main reference guide

INDIA ALTERNATIVES | Top Performing PE (Rs 2000cr portfolio; 4.5x return); 1 selected out of 200+ applicants | Private Equity Intern

- Contributed to private equity evaluation by shaping entry strategies in climate-tech, delivering sector theses and a quantified 600cr investment opportunity pipeline Sourced 100+ companies across 10+ climate-tech sub-sectors, sizing niche markets and curating an investment thesis and allocation for firm's subsequent fund
- Identified Rs 600cr pipeline for the 3<sup>rd</sup> fund by mapping mid-market opportunities sized Rs 80–120cr, analyzing scalability potential over a 10–12 year horizon
- Led 10+ calls with industry veterans, funds, consulting companies such as Nomura, Bain, Blume, KPMG, NITI Aayog to source companies and opportunities

## ISAAC CENTRE FOR PUBLIC POLICY | India's Leading Public Policy Think Tank | Research Associate

- Produced seasonal adjustment techniques for Ministry of Statistics- a statistical method to better understand underlying trends and consulted RBI on rent methodology Created seasonal adjustment methods for inflation (CPI) and industry output (IIP)- a statistical method followed by major economies lacking in indian indicators
- Collaborated with experts from Johns Hopkins University to recommend seasonal adjustment to ministry of statistics(MoSPI) for official reporting
- Consulted RBI on calculation of house rent indices and improved accuracy of methodology which has now been implemented in the official calculation

#### HELIOS CAPITAL | India Focused Asset Management and MF (Rs 8000cr + AUM) | Investment Intern

Delivered equity research on the Indian paints industry, producing a double-stage DCF and valuation call on Asian Paints (APNT) for portfolio decision-making

- Performed fundamental analysis on 10+ paints companies, deep-diving into Asian Paints' 42% market share, distribution moat, and premiumisation strategy
- Reviewed 20+ sell-side reports (Anand Rathi, HDFC Sec, JM Fin, ICICI Sec) to benchmark growth, margins to arrive at assumptions for valuation
- Built double-stage DCF on Asian Paints, projecting revenue CAGR of 9% and EBITDA CAGR of 14%, leading to an overvalued rating versus peers

#### BUILD3 | Government Recognised Social Impact Incubator | Venture Capital Intern

Jun 2023 - Aug 2023

Contributed to end-to-end operations by supporting Build3's cohort-based model and program design, enabling structured support for 50+ early-stage entrepreneurs Helped design and run a founder-creator program, scaling participation from 5 to 50+ entrepreneurs by managing logistics and processes for Build3.

Assisted in shifting to a cohort-based model, improving startup selection, engagement, and portfolio support within Build3's investment approach

# PROJECTS AND RESEARCH

#### Seniors Honors Thesis on India's Exchange Rate - Ashoka University

Aug 2025 - Present

- Advised by Dr. Prachi Mishra (ex-Goldman Sachs Chief Economist, IMF Chief Advisor) and Dr. Antonio Spilimbergo (IMF Deputy Director)
- Selected as 10 of 300 students (top 3%) to research India's exchange rate dynamics and reserve adequacy, applying econometric models (PPP, BEER/FEER)

## DCF Automator Tool- Economics Course Work - 1 of 3 UG students in a Master's Level Course

Jan 2025 - May 2025

- Built Python DCF automation tool integrating SEC filings, financial APIs, and sentiment analysis to generate intrinsic valuations. Website Ran automated valuations on multiple stocks, generating results and charts to make investment analysis faster and easier. Github

# Navigating India's Credit Evolution | Isaac Centre for Public Policy (1 out of 70+ submissions) - Journal

Jan 2025 - Present

Examined how Indias Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code reshaped lending, shifting credit from industry toward NBFCs and consumers, and proposed reforms.Link

# POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

## Teaching Assistant- Microsoft Excel Course | Ashoka University (2 out of 100+ applicants) • Taught and supported 100+ students in coursework under Ashish Mathur, India's first MS Excel advisor, guiding problem-solving and applied data analysis

Jan 2025 - Jun 2025

Head of Events | Social Impact Club

Feb 2023 - Present

- Organized flagship bootcamp with 150+ attendees, featuring Pramath Raj Sinha, directors at NITI Aayog to strengthen student exposure to social impact careers
- Successfully placed 25 students in social impact roles by facilitating an internship programme and building partnerships with public-sector organisations

#### School House Captain | National Public School HSR

Jun 2020 - Mar 2021

• Selected House Captain, leading ~500 students; organized inter-house and school-wide events, managing teams and logistics across competitions and activities

#### Venture Capital Scout (Rs 100 Cr Fund Size) | WEH Ventures

Jun 2023 - Dec 2023

- · Engaged founders of Airbound, BreatheESG, and RockClimber during pitch calls, conducting diligence and evaluating startup positioning for investment review
- · Conducted research on India's space-tech industry, presenting sector insights to support investment evaluation within WEH Ventures' early-stage fund

## **COMPETITIONS**

May 2024 **PolicyGPT** 

Analyzed 4 datasets in Stata on state-level education policies; led team to Runners-up finish among 80+ competitors. SRCC Case Cade

Mar 2024

Won 1st place in SRCC's flagship finance event (2000+ participants) through quiz rounds and a strategic corporate decision-making case. SRCC M&A Conquest

Mar 2024

Took 1st place in M&A simulation (2000+ participants), covering hostile takeovers, synergy assessment, and acquisition strategy Wharton Investment Competition

May 2020

Semi-finalist (APAC, 1000+ teams, 35 countries); designed a quantitative portfolio addressing global risk, diversification, and volatility.

## EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Baskethall Jan 2017 - Feb 2022

• Represented Karnataka in U-16 Jr NBA Nationals, selected from 500+ students; played U-16 and U-18 state championships, vice-captained team to runners-up