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SUMMARY

Financial Analyst with 3+ years of experience across budgeting, forecasting, risk management, corporate finance, and structured financing. Adept at translating complex financial data into actionable insights that drive performance improvement and inform strategic decision-making. Experienced in financial modeling, time series forecasting, and variance analysis, with a proven track record of optimizing cash flow and enhancing forecast accuracy. Proficient in HFM, SmartView, and ERP systems, with a solid understanding of GAAP standards. Strong communicator with a collaborative approach and the ability to influence cross-functional teams through clear, data-driven insights.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Programming Language & Scripting Tools:** Python, R, SQL, VBA
- **Data Visualization & Reporting:** Power BI, Tableau, Hyperion Financial Management (HFM), SmartView
- **Financial Tools:** Excel (VLOOKUP, PivotTables, Advanced Formulas), Financial Modeling, Budgeting, Forecasting, Credit Risk Modeling, Financial Statement Analysis, Cost Analysis, Variance Analysis, Risk Management Models
- **Accounting & ERP Systems:** SAP BPC, Oracle Financials, NetSuite, Smartsheet, QuickBooks
- **Financial & Statistical Methodologies:** Financial Forecasting, Scenario & Sensitivity Analysis, Portfolio Risk Management, Financial Risk Analysis, Revenue & Profitability Analysis, Cash Flow & Liquidity Management, Business Case & ROI Analysis
- **Soft Skills:** Cross-Functional Collaboration, Strategic and Financial Decision-Making, Analytical Thinking and Problem Solving
- **Optimization & Value Creation:** Cost Optimization, Capital Allocation, Working Capital Improvements, and Operational Efficiency initiatives

EXPERIENCE

Hartford Financial Service Group

Jan 2025 to Current

Financial Analyst

- Spearheaded end-to-end SAP BPC Planning and BEx Reporting implementation, boosting data accessibility by 20% and accelerating cross-functional planning.
- Refined HFM rule logic with Visual Basic and Excel, enhancing report accuracy and shortening compliance timelines.
- Strengthened forecasting by mitigating P&L risks and building Excel-based scenario models, improving forecast accuracy by 10% and expediting budget iterations.
- Automated large-scale financial analysis with Python (Pandas, NumPy), cutting manual reporting by 15% and driving faster decision-making.
- Designed Tableau dashboards consolidating financial KPIs, improving data visibility and increasing reporting efficiency by 20%.
- Managed enterprise-wide budgeting and cash flow modeling in Excel, reducing cash reserve shortfalls by 15% through improved allocation.
- Ensured reporting integrity across NetSuite and Smartsheet, minimizing reconciliation issues and strengthening finance-operations integration.
- Optimized Oracle SQL queries for financial reporting, reducing generation time by 30% and improving ad hoc analysis responsiveness.

Capri Global

Jan 2021 to Jul 2023

Financial Analyst

- Automated data validation and reconciliation workflows using Python, boosting reporting accuracy and cutting 10+ hours of manual work weekly.
- Developed dynamic financial models for budgeting and forecasting, improving decision-making and raising forecast reliability by 10%.
- Designed interactive Power BI dashboards to track loan portfolio performance, increasing stakeholder visibility and reporting efficiency by 20%.
- Implemented an Excel-based reporting system across multiple business units, reducing monthly turnaround by 30% and standardizing outputs.
- Built advanced credit risk assessment models, improving client evaluation accuracy and driving a 15% gain in loan approval quality.
- Performed in-depth campaign performance analysis using Excel tools (PivotTables, VLOOKUP), eliminating low-yield segments and raising ROI by 20%.
- Delivered monthly and quarterly financial reports to senior leadership, enabling informed decisions on lending, investment, and cost control.
- Led cost and revenue variance analysis, uncovering inefficiencies that enabled a 12% realignment of underutilized budgets.

EDUCATION

- **Master of Science in Computer Science**, Wichita State University, Wichita, KS
- **Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science**, Veltech University, Chennai, India