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SUMMARY

Financial Analyst with **5+ years of experience** in corporate finance, specializing in **DCF, three-statement modeling, variance analysis, scenario planning, and valuation**. Built driver-based forecasting models in **Excel and Python**, improving quarterly forecast accuracy by **12%** and shortening close cycles by **30%**. Automated SQL-based variance reports and Power BI dashboards, enabling real-time tracking of key financial metrics across business units. Supported capital allocation decisions by identifying **\$4M+ in expense optimization opportunities** through sensitivity and trend analysis.

EXPERIENCE

CARDINAL HEALTH

Jan 2024 – Current

Financial Analyst - Financial Planning & Strategic Capital Optimization

- Built **driver-based P&L forecasting models in Excel and Python** using prescription demand and distribution costs; improved forecast accuracy by 12% and identified \$4.2M in cost-saving opportunities.
- Conducted **variance analysis on specialty drug budgets across 8 business units** by pulling SAP general ledger data into Power BI; identified consistent overspending in oncology therapies and worked with finance leads to reduce variance 9%.
- Partnered with supply chain to **evaluate inventory carrying costs in SQL**, comparing reorder cycles with actual utilization rates; findings released \$3.1M in tied-up working capital and informed new stocking policies for slow-moving drugs.
- Designed **contract scenario models in Excel** to simulate rebate structures with multiple distributors; demonstrated that a tiered rebate model could add \$2.6M to annual gross margin, influencing negotiation strategy with payers.
- Built a **DCF model to evaluate long-term ROI** on specialty drug distribution investments; results influenced capital allocation decisions worth \$25M across regional operations.
- Delivered monthly **cash flow and CapEx/OpEx reporting packages** combining Power BI dashboards and variance commentary, giving executives real-time insight into operating margin shifts.

Infinite Infolab

Sep 2018 - Jul 2022

Financial Planner/Analyst - Cash Flow Forecasting and Investment Planning Models for Capital Allocation

- Managed **DCF and sensitivity models in Excel with VBA automation**, streamlining repetitive calculations and enabling faster valuation of new investment proposals, which improved decision-making speed by **20%** for senior management.
- Drove **quarterly P&L forecasting and variance analysis** using **SQL + Excel**, extracting transaction-level data, reconciling with GL entries, and surfacing **\$3M in cost deviations**, leading to targeted corrective actions across business units.
- Facilitated the **annual budgeting cycle and headcount planning**, consolidating inputs from **5 departments** through linked Excel templates and validation checks, reducing manual reconciliation errors by **15%** and improving budget reliability.
- Designed **driver-based forecasting models** connected to revenue growth, CapEx rollouts, and OpEx assumptions, with logic built in Excel formulas and lookup tables, which improved forecast accuracy by **12% year-over-year**.
- Maintained **cash flow and liquidity dashboards in Excel (pivot tables, macros, conditional formatting)**, tracking receivables, payables, and short-term investments, providing executives with real-time visibility into funding needs.
- Produced **monthly variance and trend analysis reports** using **Excel Power Query + Power Pivot**, consolidating multi-entity data into dashboards, which helped leadership monitor KPIs, cut non-essential spend, and improve EBITDA margins **6%**.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Financial Modeling & Valuation: Discounted Cash Flow (DCF), Leveraged Buyout (LBO), Three-Statement Models (IS/BS/CF), Comparable Company & Precedent Transaction Analysis, Sensitivity & Scenario Modeling, Monte Carlo Simulation

Forecasting & Budgeting: Driver-based forecasting, Long-range planning (LRP), Annual Operating Plan (AOP), Rolling Forecasts, Variance & Trend Analysis, Zero-based budgeting, Cost allocation models

Corporate Finance & Strategy: Capital Budgeting (NPV, IRR, Payback), Weighted Average Cost of Capital (WACC), Capital Structure Optimization, Working Capital Management, Profitability & Margin Analysis, M&A financial due diligence, Investment appraisal

Financial Reporting & Compliance: Management & Board Reporting, GAAP & IFRS Standards, SEC/10-K/10-Q exposure, SOX controls, Audit Support, Internal Controls over Financial Reporting (ICFR), Regulatory stress testing

Data Analysis & Visualization: Advanced Excel (Pivot Tables, Macros, Solver), SQL (data extraction & analysis), Python (pandas, NumPy, statsmodels), Power BI/Tableau dashboards, Data reconciliation & variance bridges, KPI/KRI reporting

CERTIFICATION: The Complete Data Structures and Algorithms Course in Python | The Complete SQL Bootcamp 2022

EDUCATION

Binghamton University, Binghamton, New York

Master of Science in Computer Science

May - 2024