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EDUCATION

The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania | Philadelphia, PA Expected Graduation: May 2028
B.S. in Economics (**Concentrations:** Finance & AI) and **Minors** in Engineering Entrepreneurship & Design; **GPA:** 3.8
Involvements: Wharton Undergraduate Finance Club, Wharton Retail Club, BlackGen Capital, Venture Lab, The Walk Mag

Dublin Jerome High School | Dublin, OH August 2020 – May 2024
Class Rank: Valedictorian; **GPA:** 4.64/4.00; **ACT:** 36/36
Honors: Coca-Cola Scholar; US Dept. of Education Presidential Scholar Semifinalist; AP Scholar with Distinction

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Investure | *Incoming 2026 Summer Investment Analyst*, Charlottesville, VA June 2026 – August 2026

- \$19B AUM OCIO

Vermillion Rock Advisors | *Investment Banking Summer Analyst*, St. George, UT May 2025 – August 2025

- Identified and analyzed 400+ companies across manufacturing, healthcare, and aerospace verticals based on private equity group criteria, including financial performance and growth potential, to develop targeted buyer lists
- Led comprehensive market research and buyer-side analysis on high-growth niche sectors, evaluating valuation multiples, comparable deals, and M&A trends to identify sectors with the most attractive valuations
- Conducted DCF modeling on active deals to support investment decision-making and deal structuring

BrainFood | *Website and Product Design Strategy Analyst*, Philadelphia, PA May 2025 – September 2025

- Support website strategy and product design efforts by collaborating with graphic designers to update product label and refresh Amazon and Shopify content 3x/week to align with CPG retail trends and enhance SEO

The Jack Fellowship | *Venture Fellow*, Miami, FL May 2025 – August 2025

- Analyze historical pitch decks to identify key patterns behind successful investments; refine sourcing strategy across fashion tech and AI verticals to surface high-potential opportunities, supporting angel investor Jack Einhorn
- Undergo AI training to develop tools for lean venture building; support launch of new startups by incorporating AI tools that reduce launch/operating time and manpower to market

EXTRACURRICULAR EXPERIENCE

Wharton 1010 Course, McNulty Leadership Program | *Teacher Assistant*, Philadelphia, PA May 2025 – Present

- Mentor 20 first-year Wharton students and lead 3 project teams in a real-world client innovation challenge, providing academic, professional, and project guidance as part of the TA team shaping each incoming Wharton class

Wharton Women | *Annual Dinner Logistics Head*, Philadelphia, PA September 2024 – Present

- Organize Wharton Women's flagship annual dinner for 160 students and 10+ sponsor firms, raising \$40K+ annually, coordinate venue logistics, and host alumni speakers (prev. CEO of Revlon and Co-Founder of Moelis)

Moso Capital | *Investment Analyst*, Philadelphia, PA September 2024 – Present

- Work with Bain Capital Ventures to source ~20 startups and hold ~4 founder calls weekly, author primers on the retail industry with a focus on fashion tech investments; previously worked with Ripple Ventures and Avalanche VC

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

“U.S. Economic History: Analyzing US History Through an Economic Lens” | *Author & Designer* Published Sept 2023

- Researched 40+ hours on U.S. economic development and policy shifts; authored a 20-page book analyzing fiscal impacts on U.S. growth; managed full editing, publication, and distribution on Amazon across 50+ countries

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Skills: Microsoft Office Suite, Financial Modeling, Pitchbook, Python, R, MATLAB, Arduino

Languages: English (Fluent), Telugu (Fluent), Spanish (Business Proficiency)

Interests: Karate (Black-Belt), Fashion Design, Event Planning, Cooking, Adventure Sports, Pilates, Midcentury Italian Art