

Dear Recruiting Department,

I am a second year Master's student in Banking and Asset Management with a strong passion for Finance and in particular for Investment Banking. I have recently concluded a six months internship in Advisory and Consulting at Deloitte Luxembourg within the Strategy and Corporate Finance department. This experience gave me exposure to valuable missions and initiatives focused on the banking and financial services industry. The will to be involved in a result driven career and to work with global clients prompted me to apply for the Credit Suisse Investment Banking Off-cycle programs: Investment Banking Department (Milan) and Equities – Derivatives (London)

The Specialized Master's I am attending is providing me with precise knowledge of the key principles of financial markets and optimization procedures necessary to master the use of financial instruments. My internship at Deloitte has allowed me to improve my analytical and presentations skills and my ability to work long hours under time constraints. During my internship I have been involved in a broad range of activities such as realization of service proposals, preparation of clients presentations and drafting of articles and I have been appointed to four different client's projects. At the end of internship I received a full-time Analyst offer to start on September 2016.

The reason I am passionate of investment banking and I want to pursue a career in this field is related to the result driven approach of the industry and, as Credit Suisse CEO Tidjane Thiam recently said, its cornerstone role in the deals and broadly in the world of business. On the other hand my interest in derivatives started during my financial derivatives classes in which I developed an understanding of futures and options and their application to corporate strategy and risk management. My experience in consulting has developed in me a broad range of skills but did not offer the unique exposure to financial markets that investment banking can provide. I have a relevant number of friends working in the industry and I am aware of the pressure and the long hours that the activity involves. Passion for the industry and the values of sacrifice and dedication learned during my professional basketball career will help me to manage these elements professionally.

I am applying for Credit Suisse because it is the place where I could actually thrive thanks to its first class trainings and early responsibilities that bring out the best of each employee. Working at Credit Suisse I would have the opportunity to be exposed to a global environment while working for different types of clients with the most brilliant and motivated individuals. What differentiates Credit Suisse is its unique social commitment expressed through initiatives like the Global Citizens Program for education in Malawi. The bank feels responsible toward developing countries and it is proactive in sharing employee's skills and expertise. These element is of paramount importance to me since I have African roots.

I would like to inform you that I would have to sign my offer from Deloitte by the end of February and I would be grateful if I could have a feedback on my application in a reasonable time

I really look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Yours Sincerely,