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EDUCATION

Semi-Target University

Bachelor of Commerce, Co-op Honors

- CGPA: 80%
- Honors: Dean's Honors List
- Relevant Coursework: Equity Investments, Cases in Corporate Finance, Private Equity and Venture Capital

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Reputable Pension Fund (AUM greater than \$100B)

Co-op Analyst – Private Investments Valuation

- Responsible for creating and reviewing a diverse set of valuations for private corporations and assets, with equity values up to \$3 billion in a wide array of industries, by constructing highly detailed financial models
- Conducting detailed research and analysis on multiple asset classes by assessing their respective structure, industry, as well as comparable assets and transactions to provide an accurate view on the pricing of the asset
- Preparing valuation memos providing a summary of key points, to effectively communicate issues and changes leading to significant updates for mid-year and year-end valuations

Publicly Listed REIT

Corporate Analyst – Financial Planning and Analysis

- Constructed complex operating models for an Irish subsidiary to forecast change in earnings and cash-flows due to tightening of Irish real estate regulations, providing management greater visibility of the potential impact
- Developed the foundation for a forecasting model aimed at projecting hydro expenditures for all properties, resulting in a ~25% increase in forecasting accuracy, relative to standard estimates
- Prepared an acquisition model designed to derive an IRR on a potential \$10 million acquisition of rental apartments based on information provided by realtors, enabling the operations team to execute the transaction confidently

EXTRACURRICULAR EXPERIENCE

University Student-run Investment Fund Equity Analyst

- Analyzed existing investments in the industrials sector, valued at ~\$50,000, and updated valuation models based on changes in company performance and sector outlook to determine whether to increase/decrease position in the company
- Presented industry and portfolio performance update to educate stakeholders regarding trends in the North American housing and home improvement sectors, thus supporting investment thesis regarding positions in the sector
- Screened and researched potential new investments by analyzing company fundamentals and relevant industry drivers

University Finance Association

Research Analyst

- Prepared weekly market updates on equities to inform club members about current events and trends in capital markets
- Organized educational workshops to equip students with valuation skills and stimulate their interest in the financial industry
- Selected Projects:
 - Initiating Coverage Report on Descartes Systems Group Inc.
 - Drafted an initiating coverage report for DSGX supported by detailed research and blended valuation
 - Identified and researched industry drivers by analyzing trade freight and e-commerce data to support thesis
 - Constructed an operating model, comparable companies, and discounted cash-flow analysis to derive price target

SKILLS, ACTIVITIES & INTERESTS

- Technical Skills: Working knowledge of R, SQL and VBA
- Certifications: Breaking into Wall Street: Advanced Financial Modelling, Bloomberg Analytics Certification
- Activities: Equity Analyst at xxx Simulation Fund, Trader in the TMX Options Trading Simulator, Participant in the University Stock Pitch Competition
- Interests: Competing in intermural soccer, cooking, reading novels

Canada Expected Apr 2019

Sep 2017 — Present

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Jan 2017 — Apr 2017

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May 2017 — Aug 2017

Sep 2016 — Dec 2016