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EDUCATION

Baruch College Zicklin School of Business

New York, NY

Bachelor's Degree in Finance

Expected Graduation: May 2028

- Honors Awards: Phi Theta Kappa Society, National Society of Leadership and Success.

FINANCE EXPERIENCE

Altara Wealth Management

New York, NY

Externship

June 2026 - August 2026

- Shadowed a CFP®, over a 9 week period, gaining direct exposure to wealth management operations such as, client meetings, portfolio development, and retirement planning approaches.
- Developed insight into how advisors tailor investment portfolios and strategies that align with client retirement goals.
- Established practical knowledge of financial advisor responsibilities, including addressing client needs and maintaining client relationships.
- Observed client onboarding process, including risk tolerance assessments and goal setting conversations.

Morgan Stanley - Internal Audit Mentorship Program

New York, NY

Mentee

October 2025 - December 2025

- Acquired hands-on experience within internal audit processes, including control testing and risk management methodology.
- Completed mock audit sessions that sharpened analytical and critical thinking skills within internal audit.
- Collaborated with fellow mentees to discuss and compare perspectives on audit approaches.
- Attended workshops led by senior audit professionals covering regulatory compliance and the roles of internal audit within a global financial institution.

WORK EXPERIENCE

US Soccer

New York, NY

Assistant Referee

September 2026 - Present

- Officiate youth soccer matches (U10 and above) while ensuring accurate, offside and boundary calls.
- Arrive prepared for assigned matches, ensuring games begin and end on time.
- Maintain professionalism while enforcing calls under intense pushback from coaches, players, and spectators.

Brown Harris Stevens

New York, NY

Residential Concierge & Handyman

October 2024 - Present

- Ensure high-quality service in a luxury residential building, greeting tenants in a professional manner while assisting with any needs.
- Resolve any present maintenance issues through problem solving and direct repair work.
- Maintain positive resident relationships and experience across all service and maintenance duties through clear communication and strategic conflict resolution.

ACTIVITIES & LEADERSHIP

Finance & Banking Club

New York, NY

Member

September 2024 - May 2026

- Engaged in weekly discussions, analyzing any current market news and trends, including any recent IPO activity, general market performance, and macroeconomic developments.
- Participate in workshops covering Excel financial modeling, risk and return analysis, and market fundamentals for investment analysis and skills.

SKILLS, CERTIFICATIONS, & INTERESTS

- **Skills:** Investment Knowledge | Sales | Data Analysis | Artificial Intelligence Integration | Microsoft Excel |
- **Certifications:** Securities Industry Essentials (SIE) | HubSpot Academy - Social Media Certificate |
- **Interests:** Personal Finance | Sales & Negotiation | Reading | Artificial Intelligence | Physical Fitness |
- **Languages:** Fluent in Albanian | Proficient in Serbo-Croatian |