

EDUCATION

New York University

Bachelor of Arts in Economics, Concentration in Finance

GPA: 3.96/4.00 | Magna Cum Laude | Full Merit Scholarship (\$90K/year)

NYU Stern School of Business – Study Away Semester

Selected Coursework: Equity Valuation, Mergers, Acquisitions and Restructuring, Investment Banking/Private Equity, Advanced Corporate Finance, Asset Pricing and Derivatives, Islamic Finance, Financial Econometrics

Abu Dhabi, UAE
August 2022 – May 2026

New York, USA

EXPERIENCE

Trident Consulting

M&A Analyst

Dubai, UAE
August 2025 – Present

- Supported a \$100–130 million EV sell-side mandate for a UAE condiments manufacturer by benchmarking valuation against GCC trading and transaction multiples, screening 61 listed strategic buyers, and prepared eight outreach ready profiles covering financials, valuation, strategic rationale and senior executive contacts.
- Built a full accretion and dilution model for a potential \$130 million acquisition, incorporating purchase price, stock and debt financing, tax impacts and capital structure sensitivities to assess pro forma EPS accretion and dilution.
- Led ongoing cross-border sector coverage across the GCC, India, and Africa, synthesizing 500+ M&A, PPP, expansion, and IPO transactions across five industries (Food, FMCG, Cement, Hospitality, and Waste-to-Energy) into regular briefings used by the Managing Director to source live mandates.
- Authored sell-side pitch materials; evaluated and ranked 20+ potential acquirers based on strategic fit, financial capacity, geographic presence, and deal execution capability.
- Developed a global cement trading comparables and precedent transactions database spanning the Middle East, Africa, Asia, and Europe; analyzed EV/Revenue, EV/EBITDA, and EV/ton multiples to benchmark regional valuation gaps.

CBE Capital

Investment Banking Summer Analyst

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
June 2025 – August 2025

- Supported capital markets readiness for 5+ financial institutions, overseeing share dematerialization and listing compliance under the newly established Ethiopian Securities Exchange (ESX) framework.
- Prepared a Buy/Sell equity research report on Ethio Telecom (Ethiopia's first IPO); built risk-adjusted DCF and trading comparables models to derive implied valuation ranges relative to the 300 ETB pre-listing offer.

Hijra Bank

International Banking Intern

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
June 2024 – August 2024

- Completed a rotational internship across International Banking and Islamic Financing divisions, gaining exposure to trade finance (LCs, CAD, TT), SWIFT settlement workflows, and Sharia-compliant working capital structures.
- Gained direct exposure to a live ETB 150M (~\$2.7M) Murabaha working capital financing transaction, reviewing due diligence procedures (financial and bank statement reviews) and collateral valuation using credit assessment models.

PROJECTS

Equity Valuation Project – NYU Stern

Fall 2024

- Built DCF and relative valuation models for Walmart, AMD, and Rivian, incorporating beta, R&D capitalization, operating lease adjustments, and option valuation to derive intrinsic value ranges and Buy/Sell recommendations.

Investment Banking & Private Equity Projects – NYU

Fall 2024

- Built a fully integrated three-statement financial model with revenue drivers, working capital assumptions, and debt schedules, linking income statement, balance sheet, and cash flow projections.
- Constructed a leveraged buyout (LBO) model incorporating sources & uses, pro forma capital structure, debt tranches, and exit multiple assumptions, performing IRR and leverage sensitivity analysis to evaluate equity return scenarios.
- Developed a real estate acquisition model for residential assets in New York City and Dubai, analyzing cash-on-cash returns, IRR, leverage structures, and exit valuation under varying rent growth and cap rate assumptions.

LEADERSHIP AND EXTRACURRICULAR EXPERIENCE

Bloomberg ADNOC Trading Challenge – Team Captain

April 2025 – May 2025

- Ranked Top 10 among all participants, achieving a 17/18 trade success rate and 5.2% portfolio outperformance over the ADSMI index within a one-month period using an event-driven trading strategy

SKILLS & Certifications

- Financial Modeling:** DCF, LBO, Accretion/Dilution, Comparable Company Analysis, Precedent Transactions
- Technical:** Microsoft Excel, PowerPoint, Bloomberg Terminal, LSEG, Capital IQ, PitchBook
- Certifications:** Passed Level I of the CFA Program (Jun 2025); Bloomberg Market Concepts (BMC) (Jun 2023)