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ABOUT

Born and raised in Dubai, I want to understand what makes a business grow and help decide what comes next. I'm building a foundation in financial analysis, forecasting, and valuation while exploring how those skills inform business strategy. My goal is to turn financial insight into sound business decisions, bringing both analytical judgment and the accountability that comes with leading people.

EDUCATION

University of St. Thomas

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Major: Finance | Minors: Economics, Business Analytics, and Theology

Cumulative GPA: 3.52/4.00 | Dean's List: Fall 2024, Spring 2025, Fall 2025

St. Paul, MN

Expected May 2028

Al Mawakeb School Garhoud

High School Diploma

GPA: 3.8/4.0

Dubai, United Arab Emirates

2024

EXPERIENCE

University of St. Thomas Dining Services

Student Lead

St. Paul, MN

August 2024 - Present

- Coordinate daily operations in a high-volume campus dining environment, serving 3,000 meals per day.
- Support and guide student employees during service, helping maintain workflow and respond to operational issues.
- Collaborate with staff and student team members to deliver consistent service in a fast-paced environment.
- Maintain a 35-hour weekly work schedule while carrying a full-time academic course load and a 3.52 cumulative GPA.

PROJECTS

Nike, Inc. Valuation and Financial Modeling

2026

- Built a five-year discounted cash flow model using FY2022–FY2026 historical financial statements to forecast revenue, operating margins, and unlevered free cash flow through FY2031.
- Calculated WACC and performed sensitivity and bear/base/bull scenario analyses, estimating scenario values ranging from \$25.59 to \$74.53 per share.
- Estimated a base-case equity value of \$43.09 per share, implying 10.3% upside to the August 31, 2026 reference market price of \$39.06.

LEADERSHIP AND INVOLVEMENT

O'Neill's Scholars Program

University of St. Thomas

2024-Present

- Selected for a finance-focused scholars program providing professional development and engagement with industry professionals.
- Participate in discussions with finance professionals to learn about career paths, industry trends, and experiences in the field.

Opus Finance Club

2024-Present

- Participated in professional development events, employer presentations, and finance-focused networking opportunities.

SKILLS

Financial: DCF valuation, financial statement analysis, financial modeling, sensitivity analysis

Technical: Excel (PivotTables, XLOOKUP, Power Query), PowerPoint, Word, RStudio