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Aspiring Business Analyst

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Education

Columbia University & Sciences Po Paris

2022 – 2026

Dual Bachelor of Arts, Economics and Political Philosophy

- Dean's List (Columbia), Cum Laude Honors (Sciences Po Paris)
- Relevant Coursework: Behavioral Economics, Financial Economics

Columbia Business School

2025 – 2026

Special Concentration in Business Management

- Coursework: Corporate Finance, Strategy Formulation, Marketing, International Finance and Trade

Research Experience

Behavioral Economics Experimental Research

New York, United States

Research Assistant, Columbia University

Feb 2025 – Present

- Designed and programmed 3 oTree experiments on market unraveling in climate insurance, to be run by 100+ CELSS lab participants and for future online deployment
- Built front-end and back-end code with randomized role logic and real-time data capture
- Proposed improvements to subject grouping and data handling to reduce complexity and enhance analysis
- Research contributes to a PhD dissertation integrating lab and field data from Colombian farmers

Sociology Research Project

Reims, France

Author & Researcher, Sciences Po Paris

Jan 2023 – May 2023

- Led quantitative analysis for team research on gender norms and alcohol choices in social contexts
- Conducted 10 regressions on 100+ observations and 500 data points to isolate effects of gender, group size, and age
- Found that gender dominated drink choice decisions; women conformed in male-dominated groups, men did not reciprocate
- Built an Excel-based predictive model to test and support hypothesis on sociological influence

AI Misinformation Policy Project

Reims, France

Author & Researcher, Sciences Po Paris

Jan 2023 – Mar 2024

- Co-authored research on misinformation's impact on civic trust and participation; argued for platform regulation to safeguard public discourse
- Led analysis of real-world implications using academic and policy sources; presented findings in class

Leadership and Service

Dual BA Representative, GS Student Council

New York, United States

Columbia University

Sep 2024 – Present

- Designed and launched a high-touch academic mentoring system reaching 50+ Dual BA students, improving preparedness for academic transition to Columbia's academic environment
- Initiated collaboration with Columbia deans to scale the system into a formal 1-on-1 mentorship structure across all Dual Degree pathways
- Developed proposals to democratize research access through the GS policy committee, addressing barriers faced by underrepresented cohorts
- Organized community-building initiatives to strengthen cohesion across geographically and academically diverse student groups

Additional Experience

Migration Assistant Intern

MigrationAid: Emergency Response Hostel

Budapest, Hungary

May 2023 – Aug 2023

- Managed daily logistics for the distribution of 100 meals to Ukrainian refugees, organizing, labeling, and allocating donations under resource constraints
- Designed and implemented the *Free Supermarket* model to streamline equitable access to food and hygiene items, prioritizing dignity and personalization
- Facilitated hostel operations for 100+ residents through adaptive volunteer coordination and hands-on service

Translator

Freelance, UN-led Projects

New York, USA / Remote

Oct 2021 – Mar 2024

- Translated technical proposals and policy documents from English and Spanish to French for UNICEF vaccination campaigns and UNODC pedagogic initiatives
- Produced and presented concise, stakeholder-facing summaries to improve cross-linguistic accessibility and operational clarity
- Maintained terminological accuracy and tone across multilingual deliverables, supporting coordination between UN agencies and NGOs

Technical Skills and Proficiencies

Languages:

- English, Spanish, French (Native)
- Portuguese (Full Professional Proficiency)
- Russian, German, Italian (Conversational)

Technical Skills

- Data Analysis with R, SQL, Excel
- Microsoft Office
- Experimental Design with Python, HTML, oTree

Highlights and Analytical Strengths

- Background in designing and implementing quantitative research methodologies
- Strong background in economic experimental design and data-driven decision making
- Proven ability to develop complex probabilistic models and simulate market dynamics
- Skilled in translating technical findings into actionable insights
- Demonstrated expertise in risk assessment and financial market analysis