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#### **EDUCATION**

#### University of Connecticut School of Business, Storrs, CT

May 2014

Master of Business Administration (MBA), Concentration in Finance, GPA: 3.7/4.0

- Awarded Teaching Assistantship and full scholarship based on merit, 2012 2014
- Finance Society, Graduate Business Association, Member

#### THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY, University Park, PA

2008

Bachelor of Science, Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Management

#### **EXPERIENCE**

## University of Connecticut Foundation, Hartford, CT

2013-2014

Treasurer: Student Managed Fund

Responsible for the asset allocation of a \$2 million portfolio of the university's endowment fund

- Research and analyze equities and fixed income instruments for investments using a top-down approach
- Strategize with a team of ten graduate managers to find suitable investments
- Perform analysis on energy and materials sectors and use investment criteria to determine stock selections
- Focus on evaluating risks such as: Business Model Risk, Balance Sheet Risk, Management Risk
- Attended Bloomberg Terminal and Adkins Matchett Toy Financial Modeling Training

#### PHILIPS CONSUMER LIFESTYLE NORTH AMERICA, Stamford, CT

Summer 2013

Finance MBA Intern

Synthesized key opportunities and insights into a recommended blueprint for optimized trade promotion terms resulting in a modeled 11% reduction in trade promotion while simultaneously increasing sales by 6.7% over a three year timeline on over \$1 billion in sales and \$200 million in trade promotion spend

- Utilized past projects and McKinsey studies to build a pathway to trade promotion harmonization and optimization
- Analyzed and modeled financial impact long-term view of financial and trade impact of optimized trade promotion scheme
- Implemented standardized way of reporting progress and tracking/addressing differences versus annual operating plan
- Quantified and controlled both financial and business relationship risks in the migration of business execution to new trade promotion scheme

#### HILTON HOTELS AND RESORTS Embassy Suites Northwest San Antonio, TX

2011 - 2012

Director

Led a 35 member team, including an assistant manager, supervisors, and line level associates totaling \$778,000 in managed labor expenses at a 216 room hotel

- Controlled the purchasing and inventory management within a yearly budget of \$237,000 direct expenses
- Analyzed daily housekeeping quality and quantity scores to monitor and evaluate the performance and growth of our team members; used these analyses to identify opportunities for improvement, which resulted in a 7.0% increase in room cleanliness scores and 4.1% increase in overall satisfaction scores
- Interviewed, hired, developed training modules, and conducted annual performance evaluations of all department
  associates; resolved internal problems and fostered open communication, all while motivating and mentoring
  associates leading to a 3.1% increase in department associate satisfaction surveys results
- Awarded Make a Difference Manager of the Month for November 2011

### **HEI HOTELS AND RESORTS** San Antonio, TX

2009 -2011

**Assistant Director** 

Selected to be Acting Director for 8 months, overseeing a 50+ staff of the housekeeping attendants

- Led service culture training in various departments, resulting in a 4.75% increase in Guest Satisfaction Scores in 2011
- Participated as an active member of the hotel's energy committee; through these efforts the hotel posted energy savings of 15.4% in 2009 and 6.1% in 2010
- Managed and controlled, through proactive inventories and labor management processes, an annual budget of \$1.3 million in payroll expenses and \$180,000 in direct expenses
- Awarded Manager of the Quarter, Second Quarter 2010