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How did Honors/ Scholars help prepare you for success?

Honors program required us to take advanced courses beyond the general graduation requirements. It was a struggle to balance higher level courses while also meeting the GPA requirement at times, but in hindsight it was the hardest courses that taught me the most relevant skills. Other aspects, such as the honors seminar and the honors fellowship, helped to build my interactive skills which I have found are immensely important in nearly any professional or networking setting.

**2005, Finance Major,
Info Tech Minor, completed
Received CFA charter in
2013**

What is your dream job?

Chief fun officer at a global tech company

Where do you see yourself in 5 years?

I'm currently applying to business schools, which will occupy the next 2-3 years. After graduating, I plan to join a leadership or rotational program at a tech firm in business strategy or product management.

Do you have any advice for current students?

- Take the hard math/science classes
- Depending on what industry you want to work in, figure out what certifications/credentials are needed and see if you can get a head start on those
- Ask senior classmates and friends which professors challenged them the most, or taught in a way that helped them develop personal skills.
- Find classes or organizations that require you to speak and present in public regularly.
- Spend time attending the career centers presentations, because job search skills become a priority very quickly as you approach your junior and senior year.
- Seek out internships and co-ops as early as possible.
- Travel every chance you get, whether it is studying abroad or attending conferences out of state.
- Spend time learning about yourself, your interests, hobbies, and passions.



What have you been doing since graduation?

2 years working at a global investment bank (Barclays Capital) in financial software sales and support for fixed income portfolio and index Analysis tools. Then 2 years working at a financial software company (Factset Research Systems) selling portfolio analysis products and managing a team of consultants in our fixed income division

