ZIXIANG (STEVEN) ZHOU

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EDUCATION

Columbia University in the City of New York, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Master of Arts in Economics

New York, USA Dec 2020

Passed all three levels of the CFA program and will be eligible for award of the CFA charter upon completion of the required work experience

New York University, Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Stern School of Business Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics and Economics, Business Studies Minor

New York, USA May 2016

Graduation Honor: Latin Honor Cum Laude (Top 30% of Graduating Class)

University Honor Scholar and Founders Day Award: Award granted for significant academic achievement upon graduation Cumulative GPA: 3.68/4.00 (The Dean's List Honor, Top 30%) with A in Math Modeling, Probability and Linear Algebra

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Ernst & Young (China) Advisory Limited Senior Associate

Beijing, China Oct 2016-Oct 2018

- Served as a member of EY APAC Tax Young Innovator Council; facilitated panel discussions on application of business-driven technologies
- Performed due diligence on target companies in M&A deals; interviewed target managements to assess tax compliance status
- Evaluated target compliance risk by building models based on extracted data from financial database
- Conducted benchmark analysis on data from STB (State Tax Bureau) database
- Supervised a team of associates on tax due diligence projects and provide cross-border tax advisory services on tax structuring and tax planning

Accenture Consulting (Beijing) Co. Ltd. Summer Consulting Intern

Beijing, China Aug 2015

- Implemented IT optimization plans for five subdivisions of a national energy corporation
- Assessed the corporation's current state of IT infrastructure by interviewing 5 division managers; reported analyzed results and project milestones through 5 status reports and one strategic report
- Conducted training sessions to help other interns engage in teamwork

China Merchant Securities, Investment Banking Division Summer Analyst Intern

Beijing, China Jul-Aug 2014

- Participated in national energy corporation's acquisition of its subsidiaries; produced proposals of financing tools for the acquisition; provided budget optimization plans for 3 subsidiaries of the corporation
- Analyzed corporation's current situation by interviewing 5 clients; reported analysis results and project milestones through 3 monthly briefings and 1 strategic report

ACTIVITIES

Secretary General, All American Chinese Youth Federation

Worked collaboratively in uniting Chinese Students and Scholars Association (CSSA) from various universities in New York to establish the New York Chapter of the Federation. The inauguration event reported on *Central Daily News*

New York, USA 2014-2015

Team Leader, Citi Treasury and Trade Solutions Case Competition

• Led 4 teammates and prepared a 20-page PPT report in 48 hours; made a 7-minute presentation; Final 5 out of 20 teams for excellent leadership and teamwork

New York, USA Nov 2014

Student Ambassador, NYU Liberal Studies Program

 Mentored 50 incoming freshmen by introducing the program and answering questions regarding major selection; served as an admissions ambassador by interacting with potential NYU applicants through the summer New York, USA Sept 2013

LANGUAGE & SKILLS

• Technical: MATLAB and Microsoft Office; R