Simon Yang

EDUCATION

Rotman School of Management & Department of Economics, University of Toronto

Master of Financial Economics

Toronto, Ontario Expected June 2026

- **Awards:** Graduate Entrance Scholarship (\$5,000)
- Upcoming Courses: Mergers and Acquisitions (MBA); Corporate Financing II (MBA); Financial Economics I (MA); Econometrics (MA); Energy and Regulation (MA)

Rotman School of Management & Department of Economics, University of Toronto

Toronto, Ontario

Sept. 2018 – June 2022

Bachelor of Commerce (Major in Economics and Finance)

- Academics: cGPA 3.93/4.0
- Awards: Graduated with High Distinction; Dean's List in all four years
- Relevant Courses: Corporate Finance (A); Financial Accounting (A); International Finance (A); International Trade Theory (A)

INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

- CFA: Level I Passed
- Clean Tech: Renewable Energy Financial Modeling; Renewable Energy Technology Fundamentals
- CFI: Excel for Finance; Reading Financial Statements; Python Fundamentals
- The Marquee Group: Merger Modeling; Accounting Financial Statements; DCF Valuation
- Bloomberg Market Concepts

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Bank of Canada

Toronto, Ontario

May 2022 - May 2023

Financial Markets Research Assistant

- Surveyed over 40 top-level Insurance, Asset Management, and Investment Banking executives quarterly.
- Identified market sentiments on Interest and Inflation using Excel, informing Governing Council on market conditions.
- Produced weekly reference rate liquidity reports used for BoC publications and presented them to Alternative Rate Working Group.
- Used Excel and VBA to create an automation system, speeding up weekly CDOR vs CORRA data visualization process by 80%.

Notable Projects:

Quarterly Market Participants Survey

o Gathered qualitative and quantitative opinions on interest rate and inflation from large FIs in Canada to assist BoC governing councils on rate decision.

Canadian Reference Rate Transition

o Generated weekly monitoring reports on the progress of Canadian financial market's adoption of CORRA as a new base rate, moving from CDOR.

Investment Banking, Bank of China

Dalian, China

Investment Banking Intern – Real Estates and Infrastructures

May 2021 – Aug. 2021

- Conducted financial analysis using Excel, developing liquidity matrices for debt underwritings.
- Contributed to the financial analysis section of the Prospectus for Evergrande Group's debt issuance.
- Produced industry reports on Off-Shore Wind Power Plants, informing senior management on latest industry developments.

ENTREPRENEURIAL EXPERIENCE

Caffe'in Coffee

Toronto, Ontario

Co-Founder and Manager

June 2023 – April 2024

- Increased weekly sales from \$3k to \$9k using innovative coffee offerings combined with online marketing strategies.
- Sold the company after two rounds of successful equity financing, showcasing strong skills in financial forecasting, valuations, and clear communication of complex financial concepts.
- Led a dedicated team of 8, promoting a collaborative and high-performance work environment.
- Effectively managed challenges and uncertainties, maintaining a 24/7 on-call schedule, demonstrating resilience and adaptability.

PERSONAL

- Technical Skills: Experienced in Bloomberg, Capital IQ, Python, Excel, PowerPoint, Qualtrics
- Languages: Fluent in Mandarin; 5+ years of experience in French
- Interests: Cuisine (ex-appetizer chef at Earls Kitchen and Bar); Rally Racing