Nicholas Ward

EDUCATION

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

Master of Financial Economics

Toronto, Ontario Expected June 2026

- Scholarship: MFE Graduate Entrance Scholarship (\$6,000).
- Relevant Courses: Corporate Financing (MBA), Options and Futures Markets (MBA), Security and Portfolio Analysis (MBA), Econometrics (MA)

Department of Arts/Sciences & Smith School of Business, Queen's University

Kingston, Ontario

BAH in P.P.E. (Politics, Philosophy and Economics, specialization in economics), Smith Certificate in Business

2020 - 2024

- Academics: cGPA 3.92/4.0
- Awards/Scholarships: Queen's Excellence Scholarship (\$1,500). Dean's List 2020-2024.
- Relevant Courses: PPEC Research Seminar (A), Macroeconomic Theory (A), Microeconomic Theory (A), Financial Accounting (A+), Urban and Regional Economics (A), Statistics (A), Law and Economics (A+).

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Litvak & Co. Wealth Management

Norwalk, Connecticut

Financial Analyst and Market Researcher, Intern

Summer 2023

- Researched, analyzed, and presented equity opportunities using financial modeling, DCF and multiples valuation analysis.
- Overhauled internal performance and client monthly reports, greatly improving data presentation and comprehensibility.
- Synthesized and presented ad-hoc reports on US/CDN/EU equities, private/global credit, Basel III, energy, and commodities.

BTS Development Mexico City, Mexico

Investment Analyst, Intern

Summer 2022

- Evaluated industrial real estate investment opportunities through market research, DCF, IRR, and cap rates analysis.
- Estimated development project payouts through tiered waterfall repayment models, improving deal structure and strategy.
- Reported on nearshoring, foreign investment, e-commerce, and their impacts on Mexican real estate markets and macroeconomy.
- Spearheaded a foreign investor sentiment survey, catalyzing relationships with key players such as Blackrock, Vanguard, OTPP, etc.

Camp Hurontario Georgian Bay, Ontario Summer 2019, 2021 Head Sailing Instructor

- Taught over 500 campers how to sail and race dinghies across two summers. Managed and maintained 24+ boats.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Queen's Conference in Business and Governance

Kingston, Ontario

2022 - 2024

Co-founder, Director of Finance

- Co-founded and managed the finances of QCBC, leading it to a successful inaugural conference in November 2023.
- Hosted experts in key political offices and high-ranking business professionals (Head of Canadian Treasury Board, Director of Nuclear Defense at NATO, Head of Public Policy at META, etc.) for two days of speakers series, workshops, and networking events.

RELEVANT ACADEMIC PROJECTS

Politics, Philosophy, and Economics Research Seminar

Kingston, Ontario

Housing, Speculation, and Taxation in Toronto and Vancouver

- Completed supervised research project/paper on the housing markets and anti-speculation tax policies of Toronto and Vancouver.
- Analyzed the sensitivity of housing benchmark prices to different types of taxation in Stata and Excel.
- Examined which taxes and policy can be effectively employed to negate speculative housing demand and create allocative efficiency within the existing stock of housing.

PERSONAL

- Technical skills: Excel, DCF valuation, Stata, Market Terminals, Powerpoint, Photoshop.
- Citizenship: United States and Canadian.
- Languages: English, Conversational Spanish and French.
- Interests: High-fidelity audio, Vinyl, Drumming, Sailing/dinghy racing, Continental philosophy, Political economy.