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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Nationwide Asset Management

Investment Professional, Portfolio Manager and Trader

- Co-manage two multi-asset class fixed income separate accounts for external clients totaling approximately \$780M in AUM; responsible for all portfolio management activities including investment strategy, portfolio construction, performance and risk attribution, and trading
- Support overall investment strategy and asset allocation using a variety of quantitative methods including multivariate regression, PCA, and nearest neighbors analysis
- Led a team of data scientists to develop a systematic equity sector rotation strategy using KNN regression in Python; model results improved the Sharpe ratio vs. the S&P 500 by 0.15 over various out-of-sample tests
- Developed an automated process to monitor real-time positioning and performance across accounts using SQL and Python
- Leading a Python reskilling initiative for Nationwide investment professionals; teaching over 20 investment associates Python functionality for finance including multivariate regression, PCA, and mean-variance portfolio optimization

Derivatives Trader

- Developed an automated trading process in VBA that integrates Bloomberg's EMSX API for Nationwide's volatility control funds (approx. \$6B in notional)
- Executed future, option, and swap trades across asset classes on behalf of Nationwide Asset Management's portfolio managers
- Executed exotic option trades to hedge fixed-indexed annuity and individual universal life market exposures

Market Risk Analyst

- Developed and maintained MATLAB model for estimating liquidity VaR for Nationwide's derivative positions
- Enhanced stochastic spread model to assess spread risk and capture correlation risk with other market risk factors
- Monitored, evaluated, and summarized market risks across Nationwide's investment portfolios
- Aggregated market and credit risk exposures to develop economic capital needs for the Enterprise
- Presented summary of investment risk profile and risk budgets to Chief Investment Risk Officer monthly

Associate, Financial Leadership Rotation Program

Enterprise Portfolio Management - Rotation 4

 Developed econometric currency models to inform the decision to hedge international exposures Enterprise Risk and Capital Management - Rotation 3

Developed underwriting cycle models for P&C statutory lines of business to estimate the impact of serial correlation in a multi-year economic capital model

Nationwide Economics - Rotation 2

Developed a data-driven forecast of housing market health for 373 Metropolitan Statistical Areas across the country for use in a media-generating publication

Scottsdale Finance Performance Management & Analysis - Rotation 1

Built a valuation model allowing management to analyze the profitability of new business opportunities and support investment decisions

EDUCATION

Miami University Bachelor of Science in Finance Minors in Economics and Decision Sciences

Cumulative GPA: 3.84 / 4.0

CERTIFICATION/SKILLS

Certifications & Training: Chartered Financial Analyst, Certified Financial Risk Manager, Python for Data Science by UC San Diego

Technical Skills: Python, MATLAB, SQL, VBA, Git, Bloomberg, Haver, FactSet, thinkFolio, QlikView, Tableau Modeling Skills: Linear and Logistic Regression, K-Nearest Neighbors, Decision Trees, Principal Component Analysis, Linear and Quadratic Optimization

Nov 2016 - Dec 2017

Columbus, Ohio

Dec 2017 - Current

Mar 2015 - Jun 2015

Sep 2014 - Mar 2015

Mar 2014 - Sep 2014

Aug 2013 - Mar 2014



Class of 2013

Jun 2015 - Nov 2016