



January Jumpstart 2023: Launching Your Career



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About Me

MY NAME IS SHERRI S. WICK, I AM A MENTOR, MOTIVATOR, ADVOCATE AND OVERALL DOPE HYPEWOMAN!

- Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor (LCPC)
- National Board Certified Counselor (NBCC)
- MBTI Practitioner
- Intercultural Development Inventory (IDI) Qualified Administrator

Owner/Founder:

- Holistically Divine Counseling, LTD
- Moments of Mindfulness, LLC
- The Gift of Counseling (TGOCC), LLC
- Simply Divine Consultant

Adjunct Professor:

- Benedictine University, Lisle, IL
- National Louis University, Chicago, IL

Movement:

- Hardstyle Kettlebell & Animal Flow



A close-up photograph of wooden letterpress blocks arranged to spell out 'LET'S GO!'. The letters are light-colored wood with dark, recessed interiors. The blocks are set against a background of other wooden blocks and a dark surface. The lighting is warm, highlighting the texture of the wood.

- *Chat: (Do not hit enter, just hit space bar to add all the info)*
- *First & Last Name;*
- *Major;*
- *When do you graduate;*
- *What job are you looking for?*
- *What graduate program are you applying to?*
- *Why are you attending this webinar?*

“The reward for conformity is that everybody likes you except yourself.” - Rita Mae Brown

quote

Informational Interview



one

A meeting to learn about the real-life experience of someone working in a field or company that interests you.

two

Essential to helping find out more about the type of industry, company, or role you are interested in.

three

Gives you an opportunity to identify what communities you want to work with.

four

It is not a job interview, and the objective is not to find job openings.

Internship Experience



An internship is a professional learning experience that offers meaningful and practical work for a specific period of time. Many internship positions are paid, but not all.

During your internship, you will gain hands-on experience in a specific career or field that interests you. This exposure will give you the opportunity to learn what you may or may not like about that possible career.

Internships also allow you to begin building a professional network that can help you in your job search. You will start to build job-specific skills, and most importantly, you will build confidence in your own abilities and knowledge.

Become Best Friends with the Career Office:

<https://aurora.edu/student-life/campus-services/career-services/internships/index.html>

LinkedIn Profile Checklist

PHOTO: It doesn't have to be fancy - just use your cellphone camera in front of a plain background. Wear a nice shirt and don't forget to smile!

HEADLINE: Tell people what you're excited about now and the cool things you want to do in the future.

SUMMARY: Describe what motivates you, what you're skilled at, and what's next.

EXPERIENCE: List the jobs you held, even if they were part-time, along with what you accomplished at each. Even include photos and videos from your work.

ORGANIZATIONS: Have you joined any clubs at school or outside? Be sure to describe what you did with each organization.

David Xiao
Econ Major and Aspiring Financial Analyst
San Francisco Bay Area | Financial Services

Previous: Berkeley Ventures
Education: University of California, Berkeley

153 connections

www.linkedin.com/in/davidxiao/

Background

Summary
I'm a senior at Berkeley, starting to look for roles in the financial industry. As an economics major, I'm fascinated by the invisible forces that shape our world. Why does one company succeed and another fail? Is it possible to predict which idea will be the next big thing?
As such, I've taken lots of microeconomics coursework and have interned with a local venture capital firm. And now I'd like to put that experience to good use, analyzing tomorrow's up-and-coming companies.

Experience

Venture Capital Internship BERKELEY VENTURES
Berkeley Ventures
May 2013 – September 2013 (5 months) | Berkeley, CA
Conducted research on 20 startup companies and presented my findings to the fund's board, leading to a new \$1.5 million investment.

Organizations

Berkeley A Capella
Lead Singer
March 2012 – Present
Schedule and perform at events for one of Berkeley's oldest a cappella groups, including last year's Cal-Stanford game.

EDUCATION: Starting with college, list all the educational experiences you've had - including summer programs.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE & CAUSES: Even if you weren't paid for a job, be sure to list it. Admissions officers and employers often see volunteer experience as just as valuable as paid work.

SKILLS & EXPERTISE: Add at least 5 key skills - and then your connections can endorse you for the things you're best at.

HONORS & AWARDS: If you earned a prize in or out of school, don't be shy. Let the world know about it!

COURSES: List the classes that show off the skills and interests you're most excited about.

PROJECTS: Whether you led a team assignment in school or built an app on your own, talk about what you did and how you did it.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Ask managers, professors, or classmates who've worked with you closely to write a recommendation. This gives extra credibility to your strengths and skills.

Education

University of California, Berkeley
Economics, B.A.
2010 – 2014 (expected)

Volunteer Experience & Causes

Big Buddy
Skyline High School
September 2012 – May 2013 (9 months) | Education
Mentored an Oakland high school student through the college application process, helping him get into his dream school.

Skills & Expertise

Most endorsed for...

- 12 Economics
- 11 Start-ups
- 10 Due Diligence
- 10 Venture Capital
- 10 Management

Honors & Awards

The Achievement Award Program
UC Berkeley
Four-year scholarship awarded to community-minded students with a proven track record of academic success.

Courses

University of California, Berkeley

- Microeconomic Theory (Econ 101A)
- International Monetary Economics (182)
- Public Economics (230A)

Projects

Venture Capital Financing in India
May 2013
For our international Monetary Economics course, Paul and I decided to study the emerging venture capital industry in India. By looking at data from the World Bank, we were able to understand the challenges and opportunities facing this nascent sector. And we developed a series of recommendations for overcoming these challenges, which we delivered to our professor in a final term paper.
5 team members
David Xiao (Econ Major and Aspiring Financial Anal...)
Paul Smith (Student at UC Berkeley)

Recommendations Received (2)

Venture Capital Internship
Berkeley Ventures

Tim Lee
Partner
David spent the summer with us at Berkeley Ventures and made an immediate impact. He showed us a brand new technique for firm analysis that he had just learned in school and came through with recommendations that opened our eyes to a unique set of opportunities.
We don't normally hire undergrads as interns but after working with David, we will again!
November 13, 2013, Tim managed

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Action Plan: SWOT Analysis

Actionable Strategies to aid in
Career Success



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copy and save in your google drive.

Action Plan: Career Journey Success

Actionable Strategies to aid in
career success



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Motivation/Consistency

"Don't be afraid to fail BIG."
~ Denzel Washington

"Fall Forward."
~ Denzel Washington



Purpose/Vision

"Purpose crosses disciplines."
~ Chadwick Boseman

"Purpose is the essential
element of you."
~ Chadwick Boseman



THANK YOU

