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Hello! We hope you're keeping warm and well as we transition from the winter break into the bustling spring semester of 2024. At the Hanlon Financial Systems Center, our commitment to innovation continues, bolstered by our cutting-edge lab and the latest in technology. Here's a quick update on our recent activities.

### Alumni Talks - Dr. Honglei Zhao



- We are thrilled to present an interview with <u>Dr. Honglei Zhao</u>, a distinguished alumnus who earned his Master's in Financial Engineering from Stevens in 2015 and his Ph.D. in Financial Engineering in 2018.
- During the interview, Dr. Zhao shares his experiences as a Stevens student and as a lab assistant at the Hanlon Financial Systems Center.
- He offers valuable advice on how students can maximize their time at Stevens and apply their acquired knowledge in their careers for success.
- Click on the above video to view the complete interview.

# Alumni Talks - Oluwadamilola (Dami) Seweje



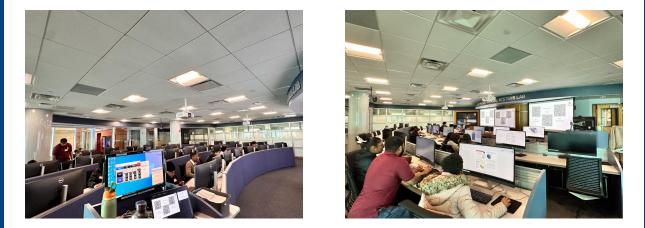
- In our recent interview with alumna <u>Oluwadamilola (Dami) Seweje</u>, she shares valuable insights from her journey at the Hanlon Financial Systems Center (HFSC), academic work, and career.
- Dami highlights the importance of familiarizing oneself with industry-standard tools like the Bloomberg terminal available at HFSC, emphasizing how this knowledge can set job seekers apart in the financial sector.
- Dami shares her research project's findings on portfolio beta profitability during various financial periods, showcasing the practical application of academic studies to real-world financial analysis.
- Dami's intent to pursue a Ph.D. and continue her research on portfolio beta profitability during the pandemic underscores the continuous journey of learning and application in one's career, motivating students and professionals to keep exploring and expanding their knowledge.
- <u>Click here</u> to read the interview.

# **Stellar Program Employment Outcomes**

| <ul> <li>We are excited to present the latest employment statistics for our graduates, reflecting the strong market demand for the skills and knowledge imparted through our diverse programs.</li> <li>Our programs equip students with expertise to excel in their careers. The following table showcases strong employment rates and average compensation, highlighting the immediate value of earning a Steven's degree and the success our alumni achieve in the critical first months post-graduation.</li> </ul> |              |              |         |  |  |
|---|--------------|--------------|---------|--|--|
| Program   | Employment 3 | Employment 6 | Average |  |  |

|         | Months Post<br>Graduation | Months Post<br>Graduation | Compensation<br>(Includes Signing<br>Bonus) |
|---------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Finance | 89%                       | 94%                       | \$86,787                                    |
| FA      | 93%                       | 100%                      | \$109,267                                   |
| FE      | 98%                       | 98%                       | \$128,454                                   |

#### **High School Enrichment Program**



- The Pre-College STEM Conference welcomed local high school students for an engaging series of college and career readiness workshops, an interactive Q&A session with seasoned STEM professionals and students, and a handson SolidWorks Workshop held in the Hanlon Lab.
- Attendees developed new skills and received valuable insights and practical knowledge to aid in their college journeys and future careers, particularly in STEM fields.

#### School of Business Seminar Series



- The School of Business at Stevens continues the tradition of sharing research through our seminar series. Visit <u>our website</u> for more details.
- On January 25th, Qi Feng presented insights into "Signature and Deep Learning Methods for Path-Dependent Problems in Finance."
- Lingjiong Zhu delved into "Score-based Generative Models" during his seminar on February 1st.
- On February 8th, Stan Uryasev from Stony Brook University presented "Risk Quadrangle and Applications in Statistics, Data Mining, and Portfolio Optimization".
- The list of remaining Spring 2024 Financial Engineering seminars can be found <u>here</u>.

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