

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

The de Soto Society

*A Premier Investment Banking and Corporate Finance
Placement Society*

Founded by finance students in 2019 to provide students with
the skills and network necessary to pursue careers in
investment and corporate finance



DE SOTO SOCIETY

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

FOR STUDENTS

To provide a platform that allows LSU's most talented, driven, and qualified students the opportunity to train for and obtain a career in high finance while representing LSU at the highest level.

FOR EMPLOYERS

To identify LSU's best students as an additional source of applicants to complement the increasingly competitive search for top talent at traditional core universities.

Objectives

A photograph of the Memorial Tower at Louisiana State University, featuring a tall clock tower with a dome and a classical building base with columns. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent purple vertical bar on the left side.

BASED ON UGA'S CORSAIR SOCIETY

Since its founding in 2006, **the University of Georgia's Corsair Society** has placed over 160 students into full-time analyst programs with top-tier investment banks and management consulting firms.

Program alumni continue to succeed following their analyst programs through direct promotion, admission to top business school programs, and work in private equity and related fields.

THE PROCESS

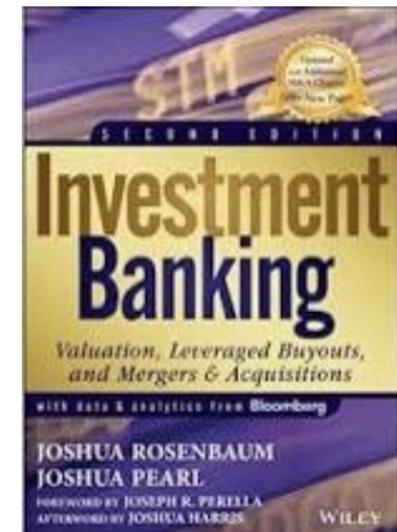
Following a rigorous selection process, members are prepared for the finance interview process by student mentors, learn valuation techniques and financial modeling in the classroom, and gain practical experience through application in case studies. The process culminates with successful students placing in finance internships the summer before senior year through our alumni contacts.



Personal Development

Interview Prep

- 12 week-long educational program
- Mock interviews & Case Studies
- Wall Street Prep –discounted price through Michael Kirby and LSU Finance Department
- FIN 3720 –Valuation and M&A w/ Mr. Kirby
- Financial Modeling Bootcamp



Wall Street Prep



Alumni Networking

LSU Finance Alumni Network

- LinkedIn Group
- Networking with LSU Alumni through coffee chats and phone conversations
- Interact with de Soto alumni in:
 - Houston, TX
 - New York, NY
 - Chicago, IL
 - San Francisco, CA

Where We've Worked



Bernhard
Capital Partners



EVERCORE



HW Harris Williams

J.P.Morgan



RAYMOND JAMES



Stephens



TUDORPICKERING
HOLT & CO | ENERGY INVESTMENT &
MERCHANT BANKING



WELLS FARGO

William Blair



MORE INFORMATION

If you would like to interview, email your resume to:

desotosociety@gmail.com

Interviews will take place on a rolling basis

Connect with us on LinkedIn: [Link](#)

More information on high finance careers:

- Mergers and Inquisitions
- Corporate Finance Institute
- Wall Street Oasis
- iBankingFAQ

de Soto Society Leadership Team



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Class of 2024

Vaughn Plummer

- **Placement:** Pending
- **Summer 2023:** William Blair & Co (Chicago, IL)
 - Investment Banking (Consumer)
- **Internships:** Battery Ventures (San Francisco, CA)
 - Venture Capital (Tech)

Jake Hoffpauir

- **Placement:** Q Advisors (Denver, CO)
- **Summer 2023:** Q Advisors (Denver, CO)
 - Investment Banking (TMT)
- **Internships:** Carr's Hill Partners
 - Private Equity

Matthew Waghalter

- **Placement:** Pending
- **Internships:** Artisan Design Group (Dallas, TX)
 - Mergers & Acquisitions

Johnathan Ellis

- **Placement:** Pending
- **Internships:** Zyyo (New York, NY); Highland Wealth (Baton Rouge, LA)

Tyler McCarthy

- **Placement:** Wells Fargo (Charlotte, NC)
- **Summer 2023:** Wells Fargo (Charlotte, NC)
 - Investment Banking (lev Fin)

Ryan Sanders

- **Placement:** Stephens (Atlanta, GA)
- **Summer 2023:** Percheron Capital (San Francisco, CA)
- **Internships:** Bluehenge Capital

Brenda Men

- **Placement:** EisnerAmper
- **Current Intern:** Reliant Value (New Jersey)
 - Financial Analyst
- **Internships:** Fidelity Bank (New Orleans, LA)
 - Mortgage Operations

Louis Billeaud

- **Placement:** Pending
- **Summer 2023:** LWCC (Baton Rouge, LA)
- **Internships:** Resource Environmental Solutions, Advantous Consulting

Class of 2025

Hayden Fields

- **Summer 2024:** Class VI Partners (Denver, CO)
- **Internships:** Honor Partners (Baton Rouge, LA); GMFS Mortgage (Baton Rouge, LA)
 - Accounting

Mason Brown

- **Summer 2024:** Varadero Capital (New York, NY)
- **Internships:** Varadero Capital (New York, NY); Graf Financial (Baton Rouge, LA)
 - Financial Advising

William Carter

- **Summer 2024:** J.P. Morgan Private Bank (Baton Rouge, LA)
- **Internships:** Cheniere Energy (Houston, TX)

Tucker Harrell

- **Summer 2024:** Decision Pending
- **Internships:** EisnerAmper (Baton Rouge, LA); Bearing Point Properties
 - Consulting; Real Estate

Eli Shortess

- **Summer 2024:** Brown Gibbons Lang & Co (Chicago, IL)
- **Summer 2023:** Johnson & Rice (New Orleans, LA)
- **Internships:** Kean Miller (Baton Rouge, LA)
 - Accounting

Declan Connolly

- **Summer 2024:** Decision Pending
- **Internships:** N/A

William Read

- **Summer 2024:** Decision Pending
- **Internships:** InterMountain Management (Monroe, LA)

Matthew McCelvey

- **Summer 2024:** Decision Pending
- **Internships:** PwC (Houston, TX)
 - Consulting

Class of 2026 – Class of 2027

Class of 2026 (Sophomores)

Jacob Murray

- **Summer 2024:** Enterprise Products
 - Commercial Intern
- **Major:** Finance

Jack Tiepe

- **Summer 2024:** Decision Pending
- **Internships:** Black Diamond Financial Services
- **Major:** Finance

Joeseph Liberto

- **Summer 2024:** Decision Pending
- **Major:** Finance

Wesley Charity

- **Summer 2024:** Decision Pending
- **Major:** Finance

Class of 2027 (Freshman)

Drew Weinnig

- **Major:** Finance

Bo Bowman

- **Major:** Finance

Cedric (CJ) Thomas Jr.

- **Major:** Computer Science
 - Software Engineering

Giana Mattis

- **Major:** Finance

Saket Naik

- **Major:** Finance

Alumni 2023

Samir Neal

- **Placement:** Evercore Partners (Houston, TX)
 - Investment Banking (Energy)
- **Internships:** Evercore Partners, Seabury Capital

Bryce McCormick

- **Placement:** Amegy (Dallas, TX)
 - Commercial Banking
- **Internship:** The Benchmark Company

Tevin Lashley

- **Placement:** Deutsche Bank (New York, NY)
 - Investment Banking
- **Internship:** Bluehenge Capital Partners, PIMCO
 - Private Equity & Asset Management

Brandon Roth

- **Placement:** Texas Capital Bank (Dallas, TX)
 - Investment Banking (Energy)
- **Internship:** Texas Capital Bank, Raymond James

Paul Cassisa

- **Placement:** Silversmith Capital Partners (Boston, MA)
 - Growth Equity
- **Internships:** Silversmith Capital Partners, Capital One
- **Current:** Serent Capital (Austin, TX)

Alumni 2021 - 2022

Gage Laswell '21

- **Placement:** Citi (Chicago, IL)
- **Current:** American Industrial Partners (New York, NY)

Tori Nunnally '21

- **Placement:** Cadence Bank (Houston, TX)
- **Current:** Bernhard Capital Partners (Baton Rouge, LA)

Matthew Hosman '22

- **Placement:** Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. (Houston, TX)
- **Current:** Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. (Houston, TX)

Andrew Ryan '22

- **Placement:** Deloitte (Houston, TX)
- **Current:** Mizuho (Houston, TX)

Jordan Raffray '22

- **Placement:** Cadence Bank (Atlanta, GA)
- **Current:** Portfolio Manager - Cadence Bank (Atlanta, GA)

Thaddeus Price '21

- **Placement:** Ernst & Young (Houston, TX)
- **Current:** Ernst & Young (Houston, TX)

Grant Smith '21

- **Placement:** Stephens (Little Rock, AR)
- **Current:** Stephens (Little Rock, AR)

Joel Moreau '22

- **Placement:** Financial Technology Partners (San Francisco, CA)
- **Current:** Co-Founder at Mallard Bay (Baton Rouge, LA)

Gabe Ingram '22

- **Placement:** MSF Candidate at Georgetown University
- **Current:** MSF Candidate at Georgetown University

Alumni 2019 - 2020

Jason Badeaux '19

- **Placement:** Simmons Energy (Houston, TX)
- **Current:** Daylight Energy (Baton Rouge, LA)

David Gaines '19

- **Placement:** Harris Williams (Richmond, VA)
- **Current:** Trive Capital (Dallas, TX)

Carter Toms '20

- **Placement:** Harris Williams (Richmond, VA)
- **Current:** Harris Williams (Richmond, VA)

Joseph Dupre '20

- **Placement:** Deloitte (Baton Rouge, LA)
- **Current:** Deloitte (Baton Rouge, LA)

Grey Bianca '20

- **Placement:** Deloitte (Houston, TX)
- **Current:** Mizuho (Houston, TX)

Ryan O'Krepki '19

- **Placement:** BlackRock (New York, NY)
- **Current:** RiseImpact Capital LLC (New Orleans, LA)

Jared Molaison '19

- **Placement:** Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. (Houston, TX)
- **Current:** Wind Point Partners (Chicago, IL)

Mason Tucker '20

- **Placement:** Robert W. Baird & Co. (Chicago, IL)
- **Current:** Robert W. Baird & Co. (Chicago, IL)

Bret Chalpin '20

- **Placement:** Credit Suisse (Houston, TX)
- **Current:** The Sterling Group (Houston, TX)

Peyton Ross '20

- **Placement:** Ernst & Young (Houston, TX)
- **Current:** Ernst & Young (Houston, TX)