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# ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

Fall 2022

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Fall 2022 Semester Review



This newsletter is  
dedicated to all The  
Finance Society alumni.  
Without your hard work,  
FS would not be the  
organization it is today.

# ALUMNI UPDATE

Dear Alumni,

We hope this newsletter finds you well! This Fall, we have had the honor of serving as Alumni Chairs for The Finance Society. We are pleased to share that our organization has been extremely active and successful this semester, from welcoming our completed 2025 E-Comm Class to launching new initiatives and events. It was great seeing so many of you at the Alumni Mingle at Harding's, and we hope you had a good time meeting former and current E-Comm members!

Additionally, FS hosted its annual retreat in November. We rented out a house in Southampton, and had a fun time bonding over games and building gingerbread houses. We also held several firm events, something that has never been done in the Fall, which drew many students who were keen to learn more about the finance industry.

Recruiting season is underway and the sophomores have been earnestly preparing. We have been connecting with several freshmen who are keen to join E-Comm, and we are looking forward to welcoming the next class early in the Spring Semester. As always, we thank you for your hard work and continued support, and hope to see you all again soon. Please feel free to reach out to either of us for anything, we are always happy to help.

From our family to yours, happy holidays and Merry Christmas!

Best,



Julia Wu  
Alumni Chair



Kritika Venkat  
Alumni Chair



Julia Wu '24  
Alumni Chair



Kritika Venkat '24  
Alumni Chair

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# PRESIDENTS' LETTER

Dear Alumni,

Over the course of the past semester, we have had the privilege of serving as Co-Presidents of The Finance Society. It has been a thrilling and impactful semester, and we're excited to share our highlights and accomplishments with you. This Fall, we focused on returning to fully in-person programming and bringing back our bi-annual Alumni Mingle. While the transition was certainly challenging, we are incredibly grateful for your continued support and hope to use it to build on the progress we've made this semester.

At the beginning of this semester, we welcomed two new members to our E-Comm community — Krishi and Arjun. They've quickly become a pivotal part of the club and actively engaged in our various traditions, including our annual Fall retreat. This semester, we went to Southampton, NY and spent the time playing games and cooking to destress right before finals. We also introduced a gingerbread house contest this year, a tradition that we hope will continue after our time in FS.

We are also pleased to announce several exciting changes to the E-Comm program. Harry and Delvia, our E-Comm Chairs, have revamped our curriculum to include new industry groupings and an internal coffee chat system. Each E-Comm member has chosen certain industries to concentrate on, with guidance from upperclassmen mentors, so that they are better prepared for interviews and group placement processes. The internal coffee chat system is an initiative where current sophomores and future E-Comm members will be required to speak with all of the current E-Comm members. The bonds in our FS community have further been strengthened by this program, as sophomores can get to know upperclassmen better and feel less nervous in reaching out for help.

Leading FS this past semester has been a tremendous experience and definitely one of the highlights of our time in college. None of it would have been possible without the hard work and dedication you all have put in to make the club what it is today. We truly appreciate your continued support, and hope our contributions live up to the standards you've established. It's been incredibly rewarding to make an impact on the broader Stern and NYU community with the support of both our Executive Board and E-Comm, and we look forward to seeing what the next semester brings. Please enjoy the newsletter and have a great holiday season!

Best,



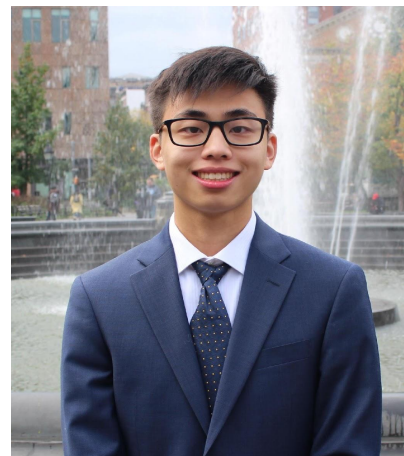
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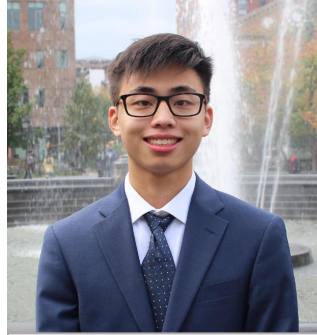


Kevin Li '23  
Co-President

# FALL EXECUTIVE BOARD



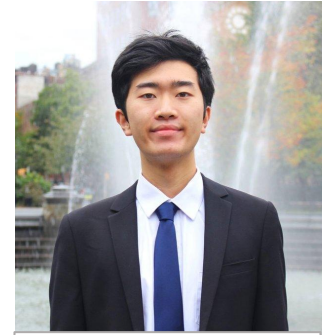
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# NEW E-COMM MEMBERS



**Arjun Kubal**

From: Carmel, IN

Interests: Weightlifting, House Music



**Krishi Shukla**

From: Parsippany, NJ

Interests: Bollywood Dance, Weightlifting, Horror Movies

# COMMUNITY BUILDING





# ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

## **What do you do now?**

I just finished up my MBA in May and am now working as an Investment Associate at Astia. We make early stage (Seed - Series B) investments in tech-enabled startups led by women and other minorities, across sectors.

## **What role did you take on in FS and what has been your favorite memory of the club?**

I was one of the E-Comm Co-Chairs in my Junior year (which was nearly 10 years ago, dang). It's hard for me to pick a single favorite memory, but what sticks out to me most about FS was the camaraderie and mentorship that was fostered amongst the members. I remember the upperclassmen were so helpful to me as I was coming into the world of finance, and that instilled in me the value of mentorship and having someone who's been in your shoes before. As we became upperclassmen ourselves, we tried to pay that forward to other members of the club and its future leaders.

## **Most important lesson you have learned after graduating that you would tell someone in college right now?**

In my opinion, part of your college journey should involve getting out of your comfort zone and exploring different disciplines or interest areas. As I reflect on my time at NYU, I wish I took the opportunity to take more classes outside of Stern. Obviously Stern has so many amazing course offerings and faculty that you could fill your entire 4-year curriculum with no issue - that goes without saying. But, I think it's important to be well-rounded and multidisciplinary as it gives you different perspectives, frameworks, and toolkits to approach problems in an increasingly complex and interdisciplinary business environment. Take that random CAS or Wagner class, just because it's interesting to you. Build your network outside of Stern too, because it's important to have a diverse network and you never know where people will end up in 10 years.

## **Where do you see yourself 5-10 years from now?**

Having now worked in distressed credit and early stage VC, I've seen the two extremes of the capital structure. I'm really enjoying the impact that you can have as an early stage investor, though it's a bit of a different world than distressed/regular PE. In 5-10 years, I want to be investing in innovative early stage companies in emerging markets. Economic equality and development are passions of mine, and I think deploying capital into the hands of underserved entrepreneurs that are often solving for market failures in their underserved communities is a strong lever to pull for inclusive economic growth

## **Favorite hobby? Or something you picked up during the pandemic?**

It's not quite a hobby yet, but I think it's getting there: Archery. It's something I picked up during the pandemic and have been doing on and off since. I really enjoy the challenge of drawing the string and creating tension, while having to stay as still as possible to aim at the target. It's pretty calming and therapeutic for me.



Yash Chunduru '15  
Former E-Comm Chair

# E-COMM SPOTLIGHT

## **How did you get involved with FS?**

Coming into Stern, I wanted to find a tight-knit community that could not only help me develop my professional skills, but also help me navigate my four years at NYU. After attending general meetings throughout my freshman year, I quickly realized that FS checked off all these boxes. As a result, I decided to apply to E-Comm, and I am happy to say that I have found a strong community and a group of friends that I could rely on for anything – whether that be during the rest of my time at Stern or well after college!

## **What has been your favorite memory from FS so far?**

I really enjoyed meeting everyone in E-Comm at the retreat, which was during the first weekend that I was a part of FS. It was great talking to all the members and learning about their diverse interests and upbringings. The highlight of the night was cooking food with the other members of E-Comm!

## **How has FS been able to help you grow?**

FS helped me develop my knowledge of the technical aspects of the financial services industry. Through the E-Comm program, I have honed my professional and public speaking skills by presenting market updates throughout the semester to general members. However, what I value most is the mentorship I receive from upperclassmen in E-Comm who have already navigated several years in New York and at Stern. With that said, I am looking forward to growing even more with FS moving forward!

## **What do you look forward to in your coming years at NYU?**

I have learned a lot throughout the past semester in FS. Over the next few years, I aim to continue learning as much as I can before I enter the real world. I am also looking forward to being a mentor to incoming underclassmen and hopefully giving back the mentorship I received in my first few years.

## **What are your career interests?**

Learning about various aspects of the financial services industry through FS has helped me realize that I want to pursue a career in investment banking upon graduation. Though I am not sure about my longer-term aspirations yet, I aim to use investment banking as a platform to learn more about different industries.



Krishi Shukla '25  
E-Comm Member

# E-COMM SPOTLIGHT

## How did you get involved with FS?

I attended as many Stern club meetings as possible at the beginning of sophomore year to expand my knowledge on different industries and skills. Something that made FS stand out was how the upperclassmen could simplify complex concepts to over 300 people. I wanted to see myself doing the same thing and helping the Stern community. Despite knowing very little about technical finance concepts, I signed up to meet with some E-Board members and applied for E-Comm.

## What has been your favorite memory from FS?

My favorite memory from FS would have to be retreat my junior fall. Meeting my classmates and former E-Comm chairs after COVID in an informal setting was something that I was definitely looking forward to. We rented a big house in the Hamptons, played games, and cooked some late-night quesadillas. It was a great way to feel welcomed into the community.

## How has FS impacted your time at NYU?

NYU is one of those schools where you truly have to “make” your community rather than it being carved out for you, and being a part of FS has helped me tremendously. Not only was I introduced to a group of driven peers, but I was also given access to mentors who had my back, were able to give great advice, and were always available. Through the many E-Comm meetings, general meetings, and mock interviews I was given the practical knowledge to reach out to almost anyone in the finance industry and have a productive conversation about their journey and experiences.

## What do I look forward to in the remainder of time at NYU?

It blows my mind that graduation is right around the corner. To be honest, I’m really just looking forward to continuing embracing New York City. I would love to visit more restaurants, attend sporting events etc and check things off my bucket list. I am also looking forward to my final Spring season on NYU’s Golf team, and would love to finish that off successfully.

## What are your career interests?

I will be working at Evercore after graduating but I’m not sure about my long term plans. I had the opportunity to work for a lawn care and pool business my sophomore summer, and found the life of a small business owner to be pretty engaging. I got the opportunity to be analytical and be personally involved with employees and customers. I have aspirations to start my own company but this is far less clear-cut.



Charlie Hsieh '23  
Social Chair

# SEMESTER STATISTICS

19

Events

120 Attendees / Event

11

General Meetings

140 Attendees / GM

## Firm Events

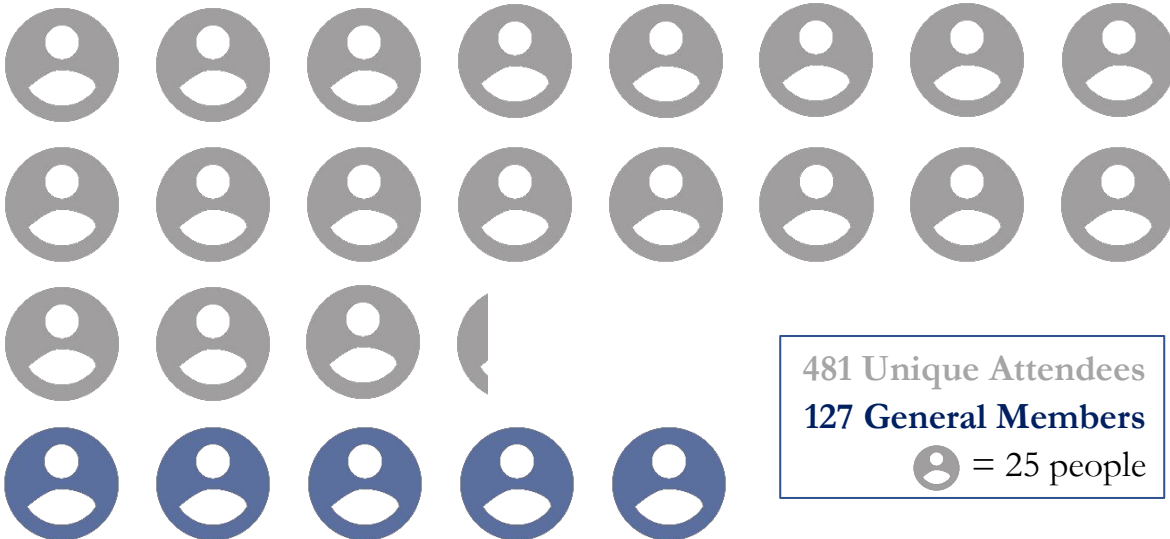
### 5 Firm Events

We introduced Barclays, Blackstone, Evercore, I Squared, and Tidal for this first time in the Fall. We saw an average turnout of 102 attendees/Firm Event

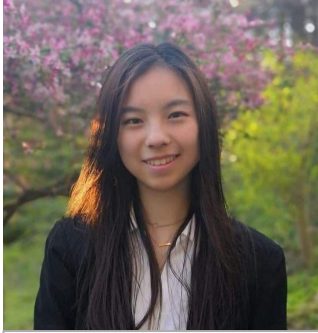
## GM Highlight

### Women In Finance Panel

In partnership with USWIB, we ran a panel with seniors who are women in finance to answer questions about their internships and share about their experiences



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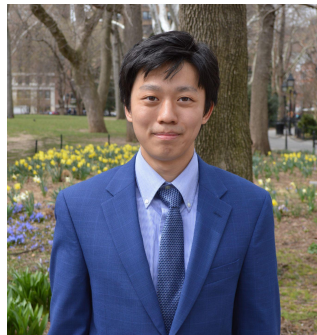
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