Alumni Spotlight



Nick Peckyno is a Sales & Trading Analyst at JP Morgan. Nick graduated from Penn State in 2023 with a bachelor's degree in Finance. During the time he spent at Penn State, Nick served as an Associate Analyst in the Materials Sector and the Lead Analyst of the Healthcare Sector. Nick initially interned at JP Morgan during the Summer of 2022, and he returned full-time starting in the Summer of 2023.

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1. When were you a member of Leveraged Lion Capital and what positions did you hold?

I was a member of LLC from Fall of 2021 to Spring of 2022. During my first semester, I was an Associate Analyst in the Materials Sector. In my second semester, I was the Lead Analyst of the Healthcare Sector. I remained very involved in LLC as a mentor and friend in my final semesters at Penn State.

2. Where do you currently work and what is the role?

I started working as an Investment-Grade Credit Sales Analyst at JP Morgan in August of 2023, servicing clients and helping to provide liquidity in the single name, high grade credit market.

3. What did Leveraged Lion Capital mean to you?

LLC has taught me how to grow up quickly. I have gained many professional and personal skills that I would not have been able to develop in any other class or organization at Penn State. LLC has showed me that if you work hard, ask the right questions, and give your best effort, it will all work out and you will make it. It is not an easy road for any college student; it is truly a grind. Reflecting on my time at PSU, it was a worthwhile pursuit, and I would not have changed anything. One of so many valuable skills LLC has taught me is becoming a confident and charismatic public speaker. Like all LLC members, I was thrown into the fire, and there were many situations that surely got me well out of my comfort zone. I attribute my presenting and public speaking skills to my time in LLC.

4. What is your best advice for current Leveraged Lion Capital members to reach their future goals?

Always take the high road, stay true to yourself. No matter what the situation is, always do the right thing. It is not always easy to take the high road; however, taking the high road will leave you with no regret. Be honest and be yourself. Be the same person no matter who you are talking to. I have never found myself as the smartest kid in the room, but I know that I will work as hard as I possibly can and do the best that I possibly can. WITH A SMILE. Life is too short, produce excellent work, and have fun!