



Sankar Ramesh studied Finance at Penn State from 2019 to 2023. He served as the President of LLC during the 2022 calendar year. For the summer of 2022, he interned at TD Cowen as an Investment Banking Analyst in the Technology group, where he returned full-time.

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Alumni Spotlight: Sankar Ramesh '23

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

I joined LLC in the Spring of 2020 as an Associate Analyst in the Energy sector. I spent two semesters as an associate and one semester as a lead within the sector before serving as the Director of Credit Research and finally as the President of LLC for the 2022 calendar year.

2. *What did Leveraged Lion Capital mean to you when you were on campus?*

LLC was an incredible opportunity to surround myself with talented, hard-working, and motivated people who helped me learn and improve every single day. From career advice to personal friendships, it provided a community where I was able to develop a skill set beyond what was taught in the classroom. LLC's emphasis on technical aptitude, soft skills, and time management proved to be invaluable when starting my internship and eventually full-time role. It also taught me how to learn/think quickly and ask intelligent questions under pressure, while also taking ownership of every single piece of work that I produced. Overall, I could not be prouder to have been a part of LLC and truly believe it is one of the best things a Penn State student can do to set themselves up for success.

3. *What advice do you have for members of Leveraged Lion Capital who are currently recruiting for internships?*

The biggest piece of advice I have is to take advantage of the unique career development opportunities that LLC provides. The Wall Street trip, mentorship program, bank campus visits (and more) give you a chance to get perspective on various career paths and firms from a firsthand perspective. My other piece of advice is to focus on your own path – try to avoid comparing yourself to your peers when going through recruiting. It is often an unpredictable process with twists and turns; trust your abilities/preparation and have a clear rationale of why you are pursuing the firms/roles that you have applied to. Lastly, take the time to learn from juniors and seniors at Penn State who have gone through the recruiting process before. While alumni are always a great resource, sometimes the best advice comes from those who have had these experiences most recently. This is also a great way to practice your networking skills in a more informal setting, allowing you to refine your “pitch” without much-added pressure.