



Alumni Spotlight: Andrew Koziara '20

1. When were you a member of LLC and what positions did you hold?

I was a member of the first analyst class in Leveraged Lion Capital after joining the organization as a second semester freshman. I headed the Industrials sector for a year and a half, then took on the Director of Outreach position to coordinate bank visits and networking events.

2. How did LLC help prepare you for your career?

Leveraged Lion Capital helped me build a foundation within credit investing while gaining a greater understanding of financial markets. I'm fortunate enough that my time in Leveraged Lion Capital acted as a stepping stone into my current role at Fidus, which has helped tremendously in the learning curve.

3. What advice would you give to the new members of LLC?

It's tough to narrow this down, but I'd say take advantage of the social aspect of Leveraged Lion Capital as well as the alumni network. You'll always have upperclassmen and alumni that are happy to talk and answer your questions. Remember that you're all on the same team, so it's the perfect place to make friends that double as your personal network as you progress through Penn State into your professional career. Most importantly, enjoy yourself and have fun! Take advantage of everything Leveraged Lion Capital and Penn State has to offer.

4. What advice would you give to current LLC members for their internships this summer?

It's easy to get stressed out with a lot going on, so focus on what you can control. Show up on time, provide value to your group where you can, and get to know your co-workers on a personal level. Find some time to step back and soak in your once in a lifetime experience.

Andrew is an Analyst at Fidus Capital, focusing on debt and equity investments in lower-middle market companies. Andrew graduated from Penn State in 2020 with a bachelor's degree in Finance. During his time at Penn State, Andrew served as the Lead Analyst of the Industrials sector and was also apart of LLC's first analyst class. He interned with Fidus Partners as an Investment Banking Summer Analyst during the summer of 2019 before moving to Fidus Capital full-time.