



Chris Peckyno studied Finance at Penn State from 2016 to 2019. He served as the Director of Equity Analysis during the 2018 calendar year. For the summer of 2018, he interned at Morgan Stanley as an Institutional Equity Sales and Trading Analyst, where he returned full-time. Chris just began the next chapter of his career, joining Squarepoint Capital's investment and corporate team. Squarepoint, an ~\$80 bn quantitative hedge fund, is renowned for its innovative approach to investing across various asset classes, including equity, fixed income, privates, venture capital, and real estate.

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Alumni Spotlight: Chris Peckyno '19

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

I became a member of LLC in the Spring of 2018, assuming the role of Director of Equity Analysis. Recognizing the importance of a comprehensive market outlook, I focused on enhancing our equity analysis capabilities by conducting market interviews, performing equity valuation analysis, and delivering quality weekly reports. Over two semesters, I dedicated myself to building out this role, developing strong internal fundamental equity knowledge, and contributing to the organization's growth and success.

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

Leveraged Lion Capital was not just an organization for me—it was a transformative experience that shaped both my professional and personal journey. Due to the nature of my role in LLC, the organization instilled in me an entrepreneurial attitude, teaching me to take ownership of every project and initiative. I developed a very entrepreneurial attitude and truly owned every piece of work that I produced. This mindset seamlessly transitioned into my roles at Morgan Stanley and Squarepoint, where I have approached my work with the same level of dedication and ownership.

Beyond the professional growth, LLC provided me with a tight-knit community of like-minded individuals—a community that has become a source of lifelong friendships and unyielding support. It's where I found my future NYC roommates, connected with numerous industry alumni, and, most importantly, met Annie, my now fiancée.

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

My advice is simple: Be yourself. Authenticity is key in every aspect of the recruiting journey, from networking coffee chats to Superday interviews. Remember, everyone has their own unique personality, strengths, and experiences, so embrace what makes you different. Differentiation is key to standing out, so highlight your strengths and pitch yourself convincingly. Practice your 'tell me about yourself' endlessly and relentlessly, ensuring that your passions shine through in your voice and mannerisms. Find your authentic self, emphasize what makes you passionate, and develop a networking strategy that allows it to take center stage throughout your recruiting journey.