

CME GROUP FOUNDATION SCHOLARS

2022-23 School Year

Krystal Aranda

Krystal Aranda will be a senior at the University of Illinois at Chicago, majoring in finance. She grew up in Chicago and graduated from Whitney M. Young Magnet High School. Her interests include playing volleyball, going to concerts, and trying new cuisines.



Azizat Balogun

Azizat Balogun will be a senior at the University of Illinois at Chicago, majoring in Finance. She was born in Chicago but grew up mostly in Lagos, Nigeria, and graduated from Fountain Heights. Her interests include painting, travelling, and digital art. Her career goal is to earn a JD and practice International Finance Law, where she hopes to tailor her legal and financial skills to international development.



Anthony Bañuelos

Anthony Bañuelos will be a 5th year at Illinois Institute of Technology, majoring in Cyber Forensics and Security. He grew up in Chicago and graduated from Lincoln Park High School. His interests include eSports, Baseball, and Spikeball. His career goal is to work within Cyber Defense Response.



Johnny Barrios

Johnny Barrios will be a junior at the University of Illinois at Chicago, majoring in Finance and Management.

Nikki Beulah

Nikki Beulah will be a senior at DePaul University, majoring in Computer Science. She grew up in Bolingbrook and graduated from Downers Grove South. Her interests include watching TV and exploring Chicago. Her career goal is to be find a career that she enjoys doing while also helping others.



Alice Callejas

Alice Callejas will be a senior at University of Illinois at Chicago, majoring in Finance. She grew up in Bensenville and graduated from Fenton High School. Her interests include art, Greek mythology, and music. Her career goal is to further explore finance and narrow down her job search.



Aiko Castrejon

Aiko Castrejon will be a senior at the University of Illinois Chicago, majoring in Accounting. She grew up in Chicago and graduated from Northside College Prep. Her interests include volunteering, travel, and reading. Her career goal is to become a future CPA and tax consultant at a public accounting firm in the Chicagoland area.



Francisco Chavez

Francisco Chavez will be a senior at Illinois Institute of Technology, majoring in Computer Science. He grew up in Joliet and graduated from Joliet Central High School. His interests include fishing and movies. His career goal is to become a software engineer specializing in artificial intelligence.



Issac Deleon

Issac Deleon will be a junior at DePaul University, majoring in Finance. He grew up in Chicago and graduated from Lincoln Park High School. His interests include basketball, football, biking, and running. His career goal is to become a personal financial advisor.



Rob Denman

Rob Denman will be a senior at Loyola University Chicago, majoring in Information Systems Management. He grew up in Elmhurst and graduated from York Community High School. His interests include hanging with friends, exploring Chicago, eating at new restaurants, and learning new life hacks. His career goal is to become a corporate lawyer.



Beemnet Desta

Beemnet Desta will be a senior as of 2022-23 at DePaul University, majoring in Data Science. She grew up in Ethiopia and graduated from School of Tomorrow. Her interests include cooking, reading, and going to the lake. Her career goal is to be a Data Analyst.



Katrina Eggleston

Katrina Eggleston will be a grad student in an accelerated MBA program at Stevens Institute of Technology, pursuing her MBA in Business Intelligence & Analytics. She grew up in Eatontown, NJ and graduated from Communications High School. Her interests include graphic design, fashion, and travel. Her career goal is to be a Product Manager at a company she loves that shares her values.



Monica Guzman

Monica Guzman is a senior at the University of Illinois Chicago, double majoring in Accounting and Finance. She grew up in the Southside of Chicago and graduated from John Hancock College Preparatory High School. Her interests include baking, singing and dancing, being active, and spending time with her friends and family. Her career goal is to start working in public accounting where she will have the opportunity to travel and meet with clients.



Feisal Hassan

Feisal Hassan will be a junior at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, majoring in Computer Science. He graduated from Innovations High School in Chicago. His interests include software engineering, economics, and sports. His career goal is to solve problems as a software engineer.



Sanaa Hill

Sanaa Hill will be a senior at Loyola University Chicago majoring in Marketing and Finance. She grew up in Racine, WI, and graduated from Walden III High School. Her interests include traveling, dancing, and studying fashion retail. Her career goal is to work as a merchandise buyer or planner in the corporate retail industry.



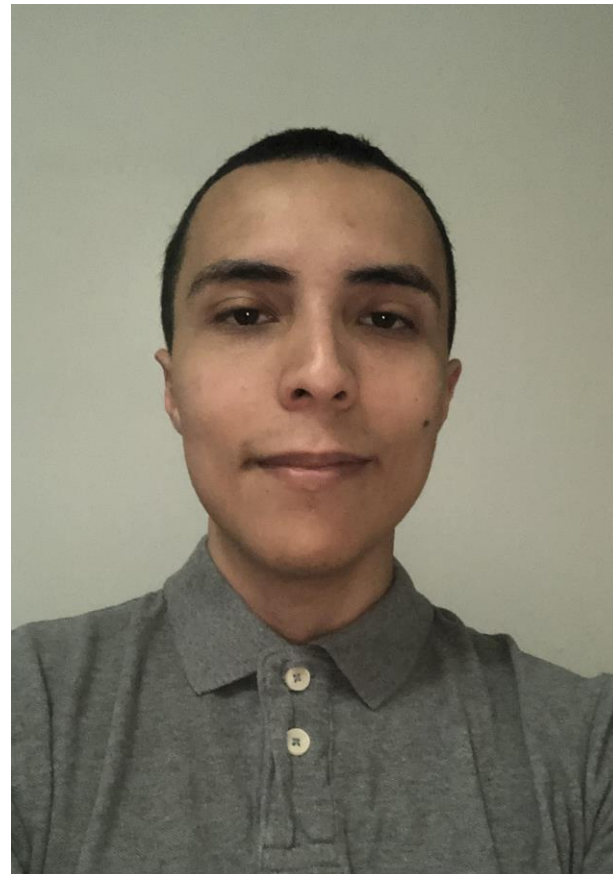
Niya Hitch

Niya Hitch will be a Senior at DePaul University, majoring in Computer Science with a concentration in Software Development. She grew up in Hyattsville, MD and graduated from Northwestern High School. Her interests include music, singing, gaming, programming, and traveling. Her career goal is to become a software engineer and hopefully one day start her own business that provides coding services to other businesses.



Anthony Huerta

Anthony Huerta will be a senior at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, majoring in Computer Science. He grew up in North Riverside and graduated from Riverside | Brookfield High School. His interests include biking, finance, and cooking. His career goal is to work as a software engineer at a large technology company or a company in the financial technology industry.



Klever Inga

Klever Inga will be a senior at the University of Illinois at Chicago, double majoring in Accounting and Finance. He grew up in Chicago and graduated from Northside College Preparatory High School. His interests include playing soccer, playing the saxophone, and the piano. His career goal is to open up his own tax practice and provide tax preparation services to underrepresented communities.



Armani LeSure

Armani LeSure will be a fifth year at Illinois Institute of Technology, majoring in Information Technology and Management. He grew up in Chicago and graduated from Lindblom MSA. His interests include gaming, foreign movies, and metal/electronic music. His career goal is to become an IT Manager.



Jason Malonga

Jason Malonga will be a grad student at DePaul University, majoring in Finance. He grew up in Bolingbrook, Illinois and graduated from Benet Academy. His interests include playing basketball and spending time with family. His career goal is to open a school in Africa.

Na'im Muhammad

Na'im Muhammad will be a fourth-year student at the Illinois Institute of Technology, majoring in Computer Science and Information Technology Management. He grew up in Chicago and graduated from Gwendolyn Brooks College Preparatory Academy. His interests include tinkering with technology hardware and educating others on how best to utilize new technologies in their daily and professional lives. His career goal is to help revolutionize diversity and representation in technology-related fields, setting the standard for how to best include more underrepresented gender and racial identities in the conversations surrounding our technological advancements.



Noah Munoz

Noah Munoz will be a sophomore at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, majoring in finance and information systems. He grew up in Streamwood, IL and graduated from Elgin High School. His interests include going to the gym. His career goal is to find fulfillment somewhere within the finance field working with technology.



Ariel Nudman

Ariel Nudman will be a senior at Loyola University Chicago, majoring in Accounting. He grew up in Chicago and graduated from Ida Crown Jewish Academy. His interests include running, basketball, and watersports. His career goal is to become a managing director or partner at an accounting/consulting firm.



Emmanuella Nwokenkwo

Emmanuella Nwokenkwo will be a senior at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, majoring in Finance. She grew up in South Holland, IL and graduated from Thornwood High School. Her interests include reading novels and playing poker with friends. Her career goal is to work in Venture Capital.



Aiah Radwan

Aiah Radwan will be a senior at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, majoring in Finance. She grew up in Urbana Illinois and graduated from Urbana High School. Her interests include cooking, playing sports such as basketball and soccer and spending time with friends and family. Her career goal is to help others and find a career in finance she can grow in as a person and individual for the long run.

Noelle Robinson

Noelle Robinson will be a senior at the University of Illinois at Chicago, majoring in Information Decision Science and Finance. She grew up in Chicago and graduated from Mizzou Academy. Her interests include researching/reading about new things, cooking from scratch, and teaching young adults about finance. Her career goal is to use information and data in a meaningful way to improve business processes in the financial services industry.



Juan Rodriguez

Juan Rodriguez will be a junior at the University of Illinois at Chicago, majoring in Accounting and Finance. He grew up in Streamwood and graduated from Streamwood High School. His interests include soccer, running, and film. His career goal is to become a CPA and work for one of the big 4 accounting firms and hopefully move up in the company over the years. Additionally, he would also like to start his own businesses in order to have more financial freedom.



Jackie Santiago

Jackie Santiago is a senior at the University of Illinois at Chicago, double majoring in Information Decisions Sciences and Management. She grew up in Mexico but came back to the States in 2016 and graduated from Farragut Career Academy High School. Her interests include exploring new places and tasting new foods. Her career goal is to work for a big tech company as a product manager or a business analyst.



Gretel Trejo

Gretel Trejo will be a junior at the University of Illinois at Chicago, majoring in Accounting and Finance. She grew up in Mexico and graduated from Morton East Highschool. Her interests include running, traveling and trying new foods. Her career goal is to become a CPA and work in audit.



Jovad Uribe

Jovad Uribe will be a senior at the University of Illinois at Chicago majoring in Data Science. He grew up in Chicago and graduated from Lane Technical College Preparatory. His interests include poker, paintball, and trading. He will be joining Wells Fargo as a Sales and Trading Analyst next year.



