

Daniel Chen

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EDUCATION

The Ohio State University, Max M. Fisher College of Business

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Specializations: Economics, Philosophy | **SAT:** 1520

- **Maximus Scholarship:** Scholarship awarded to top 3% of incoming students based on academic achievement
- **Fisher Futures:** 1 of 35 students in faculty-selected program that educates students on financial modeling and valuation for IB
- **Investment Banking Program:** Rigorous 15-week program on fundamental investment banking principles and practices

Columbus, OH

May 2027

GPA: 3.84/4.00

WORK EXPERIENCE

Ducera Partners

Incoming 2026 Investment Banking Summer Analyst

- Restructuring, Special Situations, M&A

New York, NY

June 2026 – August 2026

The Ohio State University

BUS-MHR 2292 (Business Environment & Skills) Teaching Assistant

- Co-lead 40+ students in 1-2 weekly recitation sections for a required course for all Fisher College of Business undergraduates

Columbus, OH

August 2025 – Present

Copper Run

Investment Banking Summer Analyst

- Developed 10+ Python web-scrapers (Selenium, BeautifulSoup) that utilize parallel processes, autonomously crawls websites, bypass Cloudflare, extract property data into CSV with full pagination coverage, and built-in rate limiting to prevent timeouts
- Created deal-volume/size, multiple/valuation, and Rule-of-40 charts, which are now Copper Run's standard TMT pitch template
- Built an automatic income statement to P&L tool allowing analysts to give management-ready valuations for live deals in seconds

Columbus, OH

May 2025 – August 2025

AHV Associates

Investment Banking Summer Analyst

- Built an Excel database tracking 4,000+ hospitality & real-estate M&A/IPOs creating two industry reports and precedent/comps analyses that powered marketing materials for two sell-side mandates (teasers, CIMs, etc.)

London, UK

June 2024 – August 2024

Selected Transaction Experience:

- *Project Zadar – €70M Mezzanine Debt Funding for Croatian Villas:* Analyzed integrated cash flow and funding schedules, OpCo valuation model and 4 P&Ls, projected financials, and consolidated statements for analysts

Visionary

Founder, Chief Executive Officer

- Bootstrapped and exited high school marketing business to a \$10M+ valuation in 2 years reaching \$1M ARR in 14 months
- Launched 15+ team in-house studio that designed branded Roblox and Fortnite maps, driving traffic to social channels
- Drove over 1B+ game visits and 80M+ TikTok views, improving conversion by ~20% through social media content production
- Secured 20+ partnerships including Adidas, BiC, Man City F.C., Nicki Minaj, Nickelodeon, Sour Patch Kids, SpongeBob

Cincinnati, OH

August 2021 – September 2023

ACTIVITIES & LEADERSHIP

Dorm Room Fund

Investor Fellow

- Pre-seed fund backed by a16z, First Round Capital, and Pear VC; portfolio includes: Cursor, Shield AI, POSH, dandy, and more
- Participated in weekly calls, staying informed on VC trends gaining insights into the industry through industry practitioners

San Francisco, CA

June 2025 – July 2025

Recalc Academy

Finance Accelerator Fellow

- 1 of 60 selected for a six-week finance boot camp with emphasis on buy-side investing and investment banking

Austin, TX

January 2025 – March 2025

Buckeye Restructuring Club

Co-Founder

- Lead weekly sessions for 40+ members on distressed debt, bankruptcy and restructuring case studies across industries
- Designed club's website and ideated interview process to assess candidate interest and commitment to restructuring and credit

Columbus, OH

August 2024 – Present

Buckeye Capital Investors

Managing Director: Media and Communications Sector

- Directed 2 stock pitches (\$T & \$GRND) for Scarlet Alpha Management Fund, a student portfolio managed by organization
- Lead weekly media and communications sector by teaching members about recent M&A, general trends, and industry overview

Columbus, OH

January 2024 – Present

Buckeye Ventures

Vice President of Outreach, Private Equity Associate: TMT

- Direct weekly meetings on VC & PE strategies; created 3-statement, DCF, and LBO models for a mock take-private (\$YETI)

Columbus, OH

September 2023 – Present

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Technical Abilities: Bloomberg, Capital IQ, Excel, HTML, PowerPoint, Python, Wall Street Prep Financial & Valuation Modeling

Languages: English (native), Mandarin (native), Spanish (proficient)

Interests: Cello, Football (watching the Bengals lose), Gaming (Clash Royale, Siege, Valorant), Phi Chi Theta, Standup, VFX Editing