

Filip Zaleski

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FORMAL EDUCATION

NYU Stern School of Business & NYU Shanghai

New York City, Shanghai

- M.S.: Quantitative Finance

May 2026-May 2027

- A program bridging my economics and data analytics foundation with advanced finance theory across portfolio management, derivatives, fixed income, and quantitative forecasting methods. Includes 9 months in Shanghai from Sept. 2026.
- Notable courses: *Stochastic Modelling & Simulation*, *Corporate Finance*, *Advanced Portfolio Management*, *Debt Instruments*, *Volatility Modeling*, *Futures & Options*, *Chinese Financial Markets*.

University of Toronto

Toronto, Canada

- B.A.: Economics Major (Focus in Data Analytics), Political Science Major

2021-2025

- Notable courses: [Economics:] *Big-Data Tools for Economists*, *Financial Economics*, *Time Series and Forecasting Econometrics*, *Econometrics II* [Math:] *Linear Algebra I/II*, *Multivariable Calculus*, *Elements of Analysis*.
- EXCHANGE SEMESTER (5m-2023): University of Melbourne, Australia. This unforgettable experience has challenged me with an alternate academic system, developed my global connections and friendships, and enhanced my cultural perspectives.

The British School Warsaw

Warsaw, Poland

- International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma

2020-2021

- 40/45 points obtained (including 100% *Theory of Knowledge* grade).

CERTIFICATES

Advanced Valuation with Aswath Damodaran (NYU Stern)

May 2024

- Mastered DCF, dividend discount, and comparable company valuation frameworks under Professor Damodaran; applied learnings directly to an independent valuation report on Novo Nordisk. Gained exposure to S&P Cap IQ, Moody's, and more.

EXPERIENCE

Innova Capital

Warsaw, Poland

- Private Equity Off-Cycle Intern

January-March 2026

- Built Excel valuation models for portfolio company reports and conducted independent comparable company, precedent transaction, and sector analysis to support deal teams.
- Used LSEG, MergerMarket, PitchBook, and EMIS extensively to source market intelligence. Prepared internal as well as investor-focused presentation materials communicating fund performance and strategic positioning.

UBS

Zurich, Switzerland

- Summer Intern – Internal Audit; Third Party Risk Management

July-August 2025

- Tested controls and documented audit findings on third-party risk; performed Excel data analysis to identify risk patterns and developed Python scripts to automate recurring reporting tasks.
- Reviewed vendor contracts and risk assessments against UBS standards; assisted in drafting audit observations for senior stakeholders and researched regulatory requirements to support audit planning.

Young Think [Think Tank]

Warsaw, Poland

- Co-Founder, Head of Speakers Outreach Team

Since June 2024

- Alongside World Bank Economist Marcin Piatkowski and several ambitious young Poles from across the globe, we are fostering global in-person and remote discussions on the critical challenges facing Poland in the coming years and decades.
- Leading speaker relations for the Policy Briefs Health 2026 programme — identifying, vetting, and recruiting senior experts from academia, medicine, and public policy to mentor student researchers and speak at culminating conferences. For this year's edition, secured 19 mentors and specialists across public health, digital governance, and clinical medicine.

Eurolpan Group [Real Estate]

Warsaw, Poland

- Summer Intern – Financial Analysis

May-July 2023

- Worked alongside the firm's CFO on strategic financial analysis, leading a client segmentation project that generated insights into customers, sales strategies, and future investment priorities.
- Built Excel and Power BI dashboards using Power Query to structure and visualize data; delivered financial presentations with actionable recommendations to senior management.

PROJECTS

(1) *Give People Housing and They Will Have Kids; House Prices and Fertility across U.S. Counties, 2000–2023.* **Author**, April 2025

- Examined how rising housing costs depress fertility, showing affordability as the key driver of demographic decline, particularly in urban areas. Developed a market sentiment index via Random Forest to enhance my analysis. Selected as one of the best Economics undergraduate papers of 2024/25. Presented findings at [5th Economics Tech E-Conference](#). [Link](#).

(2) *Valuation Report: Novo Nordisk.*

Author, May 2024

- Built DCF & relative valuation models indicating Novo's shares were 30–60% overvalued despite exceptional growth fundamentals. [Link](#). *Other projects available on my website*.

SKILLS, ACTIVITIES, & INTERESTS

- Languages: Polish (native), English (fluent), Spanish (advanced), French (beginner).
- Technical: Python (advanced), Excel & Power BI (advanced), R Studio (intermediate), STATA (basic), SQL (basic).
- Finance: (1) Stock Valuation (DCF, D-D, CCA), (2) Market Forecasting (GARCH, VAR, 2SLS, ML), (3) Financial Accounting.
- Sports: kickboxing (17 years; former competitive junior fighter), wind/kitesurfing (12 years), skiing & snowboarding (15 years).
- Music: Acoustic/electric guitar player of 15 years, piano player of 6 years with interest in classical and jazz music.