

Talen Butler

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EDUCATION

University of Iowa | Tippie College of Business

Anticipated May 2026

B.B.A. in Finance & Corporate Accounting (*4.0 GPA*)

- HawkTrade, Applied AI in Business & Beyond, Intramurals
- CFA Society Chicago: Student-Member

EXPERIENCE

Krause Fund | Equity Research Analyst

August 2025 - Present

- The Krause Fund (tippie.uiowa.edu/krause) is a \$930K student-managed equity portfolio
- Responsible for industry and company research in the Consumer Staples sector and for building robust financial models using discounted cash flow, economic profit, relative valuation, and dividend discount analyses
- Present Buy/Sell recommendations to the Fund's advisory board and work with the Krause Fund research team to determine final selection and portfolio weightings

Deepvue | Market Data Research Intern

May 2025 - August 2025

- Analyzed dozens of financial statements and helped drive Deepvue's transition from GAAP to Non-GAAP earnings logic, improving clarity for investor workflows
- Resolved 100+ data issues across filings and charting tools; validated ADR market caps, share conversions, 200+ GICS classifications, and corporate actions like dividends, splits, IPOs, and delistings
- Delivered real-time and historical research across equities, sectors, and macro trends to support investor-facing features; recommended new metrics for valuation and peer comparisons

Blanca Graciela, Inc. | Junior Investment Analyst

January 2024 - May 2025

- Led a research project analyzing 24 model growth stocks using William O'Neil's original notes, culminating in a one-hour presentation to external hedge fund managers
- Conducted techno-fundamental analysis on IPOs and liquid growth stocks; prepared weekly market reports

Anderson, Lower, Whitlow, P.C. | Tax Preparation Intern

February 2024 - April 2024

- Prepared individual tax returns for 2–3 clients daily, ensuring compliance, accuracy, and continuous learning through weekly tax law and software training

RESEARCH

CFA Investment Research Challenge | Participant

November 2025 - Present

- Working with a four-member team to represent the University of Iowa in the CFA Research Challenge
- Conducting a full equity valuation and investment thesis on O'Reilly Automotive (ORLY)

Wall Street Prep | M&A/LBO Modeling Seminar | Financial Statement/DCF Seminar

February 2025- October 2025

- Built an LBO model focused on key cash flow levers to optimize investor returns
- Developed a pro forma 3-statement model; created a DCF model based on projections; analyzed 10-K's

CERTIFICATIONS & SKILLS

- FINRA Securities Industry Essentials (SIE) Candidate: Winter 2025
- CFA Investment Foundations
- Bloomberg Market Concepts
- Technical Skills: Excel, MS Office Suite, Bloomberg, FactSet, Data Visualization

PERSONAL INTERESTS

Personal Portfolio (*FundSeeder verified account*) | Martial Arts (*Volunteer Instructor at QC Family Martial Arts*) | Soccer (*Collegiate Athlete*) | Travel | Asian Cuisine | Learning Mandarin | Fluent in Hokkien- Chinese