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EXPERIENCE

Trillium Trading (Proprietary Trading Firm)

September 2024 – Present

Trader

New York, NY

- Manage an intraday U.S. equities book with \$500,000 in buying power, synthesizing Level 2 order flow, tape, technical charts, and real-time news to execute discretionary trades and manage risk.
- Run an asymmetric, catalyst-driven book — average winning day roughly twice the average losing day — concentrating maximum size into a few high-conviction setups while capping risk to a single lockout per ticker.
- Built a proprietary Bloomberg-style market-news feed with Claude-assisted development, web scrapers, and language-model APIs that shaves critical seconds off intra-trade information processing.
- Built a personal operating system (Atomic Habits framework) plus trade-prep and review tooling — a notes aggregator that cuts ~2 hours of daily note-taking and an AI coach that flags behavioral patterns from daily report cards.
- Mentored four junior traders on setups, risk rules, habit formation, and structured review; all four subsequently recorded multiple consecutive profitable months during their first year of trading.

Selected Trades

Short TSLA — Trump–Musk public feud (June 5, 2025): +\$23,283 on a \$1,000 lockout

- Read Tesla's record-high valuation as resting on the Musk–Trump alliance, so treated Musk's attack on the OBBB as the bull case cracking; anticipating an ego-driven response, mapped retaliation and reconciliation scenarios in advance and waited to short on Trump's remarks.
- Took three independent max-size short entries, one per escalating catalyst — Oval Office remarks, Musk digging in, the Epstein-files allegation — each with a rules-based exit, as the feud erased ~\$152B (~14%).

Short GLD — Gold's record volatility reversal (January 29, 2026): +\$14,531 on a \$1,500 lockout

- With gold gapping up a third straight session to all-time highs (~\$5,600/oz), prepared a defined-risk reversal short atypical of a momentum setup, anchoring risk to VWAP and the prior high and taking max size against one lockout.
- Used the gold volatility index rolling over from record highs to confirm upside momentum was exhausting, corroborated the read across the pod, and held to the bounce off capitulatory selling lows as gold flushed ~\$380 (~7%) in 30 minutes.

Long RH — Vietnam “tariffs to zero” reversal (April 4, 2025): +\$13,851 on a \$500 lockout

- After the April 2 “Liberation Day” tariffs, built a country-by-country map pairing each rate with its most exposed equities; flagged RH — down ~40% on a weak print plus tariff exposure — as the most beaten-down Vietnam-sourcing name.
- When Trump posted Vietnam's offer to cut tariffs “to ZERO,” recognized within seconds that it removed RH's largest overhang while panicked participants sat offside; executed the prepared thesis with a rules-based exit.

TicketKings (Ticket-Resale Marketplace)

June 2026 – Present

Operations & Buying Consultant

Miami, FL

- Built a Claude-powered dashboard for a 20-person ticket-resale business to visualize inventory and track sell-through metrics, giving the team a real-time read to drive buy-and-sell decisions; scoped a sell-through timing model.
- Collaborated on-site on live buying decisions during launch week, including the Gracie Abrams and The Chicks ticket drops.
- Advise the team on buying across the EDM and dance-music market, applying firsthand domain expertise to flag mispriced inventory and demand trends.

Publicis Sapient (Digital Transformation Co.)

June 2023 – August 2023

Product Management Intern

New York, NY

- Owned all product deliverables for a cross-functional intern capstone built on Suncor's business needs — user stories, PRD, and roadmap — and ran daily standups to coordinate the engineering team.
- Managed sprint planning in Jira and Confluence and prototyped in Figma, translating requirements into a prioritized backlog.
- Partnered with engineers to deliver a full-stack digital prototype, iterating on features through continuous stakeholder feedback.

EDUCATION

Duke University

May 2024

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

GPA: 3.4

- Awards:** Air Force ROTC Full Scholarship, Academic and Physical Excellence Awards, and Dean's List with Distinction.
- Extracurriculars:** Duke Men's Varsity Cheer (Founding Member, Cheer Leadership Council), Duke Sports Analytics Club, and Duke FinTech Club.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Skills:** Vibe Coding, Python, Java, C, SQL, Microsoft Excel and VBA, Bloomberg, and Level 2 Order-Book & Tape Reading.
- Certifications:** Akuna Capital Options 101/201, Algorithmic Trading (QuantConnect), and AZ-900 Azure Fundamentals.
- Interests:** DJing and Electronic Music Mixing, Live Events, Financial Markets, Beli, Sportsbook Arbitrage, and Social Golf.