

Benjamin Young

Personal Information

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Education

Esade Business & Law School, Ramon Llull University Barcelona, Spain
Master in Business Administration (Full-time MBA) 08/24-05/26
North American Excellence Scholarship Recipient
Finance Career Acceleration Program, M&A, Business Analytics

South Dakota State University Brookings, South Dakota, USA
Bachelor of Science - Sports Medicine 08/08-05/13

Professional Experience

Department of Defense Anchorage, Alaska, USA
Defense 11/16-10/24
Budget Officer - Alaska National Guard 08/23-10/24

- Performed financial analysis across \$130M+ in annual expenditures, identifying \$3M in potential savings and improved allocation efficiency across 23 directorates
- Led redesign of financial documentation system, improving audit readiness from 70% to nearly 100%
- Forecasted year-end expenditures within 2% variance, supporting strategic financial planning for future fiscal years
- Collaborated w/ 6 federal entities and 3 military branches to revise financial workflows and align financial systems

Budget Analyst - Alaska National Guard 11/20-08/23

- Provided internal consulting to 6+ directorates and inter-branch partners, advising on financial system implementation and compliance; reduced processing time by 40% through training and workflow optimization
- Automated weekly budget reports via a Power BI dashboard, cutting reporting errors by 40% and freeing up 15 analyst hours per month
- Mentored junior analysts, reinforcing own knowledge and fostering a continuous learning environment
- Performed scenario analysis to guide procurement decisions, balancing risk with resource availability

Operations Manager - United States Army 11/14-11/23

- Designed and implemented a Power BI tracking system monitoring 25+ training metrics for 550 soldiers, enabling real-time oversight and raising compliance and readiness rates to 90%
- Systemized non-routine materials delivery schedule in Afghanistan for barracks construction project, contributed to completing \$2 million barracks project three months early
- Led a team of 26 soldiers in Afghanistan, completing over 70 combat missions with a focus on strategic execution

North Coast Craftsman Anchorage, Alaska, USA
Real Estate 07/19-Present
Owner

- Acquired and managed a portfolio of 4 properties (9 units total), generating a 43% increase in rental income over three years through renovations and active tenant management
- Maintained 100% tenant occupancy by sourcing and managing tenant relationships
- Established a streamlined property management system, diminishing personal workload 90%, and delivered a structured framework for property managers to follow

Languages & Digital Skills

English (native), German (Advanced), French (Intermediate)

C++ (Intermediate), SQL (Intermediate), MS Office, MS Excel, MS Power BI, General Fund Enterprise Business System

Additional Information

- Volunteer - Camino Project - Established a nonprofit to support veterans in walking the Camino de Santiago
- Volunteer - Gold Star Peak Foundation - Volunteered time as certified mountain guide.
- Finished 800-kilometer Camino de Santiago across Northern Spain
- United States Secret Security Clearance
- Solid understanding of full-stack engineering, including REST APIs, deployment, and database integration
- Built and deployed full-stack web applications using Windsurf and Vercel, to gain hands-on experience in programming, backend architecture, and frontend design