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Citizen and Passport Holder (USA)
Permanent Resident Visa Holder (Germany)

EXPERIENCE

EDUCATION

PHD, DOCTORATE IN FINANCE

Cummulative Thesis: Timing and Performance in
Private Equity & Buy-and-Build
HHL Leipzig Graduate School of
Management (Expected: 2026)

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN TAXATION BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ACCOUNTING & CONTROLLING

Top in Class; GPA 3.9 of 4.0
University of North Texas (2010, 2012)

CERTIFICATIONS

Data Science Principles
Harvard Business School
Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE)**
Certified Internal Auditor (CIA)**
Certified Public Accountant (CPA)**
State of N. Carolina | License #40495

LANGUAGES

1st: English (Native, C2*)
3rd: German (Fluent & Refining, C1*)
2nd: Spanish & 4th: Portuguese (Learner, A1*)

SR. DIRECTOR

DIRECTOR

SR. INTERNAL AUDITOR & CONSULTANT

Bertelsmann SE. Co. KGaA
Revenue ~€20 & EBITDA ~€3 B/Year
GICS® Industry Group: Media & Entertainment (5020)
2016 — present

BERTELSMANN



ADJUNCT PROFESSOR

Lancaster University, Leipzig Branch
GICS® Industry: Education Services (253020)
2023 — 2024



RESEARCHER

Leipzig Graduate School of Management
GICS® Industry: Education Services (253020)
2023 — 2024



HEAD OF FINANCE & CONTROLLING (DEPUTY CFO)

SR. FINANCIAL ANALYST

Sonopress USA
Revenue ~\$70 M/Year
GICS® Sub-Industry: Electronic Components (20105010)
2013 — 2016



FINANCIAL ANALYST

Arvato USA
Revenue ~\$200 M/Year
GICS® Sub-Industry: Electronic Components (20105010)
2012 — 2013



M&A ASSOCIATE

Waterview Investment Banking
GICS® Sub-Industry: Investment Banking & Brokerage (40203020)
2012



TAX PRACTICE

Ernst & Young
GICS® Industry Group: Diversified Financials (4020)
2011



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* Levels given are estimates, certificates not always available

** Certificate is available, active and in good standing