

WALL STREET SCHOLARS

NEWSLETTER | SUMMER 2026



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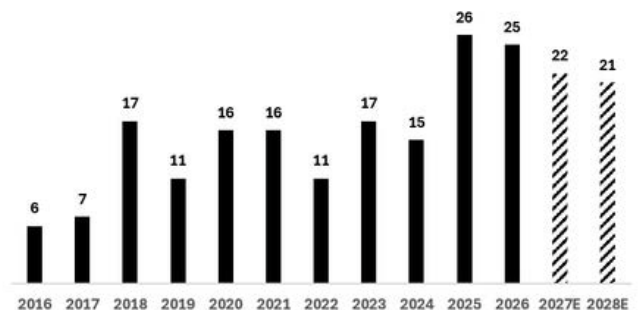
BY THE NUMBERS

24 Graduates entering revenue-generating roles

86 Active WSSP students in '25-'26 school year

167 WSSP Alumni since inception

Scholars By Graduation Year



Jefferies



Morgan Stanley

GUGGENHEIM



Davidson Kempner
Capital Management LP

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RAYMOND JAMES

CENTERVIEW PARTNERS

J.P.Morgan

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Finance

ELLER COLLEGE OF MANAGEMENT WALL STREET SCHOLARS A LETTER FROM JEFF



Alumni & Supporters,

It was a successful year for the program, in terms of attracting excellent members, engaging with alumni, and of course, outcomes. We are happy to share two program updates that will position us to continue as a premier high finance preparation program.

Adapting to Earlier Recruiting

To keep pace with recruiting timelines, we made a deliberate structural change this year: we are no longer admitting new sophomores to the program, as earlier recruiting demands earlier preparation.

In place of sophomore admission, we expanded freshman outreach significantly. In the '25-'26 school year, we held three application cycles (October, February, and April) and actively recruited across campus all year. 34 rising sophomores are currently engaged in guided study: working through curriculum, attending periodic live lessons, participating in one-on-one check-ins, and completing mock interviews. When they return in the fall, each student will interview for the Associate Program.

This structure allows us to hit the ground running in August rather than waiting until October to begin.

This shift also allows us to conduct our **New York City networking** trip from October 27th–29th, 2026.

Expanding the Capital Markets Track

This summer, 12 members are beginning internships or full-time roles in Asset Management or Private Wealth Management - a reflection of growing student interest in these fields. In response, we have split the Associate Level Capital Markets track into two distinct tracks: (1) Sales, Trading & Research and (2) Asset & Wealth Management. The change allows students to spend more time on the technical topics most relevant to their specific path.

Both tracks will continue to meet jointly each week to discuss markets and market-moving events, then separately to cover role-specific content. The Sales, Trading & Research track will be led by Scholar Declan Buss, and the Asset & Private Wealth Management track will be led by Scholar Matthew Benson.

We appreciate your continued support and hope you enjoy this newsletter.

Sincerely,
Jeff Welter & the students of the Wall Street Scholars Program

ELLER COLLEGE OF MANAGEMENT WALL STREET SCHOLARS CONGRATS GRADUATES



Wall Street Scholars Class of 2026



ELLER FINANCE DEPARTMENT MAY '26 AWARD WINNERS



**AUSTIN
ELBERG**

OUTSTANDING
SENIOR



**DIVYA
BHARADWAJ**

FIELDING-SINGH
AWARD



**TRAVIS
GRAMM**

FIELDING-SINGH
AWARD



**TESS
PATTON**

FIELDING-SINGH
AWARD



**GRACELYNN
WIEST**

FIELDING-SINGH
AWARD

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WELCOME '26-'27 ASSOCIATE DIRECTORS



MATT MALEDON
PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Hometown: Phoenix, AZ

Summer '26: Alvarez & Marsal

Group: Restructuring

Major: Finance

Involvements: Phi Gamma Delta Treasurer, Endowment Fund '24-'25 Tech Sector Head

Fun Fact: Self-taught in guitar and oil painting



INSHA KHAN
INVESTMENT BANKING
DIRECTOR

Hometown: Indore, India

Summer '26: RBC Capital Markets

Group: Real Estate, Gaming, and Lodging

Major: Finance & Business Analytics

Involvements: Student Lead at the Finance Strategy & Solutions office, Investments Club

Fun Fact: Skydived in LA to conquer fear of heights



MATTHEW BENSON
ASSET & WEALTH
MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Hometown: Spokane, Washington

Summer '26: JP Morgan Private Bank

Group: Morgan Single Coverage

Major: Finance

Involvements: Phi Gamma Delta, Investments Club, Endowment Fund

Fun Fact: Has 2 family members in the Rodeo HOF



DECLAN BUSS
SALES, TRADING, &
RESEARCH DIRECTOR

Hometown: Omaha, NE

Summer '26: Truist Securities

Group: Home Building

Major: Finance

Involvements: Endowment Fund Sector Head (Utilities), Financial Modeling Club, Phi Delta Theta

Fun Fact: Won State Track & Field 300m Hurdles

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WELCOME '26-'27 ANALYST DIRECTORS



LUKE BONAIME
INVESTMENT BANKING
CO-DIRECTOR

Hometown: Tucson, AZ
Summer '27: RBC Capital Markets
Group: TBD
Major: Finance
Involvements: FMC President, ELB VP, Alpha Kappa Psi VP of Admin, Excel E-Sports President
Fun Fact: Can solve a Rubiks Cube



BIJAN RAZAGHI
INVESTMENT BANKING
CO-DIRECTOR

Hometown: Scottsdale, AZ
Summer '26: J.P. Morgan Private Bank Fellow
Group: N/A
Major: Accounting
Involvements: Sigma Alpha Epsilon President, Student Mobilization, Endowment Fund
Fun Fact: Led a service project in remote Belize



KAYA NEALIS
CAPITAL MARKETS
CO-DIRECTOR

Hometown: Snoqualmie, WA
Summer '27: RBC Capital Markets
Group: Sales & Trading
Major: Finance & Business Economics
Involvements: Investments Club Markets Director, Endowment Fund, AZ Wellness Society, Stumo
Fun Fact: Visited 41 countries & speaks 4 languages



BRENDAN DOEBEL
CAPITAL MARKETS
CO-DIRECTOR

Hometown: Chicago, IL
Summer '27: BMO Capital Markets
Group: Sales & Trading
Major: Finance
Involvements: UA Men's Rugby, Energy Sector Head of Student Managed Investment Portfolio
Fun Fact: Has traveled to 56 countries

ELLER COLLEGE OF MANAGEMENT WALL STREET SCHOLARS ALUMNI ON CAMPUS



Big thanks to the many alumni who returned to campus to engage with students this year. Below are pictures of just a few. Let us know if you're planning a trip to Tucson - we'd love to host you.



Fabio Mire visits with new members in October '25



David Lyon grabs lunch at Gentle Ben's with incoming J.P. Morgan seniors in October '25

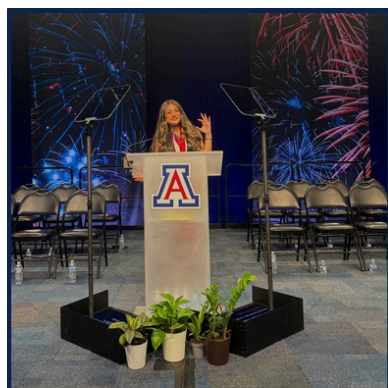


Tyler Worden, Kevin Chai, Claire O'Connor, Jewel Brundrett, Chris Sutherland, and Harrison Garcia have dinner with students in Scottsdale in February '26



Melissa Rose meets with students at Eller in March '26

ELLER COLLEGE OF MANAGEMENT WALL STREET SCHOLARS MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS



Sasha Sood '26
delivers Eller's
graduation speech
in McKale Center



Tess Patton ('26)
and team earn 2nd
Place in Microsoft
Excel Collegiate
Challenge. Tess
earned 21st place
individual
worldwide



Corbin Wadsworth '26,
Tess Patton '26,
Sasha Sood '26 &
Nick Horonenko '26
take 1st Place in CFA
Research Challenge -
Desert Region



Brendan Doebel '28,
Max Starikov '29,
Andrew Rogers '28, &
Josh Furtek '28
compete in the Texas
Energy Trading Case
Competition in Austin,
TX



Brendan Doebel '28
and **Isaac Llenas '28**
attend British
Petroleum's Early
Talent Trading
Program in Chicago



Adina Dixon '28, Divya
Bharadwaj '26 and
Prithika Chauhan '29
attend the Girls into
VC Summit at Harvard
University

ELLER COLLEGE OF MANAGEMENT WALL STREET SCHOLARS LEADERS ACROSS CAMPUS



WSSP students hold leadership roles in a variety of student organizations across campus.
2025-2026 leadership positions:

ELLER LEADERSHIP BOARD

Luke Bonaimé '28 (Fundraising Chair)

BOBCATS SENIOR HONORARY

Bardia Mostafizi '26 (President)

ELLER COLLEGE DEAN'S COUNCIL

Austin Elberg '26 (President)

Sasha Sood '26 (VP of Finance)

Annika Solanky '27

Zoe Portewig '28

STUDENT MANAGED INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO

Gracelynn Wiest '26 (Fund Director)

Austin Elberg '26 (Healthcare Sector Head)

Jake Hays '26 (Utilities Sector Head)

Declan Buss '27 (Energy Sector Head)

Matthew Benson '27 (Real Estate Sector Head)

Joshua Furtek '27 (Financials Sector Head)

Matt Maledon '27 (Technology Sector Head)

Luke Bonaimé '28 (Real Estate Sector Head)

Adina Dixon '28 (Consumer Discretionary Sector Head)

Caleb Grommeck '28 (Technology Sector Head)

Andrew Rogers '28 (Consumer Staples Sector Head)

PROFESSIONAL WOMEN IN BUSINESS

Divya Bharadwaj '26 (VP of Membership)

TAMID

Talia Boyle '26 (Student Advisor)

INVESTMENTS CLUB

Travis Gramm '26 (President)

Austin Elberg '26 (Treasurer)

Peyton Cloutier '26 (Women In Finance Director)

Jack Dyer '27 (Markets Co-Director)

Josh Furtek '27 (Markets Co-Director)

Reagan Messner '27 (Women In Finance Deputy)

Kaya Nealis '28 (VP of Communications)

EXCEL E-SPORTS CLUB

Samuel Ojum '28 (Co-President)

Luke Bonaimé '28 (Co-President)

GIRLS INTO VC

Divya Bharadwaj '26 (Founder & President)

Adina Dixon '28 (VP of Membership)

FINANCIAL MODELING CLUB

Tess Patton '26 (President)

Adelle Nkeze '27 (FESO Chair)

Luke Bonaimé '28 (Vice President)

Caleb Grommeck '28 (Director of Membership)

Corban Chavez '28 (Director of Communication)

Zoe Portewig '28 (Director of Outreach)

DELTA SIGMA PI BUSINESS FRATERNITY

Caleb Grommeck '28 (VP of Professional Activities)

PHI GAMMA NU BUSINESS FRATERNITY

Tess Patton '26 (President)

ELLER ECONOMICS SOCIETY

Matthew Benson '27 (President)

FRATERNITY & SORORITY PROGRAMS

Phi Gamma Delta:

Sam Reish '26 (President)

Bryce Fitzgerald '26 (Chairman)

Matt Maledon '27 (Treasurer)

Matthew Benson '27 (Judicial Chair)

Kappa Sigma:

Lane Ovenell '27 (VP of Finance)

Theta Delta Chi

Gavin Boliver '28 (Treasurer)

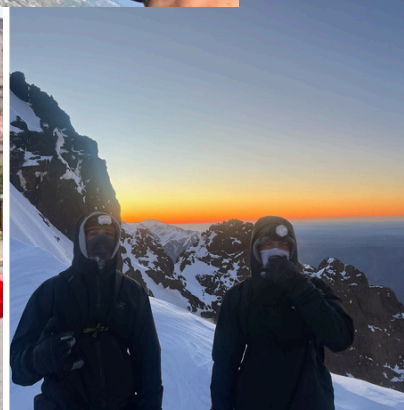
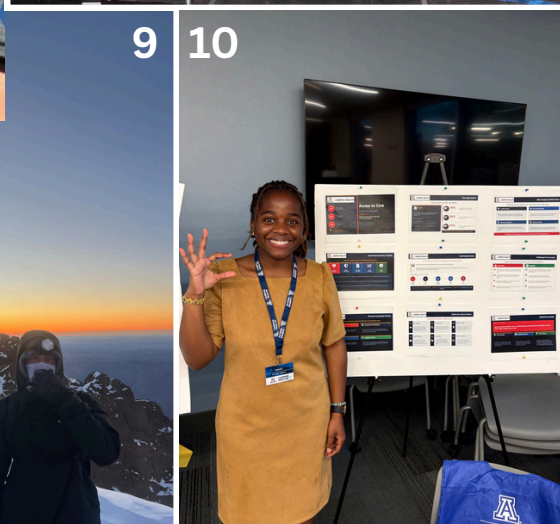
Sigma Alpha Epsilon:

Bijan Razaghi '28 (President)

Corban Chavez '28 (Scholarship Chairman)

Caleb Grommeck '28 (Judicial Board)

ELLER COLLEGE OF MANAGEMENT WALL STREET SCHOLARS DIVERSE EXPERIENCES



- (1) - SCHOLARS DINE TOGETHER WHILE STUDYING ABROAD IN BARCELONA
(2) - SASHA SOOD DELIVERS SPEECH AT ELLER'S MAY GRADUATION
(3) - JAKE HAYS PREPARES TO SKYDIVE OVER INTERLAKEN, SWITZERLAND
(4) - JOSH PETERSON LEADS UA LACROSSE TO SW CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP
(5) - TRAVIS GRAMM (MIDDLE) IS NAMED UA'S HOMECOMING KING
(6) - CORBIN WADSWORTH COMPLETES THE TUCSON MARATHON

- (7) - INSHA KHAN FACES HER FEAR OF HEIGHTS BY SKYDIVING OVER LOS ANGELES
(8) - JASPER FIELDS CRUISES PAST THE COLOSSEUM DURING HER 8-COUNTRY EUROPE TRIP
(9) - MATTHEW BENSON SUMMITS MT. TOUBKAL IN MOROCCO
(10) - ADELLE NKEZE SHOWCASES HER PUBLIC HEALTH RESEARCH PROJECT
(11) - AVI BAJAJ AND COLIN HASTINGS TAKE 1ST PLACE TROPHY IN THE 2ND ANNUAL MIRE / WORDEN WSSP PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT

GRADUATING SENIORS (CLASS OF '26)

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**DOMINIC BETTIS
ZIEGLER**
INVESTMENT BANKING
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PRIVATE BANKING FELLOW
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Members faced off at the 2nd Annual WSSP Mire / Worden Pickleball Classic at Corbett's. Congratulations to freshmen Avi Bajaj and Colin Hastings for taking home first place! 🏆



RISING JUNIORS (CLASS OF '28)

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