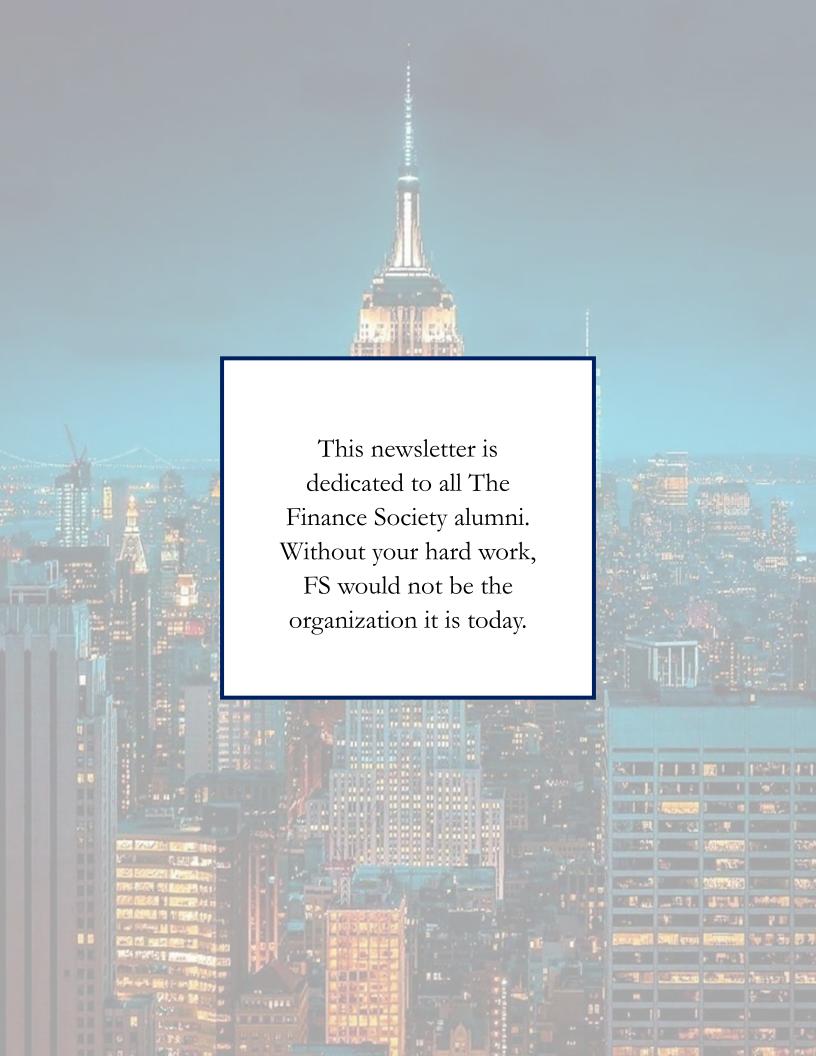


# ALUMNI NEWSLETTER Fall 2023

Fall 2023 Semester Review



# ALUMNI UPDATE

Dear Alumni,

We hope this newsletter finds you well! We have had the privilege of serving as Alumni Chairs for The Finance Society during this fall semester. We are excited to share the organization's initiatives, events, and bonding activities, as well as welcome our completed 2026 E-Comm Class. It was also a pleasure to reconnect with many of you at the Alumni Mingle at Harding's, and we hope you enjoyed meeting both former and current E-Comm members!

We are pleased to share that FS continued the tradition of its annual retreat in November, where we travelled to East Hampton and enjoyed tacos, poker, and a walk along the beach. Additionally, we hosted several firm events which drew extensive interest from students, and we look forward to continuing to do so in the Spring semester.

With the recruiting season approaching, the sophomores are diligently preparing with the support of the organization. We've also been connecting with freshman interested in joining E-Comm through our first FS Discovery Program, and eagerly anticipate welcoming the next class in the Spring semester. As always, we extend our gratitude for you for your unwavering support and hard work. Please feel free to reach out to either of us for anything, we are always happy to help.

From our family to yours, happy holidays and Merry Christmas!

Best,

Julia Wu Alumni Chair Kritika Venkat Alumni Chair

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Julia Wu '24
Alumni Chair



Kritika Venkat '24

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### PRESIDENTS' LETTER

Dear Alumni,

Over the past semester, we have had the honor of being Co-Presidents of Finance Society. It has been a fun and busy semester full of new initiatives and old traditions. This fall, we focused on promoting programs that helped us get to know the freshmen class at NYU and increase engagement within the E-Committee. We have had a lot of success in the first half of this year, and none of it would have been possible without your continued support and guidance.

We started off the school year by welcoming our newest E-Comm member, Ani, and continued our tradition of our semester retreat at East Hampton. We cooked together, played some games and ended our night with a trip to the beach and some late night ramen. We kept the E-Comm bonding strong by wrapping up this semester with a holiday gift exchange.

Additionally, we are very excited to announce that we introduced a new program for freshmen called FS Discovery. The program aims to give freshmen a walkthrough of different careers in finance and walk through the basics of business analysis to enable participants to evaluate if investment banking would be a career they would be interested in going forward. We've been very impressed with our inaugural class and look to continue this program into the future to connect more with the freshmen classes.

We are extremely grateful to have had the opportunity to lead FS this past semester and would like to thank all of you for putting in the time and effort it took to make the organization what it is today. Both of us have had a great experience as a part of the FS community and are honored to have been able to make an impact on the club and the greater Stern and NYU community with our E-Committee and E-Board's continued support. We are excited to see what is in store for the organization next semester and hope all of you enjoy the rest of the newsletter. Stay warm, and have a wonderful holiday season!

Best,



Raghul Ravindranathan '24



Delvia Zhang '24

Co-President

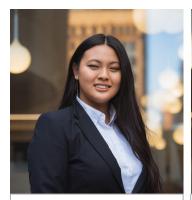
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# FALL EXECUTIVE BOARD



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Martin Wu Marketing Chair

# New E-comm Member



**Anirudh Reddy** 

<u>Hometown</u>: Monroe, NJ <u>Interests</u>: Weight Training, Watch Collecting, Origami

# COMMUNITY BUILDING













# Alumni Spotlight

#### What do you do now?

I currently work at a family-owned business in the healthcare space as the head of the Business Analytics division. Most of my time is spent analyzing trends and creating insights on best practices to increase profitability. I frequently work alongside the CEO, learning what it takes to run a successful business from an operational standpoint. I transitioned here after completing my investment banking summer internship at Rothschild & Co. I discovered my interest in this role by putting myself in unique internship opportunities, such as working at a startup as a financial analyst or at an investment bank as an M&A intern. These experiences throughout my time in college helped me learn more about what I enjoy doing.

### What role did you take on in FS and what has been your favorite memory of the club?

During my time in FS, I served as both the President and Marketing Chair. While serving in these roles were very rewarding, my favorite memory in the club was the social events outside of the classroom. Whether that was grabbing dinner and drinks on St. Marks or playing Spikeball in Washington Square Park with other members of the club, simply having that sense of community at NYU was definitely my favorite memory in the club.

### Most important lesson you have learned after graduating that you would tell someone in college right now?

Take risks, and do not be afraid to go against the norm. At Stern, the unfortunate reality is that a hierarchical structure exists. As a student in this environment, it can be easy to be attracted to certain jobs even if you do not necessarily enjoy it, or even see a future for yourself in that industry. As a graduate looking back, I can say with complete certainty: it truly, truly does not matter in the long run. At the end of the day, your peers carry on with their lives, and you carry on with yours. Your friends will remain your friends without judgment, regardless of the job you end up in. I say all of this to underscore the importance of exploring your options. Talk to professionals, research different industries, and experience different roles while you are in college. If in the end you want to pursue a career in investment banking, more power to you. If not, that is completely fine - take the risk and put yourself in a role you genuinely enjoy and can grow from. If you are going to take a risk at some point in your life, why not now?

#### Where do you see yourself 5-10 years from now?

Professionally, I see myself owning my own company within the next 5-10 years. Going back to the previous question, I did not see myself in the finance industry long-term. Instead, I saw myself as more of an entrepreneur with ambitions to eventually run my own business. As a result, I left my investment banking role, and decided to pursue a career that I believe best prepares to accomplish this goal.

### Favorite hobby? Or something you picked up during the pandemic?

As much as I hate to admit it, I am currently obsessed with pickleball. No, it is not only an old person sport.



Vikas Gurnani '23
Former E-Comm President

# E-Comm Spotlight

#### How did you get involved with FS?

I attended every FS meeting my sophomore year and was able to learn a lot and expand my knowledge of different industries. FS stood out to me for two main reasons: culture and learning. Seeing how all the E-Comm members interacted with each other at general meetings and during social events, it was clear to me that FS is more than just a club; it is a family. Everyone was extremely welcoming and happy to answer any questions anyone had. Similarly, after attending the general meetings and seeing how the upperclassmen would provide effective explanations for difficult concepts made me realize that FS was the club that would help push my boundaries and allow me to understand difficult finance topics.

#### What has been your favorite memory from FS so far?

My favorite memory from FS would definitely be our most recent retreat this past semester (Fall 2023). It was great having the entire club congregate in one place and have fun doing various activities. We rented a house in the Hamptons, played a bunch of games, walked to the beach, and cooked a lot of food. I really enjoyed it because I truly felt welcomed into the FS community by every single member.

#### How has FS been able to help you grow?

FS has enabled me to be part of a community that not only supports me but actively wants me to succeed. I have not only been able to form great relationships with my class of highly driven peers, but I was also given access to mentors who not only have my back and give advice, but were always available and were actively invested in my success. FS has given me a platform to accelerate my behavioral and technical knowledge and the ability to connect with almost anyone in the finance industry.

#### What do you look forward to in your coming years at NYU?

In my coming years I hope to continue to meet new people and further strengthen the bond I have created with everyone I already know. I want to be able to leave a positive impact on everyone I meet. I also would love to continue to explore the depths of New York City and try out the various restaurants and cuisines the city has to offer.

#### What are your career interests?

In the near future I will be recruiting for a job in investment banking, but in the long term I have not definitively selected one path. I had the opportunity to work for a hedge fund my freshman summer and found that I enjoy the buy side. Likewise, since a young age I have always been fascinated by venture capital and so I think it is definitely a possibility that I pursue a career in either venture capital or private equity down the line.



Anirudh Reddy '26
E-Comm Member

# E-Comm Spotlight

#### How did you get involved with FS?

I first joined FS in freshman spring semester, as a part of the Executive Committee. As a freshman, I really wanted to explore and learn more about finance, but I was also looking for a club with a strong community as well, where I would be able to develop new friendships and gain incredible mentor figures. While I knew that FS would be a great place to learn, I was also really drawn to the community aspect of the club, and I specifically remember attending an FS general member social before I got into E-Comm. I met so many wonderful people, and I was impressed by how FS offered both an incredible learning opportunity as well as a very welcoming community atmosphere.

#### What has been your favorite memory from FS?

My favorite memory, hands down, are the FS class dinners that we do together. Although I am graduating a year early, I love spending time with the other juniors, and I think it is so special that we always make time to do a class dinner once a semester. Our class dinner last semester was particularly memorable, as it was a great time to catch up with everyone.

#### How has FS impacted your time at NYU?

I don't think I can put into words how much of an impact that FS and all of the people involved in the club have had on my time at NYU. I have grown so much as a person, and reflecting on my time in FS makes me feel incredibly grateful for the opportunity I was given. I have learned so much from all of the upperclassmen, who always helped me wherever they could. I have also gained an incredible group of friends across everyone involved in the club, and I will always cherish those relationships and the memories that we have made together.

#### What do you look forward to in the remainder of time at NYU?

In my remaining time at NYU, I am looking forward to spending time with my friends in the city and also hopefully organizing a spring break trip to visit our friends studying abroad! I want to enjoy everything that the city has to offer and try to learn a few new recipes along the way. I would also love to visit more art museums and explore new areas of the city.

#### What are your career interests?

I will be joining Goldman Sachs as a full-time investment banking analyst in the Industrials group this upcoming summer. I am really excited to join the group full-time, and I hope to stay there for as long as possible, to continue learning about industrials and cultivating new connections.



Christina Money '24
E-Comm Member

### SEMESTER STATISTICS



Events
146 Attendees / Event



General Meetings
196 Attendees / GM

#### Firm Events

#### 10 Firm Events

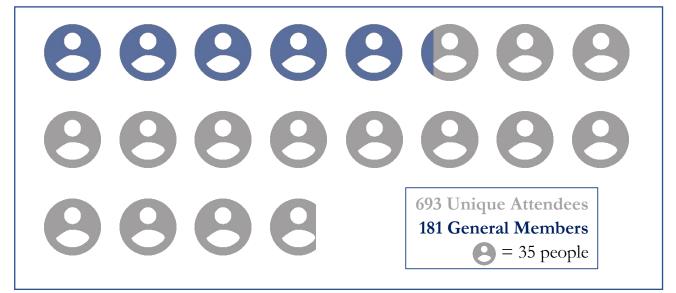
We hosted several firms in the Fall, with an average turnout of 132 attendees/Firm Event

#### Semester Highlight

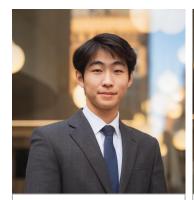
1 44% Unique Attendees

1 22% Total Attendance

1 40% GM Attendance



# Spring Executive Board



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Harry Xu Co-President



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## Full Time Recruiting

### BANK OF AMERICA 🧼



Kritika Venkat, Investment Banking Delvia Zhang, Investment Banking



#### **Deutsche Bank**

Albert Chen. **Investment Banking** 

### Evercore

Julia Wu, Investment Banking Harry Xu, Investment Banking

Alice Yu, Investment Banking Christina Money, Investment Banking

### Greenhill

Karthik Arun, Investment Banking Richard Fan, Investment Banking

#### GUGGENHEIM

David Huang, **Investment Banking** 

### Morgan Stanley

Teeya Lowe, **Investment Banking** 



Robby Sain, Hedge Fund

### STIFEL

Rishi Kulkarni. **Investment Banking** 

# JUNIOR RECRUITING



Sean Chen, Private Capital



Winston Yin, Long/Short Equities

### Evercore

Jacob Zhang, Investment Banking **FINANCO** 

**RAYMOND JAMES** 

Neil Sarkar, Investment Banking

### Greenhill

Arjun Kubal, Investment Banking

### Morgan Stanley

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