AARON J. OLSON

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EDUCATION

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN, McCombs School of Business, Austin, TX   **May 2013**
Master of Business Administration, Full-Time Program
- Concentration in Finance
- Member: McCombs Admissions Committee, Graduate Finance Association, and MBA Golf Association
- Serving as a Teaching Assistant for Financial Management courses in the MPA and Executive MBA programs
- Participated in a McCombs MBA+ Project with ADI Analytics researching shale basin infrastructure projects

BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY, The Marriott School of Management, Provo, UT   **April 2009**
Bachelor of Science in Management, Finance Emphasis
- Graduated *magna cum laude*
- Selected to be a Teaching Assistant for an Investments course, conducting tutoring sessions and recitations

EXPERIENCE

MBA INVESTMENT FUND, LLC, Austin TX   **2011 - Present**
- One of fifteen students selected through a formal application and interview process to actively manage large cap value and growth portfolios with total assets under management of approximately $14mm
- Appointed by advisors as a Risk Manager (team lead) for the Technology Sector; responsible for determining portfolio risk strategy, reviewing and approving all technology stock pitches, and managing advisor relationships

J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES, INC., Dallas, TX   **Summer 2012**
Investment Banking Division, Consumer and Retail Group
Summer Associate
- Conducted analyses of alternative refinancing scenarios for a specialty retailer with a complex capital structure consisting of many different tranches of debt and maturity walls, ultimately leading to an offering of $450mm of high-yield notes
- Managed the timely completion of a project involving merger synergies and value creation analyses for a strategic acquisition possibility, working as the lone associate for a majority of the project's time
- Performed various financial modeling functions, including standalone financials, recapitalizations, leveraged buyouts, discounted cash flow valuation, trading and transaction comparable analysis, and merger synergies analysis

K OLSON, INC., Turton, SD   **2006 - 2011**
Agribusiness producing oilseeds and feed grains, while also engaging in the retail sale of Syngenta seed products
Vice President (2009 - 2011)
- Implemented hedging strategies for a basket of agricultural commodities, beating the USDA benchmark average farm price by an average of 3.7% in the 2009/2010 marketing year and 4.1% in 2010/2011
- Executed a cost/benefit analysis of the various levels of the USDA crop insurance program by applying scenario analysis of differing harvest outcomes to determine the optimal level, cutting the firm's insurance expense by 40% in 2011 while only sacrificing the level of revenue protection by less than 5%
- Employed precision agriculture equipment and techniques to production practices allowing for improved long-term sustainability, superior environmental responsibility, and increased profitability
- Evaluated benefits and costs of investment diversification into various asset classes for the firm's pension portfolio

Summer Associate (2006 - 2009)
- Performed due diligence and modeled expected future cash flows of potential farmland leases and acquisitions
- Discovered the forces driving producer buying decisions through extensive client interaction, directly contributing to sales growth of the CruiserMaxx® product that ranked in the top five of all Garst Seed Company retailers in 2008

ADDITIONAL

- Founded and operated an agribusiness focused on grain production and marketing, turning a profit each year
- Appointed as an advisor on the Spink County Conservation Board in recognition of sustainable agriculture practices
- Served as an assistant football coach for high school alma mater for two years
- Earned honorable mention All-America honors for efforts as a quarterback in high school
- Will sit for CFA Level II Exam in June 2012
- **Work Eligibility:** Eligible to work in the U.S. with no restrictions