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Education

- Oct '12* **Bloomberg Institute BAT score – 650 points (ranked at 98th percentile worldwide)**
University of Birmingham, United Kingdom
- Sep '13–ongoing* **PhD in the Department of Finance**
- **Research area:** Corporate governance / international finance
 - **Thesis title:** International Cross-listing: Evidence from the People's Republic of China
 - **Methodology:** Multinomial discrete choice modelling; econometric duration analysis
 - **Scholarship:** Kirkcaldy Central University Scholarship Award (2013/2014 & 2014/2015)
University of Birmingham, United Kingdom
- Sep '12–Sep '13* **MSc Investments (Pass with Distinction)**
City University of Seattle, WA, U.S.A.
- Sep '08 – Jun '12* **BSc Business Administration (GPA: 3.438 out of 4.000)**
- **Dissertation:** Capital markets; The organisation of the security markets, the organised exchanges and the over-the-counter markets (dissertation mark – A, defence mark – A)
- Sep '00 – May '08* **Gymnazium Malacky, Slovakia (selective grammar school)**
Maturita (A-level equivalent): English Language (1), History (1), Social Sciences (1), Slovak Language and Literature (2)
- Sep '06 – Jun '07* **Summit High School - Bend, Oregon, U.S.A. (exchange student)**
- Achieved excellent academic record (ranked as the **top student** in **mathematics, physics and chemistry** modules)
 - Volunteered as an American football team manager

Academic Awards and Scholarships

- Sep '14 – Aug '15* Kirkcaldy Scholarship (scholarship award covering tuition fees) – University of Birmingham
- Sep '13 – Aug '14* Kirkcaldy Scholarship (full postgraduate research degree scholarship with maintenance grant) – University of Birmingham
- Oct '09 – Jun '12* City University of Seattle – Academic Excellence Scholarship
- '09/'10 '10/'11* Global Management Challenge (Competition in managing a listed company)
Awarded € 1,000 in corporate sponsorship from ZSE, a.s. (subsidiary of E.ON S.E.)

Work Experience (All work experience was undertaken alongside my degree studies)

- May '15/present* **University of Oxford – Research Assistant**
- **Centre for International Finance and Regulation (CIFR)** - International competitiveness of Australia's financial services sector: fulfilling the mandate of the Financial System Inquiry - F001; Link to project summary:
http://www.cifr.edu.au/project/International_Competitiveness_of_Aus_Financial_Services.aspx
- Jan '13/Dec '14* **University of Birmingham – Teaching Assistant**
- **Quantitative Techniques in Finance** (2nd semester 2013/2014)
 - **Financial Modelling and Forecasting Techniques** (1st semester 2014/2015)
 - **Foreign Exchange and International Money Markets** (1st semester 2014/2015; MSc level)
 - **Financial Modelling Techniques** (1st semester 2014/2015; MSc level)
- Oct '14/Feb '15* **University of Leicester – Teaching Assistant**
- **Foundations of Economics** (University of Leicester – 1st semester 2014/2015; BSc level)
 - **Economics for Management** (University of Leicester – 1st semester 2014/2015; BSc level)
 - **Financial Management** (University of Leicester – 1st semester 2014/2015; BSc level)

Extra-Curricular Activities & Achievements

Sep'12-present **Participation at research seminars in the Department of Accounting & Finance at the University of Birmingham**

'09/'10 '10/'11 **Global Management Challenge (Competition in managing all major departments of a listed company)**

- Received € 1,000 in corporate sponsorship from ZSE, a.s. (subsidiary of E.ON S.E.) and participated in this competition under their corporate backing
- Actively managed team of four students, designed and executed corporate strategy of our model company by deciding on inputs ranging from production of goods, distribution, through corporate funding policy to marketing and sales of final products.

Sep'12-present **University of Birmingham Investments Society**

Snowboarding/wakeboarding/surfing - on seasonal basis

Swimming

Hiking and camping

Language skills

English, Czech, Slovak (fluent) | German (intermediate)

May'12 **Pearson Test of English Academic** – overall score **90/90** – **highest score bound**

IT Skills

- **MS Excel (advanced)**
- **Visual Basic for Applications (VBA)**
- **MS Word (advanced)**
- **MS PowerPoint (advanced)**
- **DataStream/Worldscope (advanced)**
- **Thomson One Banker (advanced)**
- **FAME database (intermediate)**
- **EViews (advanced)**
- **STATA (advanced)**
- **R (advanced)**
- **MATLAB (intermediate)**
- **LateX (advanced)**
- **SQL (advanced, including procedural SQL)**
- **MS Access (intermediate)**
- **Oracle Database (advanced)**
- **Google Analytics (advanced)**

Academic conferences

- 2015 European Financial Management Association (EFMA) annual meeting - "Merton H. Miller" Doctoral Students Seminar (June, 2015)
- Midlands Doctoral Colloquium (April, 2014) – University of Nottingham