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Business Support Analyst – Domestic Capital Markets (2827), and
Investigative Analyst (2902)
Federal Reserve Bank of New York

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to express my interest in the Business Support Analyst position in Domestic Capital Markets, as well as the Investigative Analyst position. I graduated from Hartwick College in Oneonta, NY in December, 2008 with an honors Bachelor's Degree in Economics and minors in Mathematics and Political Science. I finished Magna Cum Laude with Departmental Distinction and a 3.71 cumulative grade point average, and a 3.9 grade point average within the Economics major. I am very interested in becoming a part of the most authoritative central bank in the World, and working to resolve financial and economic issues.

Throughout my college career I have grown an acute interest in financial markets and economic research. I am highly analytical by nature, and my greatest strengths are in economic theory with an applied mathematical background. During the Fall semester of 2008 I completed my senior thesis research project on the financial crisis and its effect on major commercial banks. My work included an empirical model that measured the effect of a bank's risky assets on its stock price using a dataset with over 100 thousand observations collected from the FDIC and the Federal Reserve Bank. I am hard-working and goal-oriented and I pay particular attention to details.

During the Summer of 2007 I successfully completed an internship at Milliman in Seattle, WA in the Healthcare IT department. In this position I worked with our product, MedInsight to analyze client data and present my findings. I worked to solve other issues with new clients and present our solutions in meetings. I worked particularly closely with one client, who our group met with in person on a weekly basis. Throughout the summer I became quite familiar with this client and eventually was able to join in and lead our weekly meetings.

During the summer of 2008, before my senior year of college I completed an internship at The Bank of New York Mellon in the Wealth Management department. I was assigned challenging projects such as a mutual fund comparison analysis in the banking division, and loan underwriting in the lending division. I experienced a great deal of success in Wealth Management, and I gained valuable industry experience. I have experience with business valuation from my coursework, and I have a strong knowledge of financial markets. I am proficient learner and hard worker with a proactive nature. I am a strong leader and team member, and my background in competitive soccer has prepared me to lead on the field and in the office.

I am very enthusiastic about these positions. I feel strongly that the requirements strongly match my skills and I am confident that I would be very successful in this position. I am a fast learner and hard worker with a proactive nature, and I consider myself a strong leader and team member. This would be an ideal position for me and I sincerely hope that you strongly consider me for this role. Thank you and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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