

BEGUM ELSA CURA

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EDUCATION

- The New School for Social Research**, New York, USA 2012-2014
MA, Economics
Current GPA: 3.8
- Columbia University – Graduate School of Architecture, Planning & Preservation**, New York, USA Jan-May 2014
Inter-University Consortium, Real Estate Finance & Development
- American University of Paris**, Paris, France 2009-2012
BA, International Economics
Minor in Applied Mathematics
Academic Scholarship and Dean's List (Fall 2009 – Fall 2010, Fall 2011 – Spring 2012)
GPA: 3.7 (Summa Cum Laude)
- Harvard University**, Boston, USA Jan-May 2011
Study Abroad Semester, International Economics
- British School of Paris**, Paris, France 2005-2009
A Levels Diploma in Business Studies, ICT, Mathematics, French, Spanish
GPA: 4.0 (Honors)

WORK EXPERIENCE

- CIC-Banque Transatlantique**, New York, USA May-Dec 2013
Executive Assistant Intern
 - Extensive research on potential ultra/high-net-worth clients corresponding to the firm's vision.
 - Structure and translate (from French to English) corporate documents, website, and presentations.
 - Assist and support the Managing Director in administration, client events, and meetings.
- GSN (member of European Securities Network)**, New York, USA Jan-May 2013
Corporate Access Intern
 - Maintained the company databases, CRM, client lists, expense sheets and weekly reports up-to-date.
 - Created daily research and analysis reports on major African countries and their financial markets.
 - Transmitted the daily research materials to clients through Factset.
- American University of Paris**, Paris, France Jun-Aug 2012
TA for Math for Life; Statistics; Financial Accounting courses
 - Assisted the students registered to these courses by holding private and group sessions.
- Claudine Ivori at Ritz Hotel**, Paris, France Oct-Dec 2011
Part-Time Sales Representative
 - Facilitated the sales to high-profile, international clientele and communicated the brand's image.
- Credit Mutuel-CIC Securities**, Paris, France Jun-Jul 2011
Research Intern
 - Provided In-depth research and analysis of the economy and the financial markets of Morocco, Tunisia, Egypt, for an international study published by the firm, as part of a research team.
 - Researched and individually presented an internal study on Turkey for investment and expansion purposes to the Senior Management.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Trilingual in English, French and Turkish. Working proficiency in Spanish.

COMPUTER SKILLS

All Microsoft Office applications, Mac & Windows OS, Bloomberg terminal, Factset, Datadesk, Stata, R Studio, Matlab, Mathematica, Lindo, HTML, Macromedia Firework, FinalCut Pro

INTERESTS

Sports: Keen tennis and volleyball player (regional competitions 2003-2007), regular swimmer
Music: Playing drums, live music