



ASIA School
of Business

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Student Biotable MBA Class of 2019



PROFILE OF 2019

Asia School of Business MBA Students



Total MBA Graduates **36**



Gender

● Male **55%**
● Female **45%**



Average Age **28** Years



Age

● < 26 **19%**
● 26 - 28 **50%**
● 29 - 31 **17%**
● > 31 **14%**



Average Work Experience **4.2** Years



Work Experience

● 1 - 3 years **11%**
● 4 - 5 years **67%**
● 6 - 7 years **17%**
● > 8 years **5%**

Nationalities*

	Malaysia	26%
	USA	17%
	India	11%
	Mexico	6%
	Nigeria	6%
	Peru	6%
	Brazil	3%
	Canada	3%
	Denmark	3%
	Ghana	3%
	Kazakhstan	3%
	Pakistan	3%
	Turkmenistan	3%
	Venezuela	3%
	Vietnam	3%
	Zimbabwe	3%

Industries

● Accounting	6%
● Consulting	9%
● E-Commerce	3%
● Education	6%
● Energy	3%
● Environmental Sustainability	3%
● Event Management	3%
● F&B	3%
● Finance	20%
● Law	9%
● Logistics	3%
● Manufacturing	6%
● Retail	3%
● Start-Up	9%
● Technology	14%
● Telecommunications	3%

* Nationalities listed on this page are based on primary nationalities declared by students upon admission. Please note that some students have multiple nationalities and details can be found in the individual bio pages that follow.

Abzal Raimkhanov

Industry Experience:

Oil and gas, energy and FMCG

Areas of Interest:

Supply Chain Management, Business development, Sales, Entrepreneurship, Procurement, General Management, Finance

Nationality:

Kazakhstan



Education:

Master of Science in technology, STAFFORDSHIRE UNIVERSITY

Years of Experience:

10+

Languages Spoken:

English, Kazakh, Russian, French

Biography

Abzal is a business professional with more than 10+ years of experience in public and private organizations across many industries. He has been exposed to various functions including business development, procurement, general management and entrepreneurship. He is inspired to follow his passion in digitizing business processes as he strongly believes that digital transformation enables organizations to be innovative and agile as well as competitive towards disruptive technologies.

Since the global power is shifting to Asia it is driving customer-centric industries to follow a new value and bring innovation from Asia to the world. ASB is the perfect match to all requirements Abzal had in mind while choosing the region to pursue his MBA.

Abzal obtained his bachelor's degree from Kazakh National Technical University and Master of Science from Staffordshire University. He is fluent in Kazakh, Russian and has basic French. In his free time, he enjoys reading and spending some quality time with his family.

Akanksha Gupta

Industry Experience:

Financial and
Investment Banking

Areas of Interest:

Strategy, Operations,
Project Management

Nationality:

India



Education:

Bachelor of
Business
Administration,
CHRIST
UNIVERSITY

Years of Experience:

2

Languages Spoken:

English,
Hindi

Biography

Akanksha is from the Silicon Valley of India, the city of Bangalore. She completed her Bachelor of Business Administration (Honors) at Christ University, Bangalore, with a specialization in finance.

Before coming to Asia School of Business, she worked as a financial analyst at Goldman Sachs for two years. During her MBA program, Akanksha got the opportunity to work with Hotel Equatorial, Johnson & Johnson, Citibank and AirAsia. Having travelled since childhood and through her exposure with different companies, she has familiarized herself with different cultures across the world.

Akanksha has actively been involved in social service projects with the Rotary organization and has worked on projects such as blood donation camps, midnight marathon fundraisings and teaching students in government schools. Being a professional dancer, Akanksha has choreographed for groups ranging from 7 years old to 70 years old individuals.

Through her MBA experience, she is looking for the right opportunity to bring her expertise to a market-leading company in an upper management position.

Brian Schwartz

Industry Experience:

Cybersecurity, Investment Technology, Consulting, Finance, and Sales & Marketing

Areas of Interest:

Sales Operations, Strategy, Analytics

Nationality:

USA



Education:

Bachelor of Science in International Business (Minor in International Affairs),
NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

Biography

Brian is a data-driven leader who has experience scaling sales operations in a fast-paced, dynamic start-up environment. Brian's appreciation for entrepreneurship was sharpened during his Venture for America Fellowship (VFA). From his childhood home outside Seattle, Brian's journey has taken him to Boston, Venice, Dublin, New York City, Baltimore, and now Kuala Lumpur. He graduated with honors from Northeastern University with a degree in International Business, concentrating in Finance.

Years of Experience:

4

ASB provides the opportunity to build on that global education and experience as Brian looks to utilize his background to help scale organizations in APAC. Growing up in the Pacific Northwest has left him with an appreciation for the outdoors as he continues to enjoy photography, soccer, traveling and discovering new music.

Languages Spoken:

English

Calvin Woo Yoong Shen

Industry Experience:

Social Enterprise Development,
Education Start-ups, Youth
Development, Talent Development,
Non-Profit Management, Publishing

Areas of Interest:

Social Entrepreneurship, Education
Development, Start-ups,
Public Policy, Impact Investment,
Education Technology, Strategy

Nationality:

Malaysia



Education:

Diploma in English,
SULTAN IDRIS
EDUCATION
UNIVERSITY

Years of Experience:

2

Languages

Spoken:

English,
Mandarin,
Bahasa Malaysia

Biography

Calvin believes in the power of education to change lives and be leveraged for social good. He is a serial social entrepreneur and co-founded a social enterprise that aims to develop professional capabilities of millennials. Formerly, he was the Head of Programs for a social enterprise that aims to reduce poverty through academic and career development of youths ages 15 - 17. He was the chief coordinator for Institute for Democracy and Economic Affairs (IDEAS) National Unity Youth Fellowship. In addition, he was a Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative (YSEALI) Academic Fellow on Social Entrepreneurship and Economic Development in University of Connecticut, USA. His leadership and works in social development led him to be the first Malaysian to be awarded with Queen's Young Leaders award from HM Queen Elizabeth II.

He sits on the Youth Advisory Board of Successor Generation Initiative, a youth development network by the British High Commission Kuala Lumpur and the Vice President of ASEAN Youth Consultative Council, a council that aims to converge voices of youths across Southeast Asia in public policy process in the region. He is the author of *How I Escaped the Rat Race*, a book that entails the education realities and vicious cycle in the Malaysian context relating to his personal journey.

Chandra Rau

Industry Experience:

Technology,
Manufacturing, FMCG

Areas of Interest:

Entrepreneurship,
Technology

Nationality:

Malaysia

**Education:**

Bachelor of
Economics,
HELP UNIVERSITY

**Years of
Experience:**

8

**Languages
Spoken:**

English,
Bahasa
Malaysia,
Tamil,
Telugu

Biography

Chandra Rau is an entrepreneur with two brands running under his company, Thither Global (M) Sdn. Bhd, although he identifies still as an aspiring entrepreneur. He comes from a small Telugu family in Malaysia and speaks fluent English, Malay, Telugu and Tamil. Chandra has a Bachelor of Economics and is a self-taught tech guy; his talent stands in bringing business and technology together. In addition, he has held various positions with local and multinational companies, which proves that he is highly adaptable and capable. Chandra aims to scale his businesses to an array of services when he graduates from ASB.

As an unconventional candidate, Chandra believes that ASB's program will shape his business acumen, teaching him the nuts and bolts of organization management to be able to lead a large corporation in the near future whilst also enlarging his potential business networks. He has an interest in networking and making like minded friends from all around the world, and has also picked up golf in the recent years.

Chelsea Koglmeier

Industry Experience:

Technology, Tourism,
Transportation, Manufacturing

Areas of Interest:

Entrepreneurship, Business
Design and Development,
Operations

Nationality:

USA



Education:

Bachelor of
Arts in Public
Policy,
DUKE
UNIVERSITY

Years of Experience:

6

Languages Spoken:

English

Biography

Chelsea is a global entrepreneur with experience in business design and development. A graduate from Duke University with a BA in Public Policy, Chelsea was part of the pilot class of Venture for America, a program that places graduates with startups in underrepresented cities around the USA. Chelsea has worked at six early stage startups with roles that included marketing and operations at a technology accelerator; national account management, monetization, and scaling at a travel technology startup; and as founder of a bicycle manufacturing company built on a social mission. Most recently, she ran digital strategy and implementation for a US transportation agency.

Chelsea joined Asia School of Business to move closer to and to learn about the fastest growing economies in the world. She is interested in business design, development and operations roles at early stage and scaling startup companies focused on health and wellness, food, water, or infrastructure.

Chelsea has lived on 4 continents; raced in 40+ triathlons, placing first in over 15; and has been small-scale farming for 6 years building the infrastructure needed to live sustainably.

Dante Giovanni Zannoni

Industry Experience:

Technology, Software,
Engineering Sales and Energy

Areas of Interest:

Technology, Sales,
Entrepreneurship,
Energy, Automotive

Nationality:

USA



Education:

Bachelor of
Science in
Mechanical
Engineering,
UNIVERSITY OF
CINCINNATI

Years of Experience:

6

Languages Spoken:

English,
Mandarin
(Basic)

Biography

Dante is a seasoned global sales professional with a background in technology and engineering. He spent six years leading an international sales team across Asia, Europe, and North America. Dante's track record selling technology to the energy industry drives his aspirations to lead sales teams in the tech and energy sectors post-MBA. His passion for meeting new people and experiencing new cultures drives his fearlessness in solving problems for international clients. In his free time, Dante races cars with the Porsche and Sports Car Clubs of America.

Deepika Mahankali

Industry Experience:

Industry Experience:
Technology, Data Security,
Customer Experience

Areas of Interest:

Sales, Healthcare, Business
Development, Project
Management, Strategy

Nationality:

India



Biography

Education:

Bachelor of
Technology in
Computer Science
and Engineering,
VELLORE INSTITUTE
OF TECHNOLOGY

Deepika is a Computer Science graduate from VIT University, India and a certified Yoga Teacher registered with the Yoga Alliance USA. She has worked with Cisco Systems, Bangalore for 4 years in the network security team. Her role involved working with Cisco's partners and customers from across the globe, and dealing with highly critical production networks. An engineer at heart, she loves problem solving and taking up new challenges. Post MBA, she wants to create solutions to solve challenges in the healthcare industry by combining her technical and business skills.

Years of

Experience:

4

Deepika has represented her University at inter-university competitions in traditional Indian dance and football. She enjoys travelling, sports, teaching and practicing yoga.

Languages

Spoken:

English, Hindi,
Tamil, Telugu,
Kannada

Diego Benito

Industry Experience:

Consumer Goods and
Internet Start-ups

Areas of Interest:

Supply Chains,
Operations and Logistics

Nationality:

Brazil



Education:

Bachelor
of Business
Administration,
FUNDACAO
ARMANDO
ALVARES
PENTEADO

Years of Experience:

8.5

Languages Spoken:

English,
Portuguese,
German,
Spanish

Biography

Combining diverse international experience with top-tier education, Diego helps businesses solve complex problems through analytics and structured approaches.

With more than eight years of experience ranging from Fortune 100 Consumer Goods Companies (AB-InBev and Whirlpool) to Indonesian Unicorn Start-ups (Traveloka), Diego decided to come to Asia because he strongly believes the future will be created in this part of the world and wants to be part of its creation.

Diego is a knowledge-seeker and avid traveller. He has visited more than 25 different countries and reads, on average, one business book a month.

Fahad Ud Din

Industry Experience:

Manufacturing, FMCG,
App Development

Areas of Interest:

Supply Chains,
Operations Consulting

Nationality:

Pakistan



Education:

Bachelor of
Mechanical
Engineering,
N.E.D UNIVERSITY
OF ENGINEERING
AND
TECHNOLOGY

Years of Experience:

4

Languages

Spoken:

English,
Urdu,
Hindi,
Arabic,
German

Biography

Fahad possesses a cross-functional experience within operations and project management across three countries in manufacturing and FMCG sectors. He is passionate about dissecting complex business challenges by breaking them down into smaller pieces, proposing solutions and implementing those solutions.

In his four years of working experience, Fahad has gained extensive hands-on experience in operations management, from capacity planning to rapidly scaling-up the operations. Recently, Fahad had a great opportunity to lead the operations with a chemical manufacturing and services company in UAE, where he charted the operations and distribution plan across the country.

Post-MBA, Fahad aspires to build his career by helping businesses make better and sustainable decisions by providing them data-oriented and analytical based solutions while expanding his knowledge and expertise and shifting his focus from operations to broader business strategy.

Fahad is fluent in Urdu and Hindi, and has a basic understanding of Arabic and German. In his free time, Fahad enjoys taking long walks in nature.

Fernando Muñoz

Industry Experience:

FMCG, Manufacturing, Sports

Areas of Interest:

Tech, Sales, Start-ups,
Business Development

Nationality:

Peru



Education:

Bachelor
of Business
Administration,
UNIVERSIDAD
SAN IGNACIO DE
LOYOLA (USIL)

Years of Experience:

8

Languages Spoken:

Spanish,
English

Biography

Fernando has nine years of experience in Sales and Business Development, helping to bring together several parties to achieve unrecognized value. In his previous role at San Miguel Industries PET, a multinational packaging, he set up the Sales Team for the Commercial Thermoforming Division. Before SMI, Fernando worked at an Insurance Brokerage startup managing and counseling 15+ Institutional Clients from several different industries.

He has also volunteered to tutor children with learning difficulties, as well as to coach a youth football team. Fernando is passionate about Sports Management with a special focus on Football. He is looking forward to working with Digital Technology applied to businesses across the world.

Fiona O'Leary Sloan

Industry Experience:
Consulting

Areas of Interest:
Design, Innovation
Strategy, Start-up

Nationality:
USA



Education:
Bachelor of Arts
in Anthropology,
WASHINGTON
UNIVERSITY;
Master of Public
Service, CLINTON
SCHOOL OF
PUBLIC SERVICE

**Years of
Experience:**
4

**Languages
Spoken:**
English,
Brazilian
Portuguese,
Spanish,
Italian

Biography

Fiona is a globetrotting designer, start-up accelerator aficionado, and business strategist passionate about the ability of for-profit businesses to effect social change.

Fiona spent two years as a Venture for America fellow in Detroit, where she worked as an urban planning consultant for U3 Advisors. Her professional background ranges from teaching sex-ed in the favelas of Rio de Janeiro to traveling around the world as a freelance web and graphic designer to managing the MassChallenge accelerator program in Jerusalem to creating iconic innovations for a brand strategy consultancy called co:collective. Fiona earned her B.A. from Washington University in St. Louis, and subsequently graduated with a Masters in Public Service from the Clinton School of Public Service. She has travelled to 37 countries spanning 5 continents, and speaks Brazilian Portuguese, Spanish, and Italian.

Fun facts: Fiona wrote her college admissions essay about her love of cupcakes, drinks at least four cups of coffee each day, and trekked the Annapurna Circuit in Nepal without any porters or guides.

Gary Liao

Industry Experience:
Legal Services

Areas of Interest:
Management Consulting,
Strategy

Nationality:
Canada



Education:
Bachelor of Arts,
DUKE UNIVERSITY;
Juris Doctor,
CORNELL LAW
SCHOOL

**Years of
Experience:**
7

**Languages
Spoken:**
English,
French,
Mandarin

Biography

Before coming to ASB, Gary practiced law and managed legal programs in the United States for seven years. Gary is fluent in Mandarin, professionally proficient in French, and has a basic knowledge of Arabic. He obtained his Juris Doctor degree from Cornell Law School and his Bachelor of Arts degree from Duke University.

Gary decided to pursue his MBA to develop his business acumen and quantitative skills, and hopes to leverage the local market expertise he gains at ASB towards contributing to the rapidly growing economies in the region. After graduation, Gary hopes to bring his analytical, communication, and client management skills to a management consulting firm. In his free time, Gary enjoys practicing golf, playing poker, watching American Football, and reading books on economics and philosophy.

Ijeoma Lilivet Umunnakwe

Industry Experience:

FMCG, Manufacturing

Areas of Interest:

Marketing, Operations, Strategy

Nationality:

Nigeria



Education:

Bachelor of Food Science and Technology, UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA;
Master of Process Engineering, UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS

Years of Experience:

3

Languages Spoken:

English, French, Igbo

Biography

Ijeoma is a lively and emotive individual; extroverted and strong-willed. She gained a bachelor's degree in Food Science & Technology and a Masters in Process Engineering in 2013 and 2016 respectively. She speaks English fluently and has a conversational knowledge of French.

Prior to business school, she worked for three years as a Quality Control Officer in a fast-moving consumer goods (FMCG) company with annual turnover of approximately \$300M. During those years, she learnt what mattered most to clients and why many businesses thrive.

Post MBA, her goal is to become an expert in the field of marketing, leading or becoming part of a team to engage clients, design promotional campaigns and harness the untapped opportunities in the marketplace especially in the e-commerce space.

Ijeoma chose the Asia School of Business because of the very strong experiential learning opportunities in nearly all the South-East Asian countries. This has been far the most enriching experience of her life – availing her a four-week student exchange with MIT Sloan, two-week trek of US Tech companies in Silicon Valley and New York, and numerous treks to business hubs in Singapore, Hong Kong and UAE. She enjoys the outdoors, baking and travelling.

Joey Lai Chong Hoa

**Industry Experience:**

Digital Banking,
Project Management

Areas of Interest:

Digital Strategy, Sales
Management, Business
Development

Nationality:

Malaysia

**Education:**

Bachelor
of Business
Management
and Aerospace
Engineering,
ROYAL
MELBOURNE
INSTITUTE OF
TECHNOLOGY

**Years of
Experience:**

9

**Languages
Spoken:**

English,
Bahasa
Malaysia,
Mandarin,
Cantonese

Biography

Joey graduated from the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology in Australia. He has nine years of experience in the financial services industry. Joey started his career as a member of the inaugural class of RHB's Management Associate Program. During his career, he worked in digital strategy, campaign management and business development of several commercial banks. Most recently, Joey was an Assistant Vice President with CIMB's Regional Digital Banking Project. Prior to CIMB, he was a Manager in the Performance Management Team at Standard Chartered Bank.

In his free time, Joey enjoys spending time with his family and participating in long-distance cycling events.

Jocelyn Keyser

Industry Experience:

Finance, Accounting,
Economics, Technology &
Healthcare

Areas of Interest:

Strategy, Finance,
Commercialization

Nationality:

USA



Education:

Bachelor of
Arts in Business;
Master of
Accounting,
UNIVERSITY
OF TEXAS

Years of Experience:

4

Languages Spoken:

English

Biography

Jocelyn has four years of experience in financial analysis, modelling, pricing strategy, and commercialization.

Prior to attending the Asia School of Business, Jocelyn was an economic consultant in industries ranging from food to aerospace and worked with a biotech start up developing an innovative treatment for acute kidney injury. Jocelyn attended the University of Texas at Austin, and her academic ventures have centered around accounting, finance, and analytics. She spent her summer creating value-based strategy for technology at Li & Fung Beauty.

During her time in Asia, Jocelyn has gained a global perspective and has had the opportunity to work on projects across Malaysia, Hong Kong, and Vietnam in industries including media, food supply, and retail solutions. Jocelyn enjoys experiencing the rich cultures here and has developed an interest in diving in the region.

Jack Farrell



Industry Experience:

Technology, e-Commerce, Digital Platforms, Mobile Applications, Big Data

Areas of Interest:

Digital Strategy, Business Development, Sales, Digital Marketing, Account Management, Customer Success, Data Analytics

Nationality:

USA



Education:

Bachelor of Engineering,
DUKE UNIVERSITY

Years of

Experience:

6

Languages Spoken:

English

Biography

Jack is an international business development professional with six-years of professional experience in building digital businesses, including e-commerce websites, mobile applications, multi-sided platforms, and big data services. After graduating from Duke University where he was a letterman on the Varsity Football Team, his career began in the United States where he led digital marketing, business development, and partnerships for technology companies, including his own platform startup which he successfully exited in 2016.

After being drawn to Southeast Asia by the immense amount of innovation and digitalization in the region, Jack has led digital projects in Vietnam, Malaysia, and Thailand. As a driven deal-maker, Jack is passionate about working with multi-national technology companies to drive strategy and business development in these emerging markets because he believes over the next 10 and 20 years this is where the world's growth will be focused.

Jorge Zugarramurdi

Industry Experience:
Management Consulting

Areas of Interest:
Infrastructure, Economic
Development, Public Policy

Nationality:
Mexico



Education:
Bachelor of
Mechanics
Engineering
with Specialty
in Engineering
and Project
Management,
UNIVERSIDAD
PANAMERICANA

**Years of
Experience:**
6

**Languages
Spoken:**
English,
Spanish,

Biography

Jorge has an academic background in engineering complemented with six years of professional experience in data analysis and management consulting.

He is driven by creating long-term impact and is committed to build a better future through sustainable projects, which is evidenced by his experience in the strategic planning of large infrastructures. These projects have contributed significantly to boosting industrial and economic development in Mexico and Latin America. Besides being passionate about sports and adventure, Jorge is also a travel enthusiast and loves to explore new places.

Klara Markus

Industry Experience:

EdTech, Consulting (Emerging Technology, IoT, Cloud Services)

Areas of Interest:

Infrastructure, Economic Development, Public Policy

Nationality:

USA/ Spain/
Venezuela



Education:

Bachelor of
Arts in Political
Science,
YALE UNIVERSITY

Years of Experience:

4

Languages Spoken:

English,
Spanish,
French,

Biography

Klara comes with five years of experience working on designing, building, and scaling services. Through roles in operations, business development, and strategic partnerships she has worked across Asia, Europe, Latin American, and the US. She has a passion for technology, with a specific focus in emerging tech in healthcare and e-commerce.

Prior to her MBA, Klara worked at an EdTech startup (employee #18), where she worked across almost every department, enhancing operations, building teams, and most recently, leading their Southeast Asia regional expansion.

Since beginning her MBA, Klara has had the opportunity to work in projects ranging from e-commerce, to app development, and consumer goods, in Malaysia, Thailand, Vietnam, and Germany.

Latisha Udani

Industry Experience:

Oil & Gas, Strategy and Business Development

Areas of Interest:

Operations, Data Analytics, Digital Transformation, Marketing Strategy

Nationality:

Malaysia



Education:

Bachelor of Commerce in Economics and Law, MONASH UNIVERSITY

Years of Experience:

6

Languages Spoken:

English, Bahasa Malaysia, Mandarin

Biography

Latisha originates from Malaysia and was an oil and gas professional for the six years prior to ASB, developing market entry and investment strategies for her company's entrance into a variety of niche upstream services. She has invested a year at Beijing Language and Culture University in a Mandarin language immersion program, recognizing early on the necessity the language will play in her professional future. She is proud to be part of such a prestigious MBA program on home ground and is invested in developing her problem solving, quantitative and analytical skills via the Action Learning projects and MIT-centric curriculum at ASB, hoping to apply said skills within the Tech or FMCG industries in ASEAN.

Latisha is an avid scuba diver and underwater photographer, having dived over 250 dives over the past 7 years and has taken first prize in a local underwater photography competition.

Maksat Amangeldiyev

Industry Experience:

System Integrations, Mobile Games Development, Software Development

Areas of Interest:

Entrepreneurship, Data Analytics, Technology, Management, Product Development, Software Development, Digital Products, Partnership Management

Nationality:

Turkmenistan



Education:

Bachelor of Science in Software Engineering, American UNIVERSITY CENTRAL ASIA

Years of Experience:

10+

Languages Spoken:

English, Russian, Turkish, Turkmen

Biography

Maksat is a passionate entrepreneur with a background in software engineering.

Throughout his career, Maksat has developed and managed software and hardware products in Europe and Asia. In 2013, Maksat founded a system integration company which resulted in the enhancement and promotion of innovation in the telecommunication and financial sector in Turkmenistan.

Maksat has a rich international experience and speaks 4 languages fluently. His strengths lie in his ability to lead teams and deliver projects in a timely manner and at the highest standards possible.

Post MBA, Maksat aspires to lead the development of digital products which will improve the lives of people globally.

Marie Reine Seshie

Industry Experience:

Financial and
Commercial Banking

Areas of Interest:

Consumer Relationship
Management

Nationality:

Ghana



Education:

Bachelor of
Arts Degree
in Economics
(minor in French),
Kwame Nkrumah
UNIVERSITY OF
SCIENCE AND
TECHNOLOGY

Years of Experience:

5

Languages Spoken:

English,
French

Biography

Marie was born and raised in Ghana, as the last born of a family of eight siblings. She holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree (first class) in Economics (major) and French (minor) from the University of Science and technology in Ghana. She has a total of almost five years working experience mainly in banking (relationship management, strategy and front and back office operations), as well as policy analysis.

Prior to joining the MBA program, she worked with First Atlantic Bank, one of the fastest growing banks in Ghana. There, she led a team of eight to design a customer service strategy during the bank's transition from a merchant bank to a commercial bank. She then joined the Oil and Gas team of Corporate Banking as a relationship officer where she developed a cash management system for the bank's biggest customers. She also managed an average deposit portfolio of approximately US\$ 100 million and a risk asset portfolio of approximately US\$ 40 million.

Marie moved to Asia to expand her cultural and academic scope and venture out of her comfort zone to explore and learn. Her professional interests lie in enhancing customer satisfaction and excellence, as well as Consumer Relationship Management. She loves to travel to enjoy the views of the country side, sing classical music and dance.

Mathias Varming

Industry Experience:

Corporate Sustainability,
Greenhouse Gas Management,
Climate Change Consulting

Areas of Interest:

Corporate Sustainability, ESG
Investing, Renewable Energy

Nationality:

Denmark



Education:

Bachelor of
Science in
Environmental
and Socio-
Economic
Planning,
ROSKILDE
UNIVERSITY

Years of Experience:

5

Languages Spoken:

English,
Danish

Biography

Mathias is a climate change and corporate sustainability professional, with experience consulting for both the private and the public sectors on areas of greenhouse gas management and climate change adaptation. In addition to his Bachelor's degree in Environmental and Socio-Economic Planning, Mathias is a Certified Sustainability Reporting Specialist (CSRS) and a certified Lead Auditor for ISO 14064 (Greenhouse gas accounting). Mathias hopes to use his MBA to leverage his previous experience in the ESG investment space, and advance investors' understanding and management of the impact of their portfolios.

Mounika Mydukur

Industry Experience:
Software, IT

Areas of Interest:
Business Development, Product Management, Operations and Strategy Consulting

Nationality:
India



Education:
Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science Engineering,
VIT UNIVERSITY

Years of Experience:
7.6

Languages Spoken:
English,
Hindi,
Telugu

Biography

Mounika is a techie at heart; technology is her forte and working on technical solutions for solving complex business and social issues excites her. She firmly believes in a “Never Give Up” attitude. After finishing her undergrad in Computer Science, she joined Commvault systems. In her seven years of experience, she took up various roles, starting as Software Engineer to Implementation Specialist, within the organization to gain knowledge on both technical and business front of its products. Post MBA, she aims to make a successful technology-to-business transition. In her free time, she enjoys solving brainteasers, sketching Japanese manga characters and watching anime.

Natalia Tord

Industry Experience:

FMCG, Manufacturing, Mining

Areas of Interest:

Operations, Strategy,
International Relations & Trade

Nationality:

Peru



Education:

Bachelor of
Industrial
Engineering,
UNIVERSIDAD
DE LIMA

Years of Experience:

4

Languages

Spoken:

English,
Spanish

Biography

Originally from Lima, Peru, Natalia holds a Bachelor's degree in Industrial Engineering. She has four years of experience working in various capacities including International Relations and Trade, and Operations. Prior to ASB, Natalia worked in the FMCG industry where she had the opportunity to engage with clients across the globe. She finds this opportunity at ASB as a solid step towards her future as a businesswoman and for personal growth.

Natalia is an avid traveler and is open to new experiences and adventures. She has also represented her country in rowing competitions and has brought home several medals.

Nur Marina Abdullah

Industry Experience:

Social Innovation, NGO,
Social Impact Strategy,
Communications

Areas of Interest:

Corporate Social Responsibility,
International Development,
Research

Nationality:

Malaysia



Education:

Bachelor of Arts
(Hons) in Politics
and International
Relations,
UNIVERSITY
OF KENT

Years of Experience:

2.5

Languages Spoken:

English,
Bahasa
Malaysia

Biography

Marina enjoys working on mission-driven projects. She speaks English and Malay fluently, and hopes to master a second UN language later this year. Her experience has allowed her to interact with multi-national stakeholders like UNICEF, Greenpeace and Amnesty International on projects that involve marginalised, high need communities.

Over the summer, she spent three months assessing and researching the needs of low cost housing communities in Kuala Lumpur and has since authored an impact report outlining the barriers and opportunities that exist for provision of assistance.

Upon completing her MBA, she hopes to expand her career toward international development and social impact strategy. In her free time, she enjoys painting and practicing yoga.

Nura 'Adila Asri

Industry Experience:
Financial Services

Areas of Interest:
Creative Industry
Consulting

Nationality:
Malaysia



Education:
Bachelor of
Accounting,
UNIVERSITY
OF MALAYA

**Years of
Experience:**
3

**Languages
Spoken:**
English,
Bahasa Malaysia

Biography

Nura is a Chartered Certified Accountant with Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA). She is a native Malay speaker. She has a bachelor's degree in Accounting from the University of Malaya. Prior to her MBA, she worked with PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) for three years. During her Summer Associate Program (SAP), she spent three months with KL DiverseCity for Kuala Lumpur International Arts Festival on benchmarking the performance against other cultural and creative cities such as Edinburgh, Hong Kong, Singapore, Sydney, and Vancouver.

Nura is a career shifter looking for an opportunity in the cultural and creative industry. The reason why she is doing her MBA is to be exposed to other disciplines and enhance her cultural knowledge. She is also the author of Nura's Estetik, a website that focuses on what's new in the cultural and creative industry.

Oludare Oluwajuyitan

Industry Experience:

Banking

Areas of Interest:

Corporate Strategy, Data
Analytics, Product Development

Nationality:

Nigeria



Education:

Master of Science
in Automotive
Engineering,
KHARKIV
NATIONAL
AUTOMOBILE
AND HIGHWAY
UNIVERSITY

Years of Experience:

5

Languages Spoken:

English,
Russian

Biography

A pioneer at heart, Dare's experiences have seen him lead teams in West Africa, to East Europe and now South-East Asia. He has over 4 years of work experience in corporate banking. He speaks Russian which he learnt while studying for his Master's degree in Automotive Engineering in Ukraine.

He loves working at the intersection where Strategy, Data Analytics and Business Development meet. He speaks both the language of tech and business ensuring that technologists develop products that are commercially viable and meet end users' expectations. He is always excited about projects in which companies bring innovative products to the market.

Post MBA he is looking for roles in Corporate Strategy and Product Development. In his free time, he provides mentorship and guidance to budding entrepreneurs in Nigeria. He listens to classical music, jogs, plays football and chess.

Quang Nguyen

Industry Experience:
Digital Consulting

Areas of Interest:
Finance, Consulting, Emerging
Markets Transformation, e-Commerce

Nationality:
Vietnam



Education:
Bachelor of
Commerce in
Accounting
and Finance,
VICTORIA
UNIVERSITY OF
WELLINGTON

**Years of
Experience:**
3

**Languages
Spoken:**
English,
Vietnamese,

Biography

Originally from Vietnam, Quang studied and worked in New Zealand for eight years prior to joining ASB. As a senior consultant for one of New Zealand's leading consultancy firms, he had the opportunity to engage with different New Zealand and international clients in various capacities ranging from designing IT solutions to providing quality assurance and implementation services. Quang is also an adventurous nature explorer, a sports lover and an avid science reader. With the MBA experience from ASB, he looks forward to continue his transition back to his home region (which he believes is the most fun and exciting part of the world).

Ricardo Acosta Latapi

Industry Experience:

Marketing, Online Advertising and Technology

Areas of Interest:

Strategy, Business Development, Digital Transformation, e-Commerce

Nationality:

Mexico



Education:

Bachelor of Industrial Engineering and Masters of Engineering, UNIVERSIDAD PANAMERICANA

Years of Experience:

9

Languages Spoken:

English, Spanish

Biography

Ricardo has nine years of experience in scaling products and services in emerging markets, having worked in advertising, ecommerce and sales across Asia and Latin America.

Passionate about platforms and enabling global organizations with technology, Ricardo was one of the first employees at Facebook Latin America, where he spent over four years as an Industry Expert in the Global Marketing Division with a focus on branding and online acquisition. Prior to that, he held different positions in the Media and Digital Marketing teams at Procter and Gamble Mexico, having worked across different categories with brands as Gillette, Oral-B and Pampers.

Throughout his MBA program, Ricardo has had the opportunity to lead projects in Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia and Hong Kong ranging in industries from hospitality to banking.

He is an avid traveler and loves to experience new cultures and meet new people.

Saloni Saraogi

Industry Experience:

Banking,
Consulting

Areas of Interest:

Finance, Corporate Strategy,
Change Management, Digital
Products

Nationality:

India



Education:

Bachelor of
Arts (Hons)
in Finance,
Accounting and
Management,
UNIVERSITY OF
NOTTINGHAM

Years of Experience:

3

Languages Spoken:

English,
Hindi,
Arabic

Biography

Saloni is an Indian citizen who grew up across the Middle East. She is an avid traveler and has travelled to more than 35+ countries. She graduated from the University of Nottingham, UK with a specialization in Finance, Accounting and Management with a First-Class Honors on a high achiever's scholarship. She has also passed the Certified Public Accountancy examinations (CPA USA) and is a Level II Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) candidate.

Prior to joining Asia School of Business, Saloni managed the Market Intelligence desk for BNP Paribas Securities Services, India. Since the beginning of her MBA, Saloni had an opportunity to work on projects with Royal Selangor (Malaysia), Bangkok Bank (Thailand) and Unilever (Vietnam) which has helped her develop unique asian market insights.

During the summer, she worked as a Summer Management Consultant at Frost & Sullivan on a project to understand the digital readiness of insurance companies and banks in Malaysia which developed her interest in strategic digital transformation. Imparting education to the underprivileged communities is close to her heart and she hopes to make a difference in their lives.

Sarah-Ann Yong Jenlee

Industry Experience:

Technology, Legal Services

Areas of Interest:

Technology, Product Marketing,
Digital Marketing, Communications
and Learning & Development

Nationality:

Malaysia



Education:

Bachelor of Law,
UNIVERSITY
OF READING;
Bar Professional
Training Course,
CARDIFF
UNIVERSITY

Years of Experience:

2.5

Languages Spoken:

English,
Bahasa Malaysia,
Mandarin,
Cantonese,
Hakka

Biography

Sarah-Ann read law and was called to the Bar of England and Wales in 2014 and admitted as an Advocate and Solicitor of the High Court of Malaysia in 2015.

She is also a self-taught and experienced copywriter who produces engaging content that reaches over 100,000 customers for one of Southeast Asia's fastest growing food-tech start-ups. Her experience juggling an MBA while managing retainer clients as well as being the founder and host of the Asia School of Business Podcast has shaped her to be a disciplined and highly motivated self-starter with a passion for digital marketing, communications, personal branding, professional development and design thinking.

Through her MBA, Sarah aspires to gain first-hand business acumen and skills to equip her to become a versatile and market ready leader in a global business environment.

Having recently completed an internship in Microsoft Malaysia as a Product Marketing Manager, Sarah aspires to pursue a career in the tech space with a focus on marketing, product marketing and/or PR & communications.

Sherilyn Ooi

Industry Experience:
Legal and Marketing

Areas of Interest:
Strategy & Operations

Nationality:
Malaysia



Education:
Bachelor of
Law (Hons),
MULTIMEDIA
UNIVERSITY

**Years of
Experience:**
3

**Languages
Spoken:**
English,
Bahasa
Malaysia

Biography

With a unique blend of project and people management skills, Sherilyn is excited about working on high-level strategy development coupled with implementation and maximizing operational efficiency. Having worked with parties from the Middle East, North and Southeast Asia, Sherilyn can adapt to working with different cultures and working styles in international teams. Her legal experience has equipped her with stakeholder management, project coordination and public speaking skills.

At ASB, Sherilyn has worked on improving operational efficiency and culture development in the world's largest cotton shirt manufacturer. Over the summer in Japan, she developed a new tech product based on an internally developed tool at a steel tube manufacturer. She has also worked with strategy development for an e-commerce platform and supply chain optimization for Thailand's second largest hypermarket operator.

During her free time, she coaches, does scrapbooking and enjoys hiking.

Suresh Tan

Industry Experience:

Technology, Entrepreneurship, Youth Development, Business Development

Areas of Interest:

Digital Transformation, Business Development, Strategy

Nationality:

Malaysia



Education:

Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, UNIVERSITY OF MALAYA

Years of Experience:

6

Languages Spoken:

English, Bahasa Malaysia

Biography

In 2012, Suresh co-founded YouthsToday.com, a youth engagement platform. Prior to ASB, he was the head of the business development team at ServisHero and accountable for vendor and revenue growth. ServisHero is a marketplace for services that connects trusted service providers with consumers.

When ServisHero scaled to 6 cities across 3 countries, Suresh realized there were areas which he needs to develop further in his international business expansion kit, hence, he snapped at the chance to join Asia School of Business.

In his free time, Suresh mentors budding tech entrepreneurs, and he regularly speaks at tech-related events to inspire and build entrepreneurship qualities among aspiring founders. He is also an avid scuba diver, with a PADI Advanced Open Water License.

Tawanda Washington Mutsopotsi

Industry Experience:

Corporate &
Wholesale Banking

Areas of Interest:

Treasury, Energy, Global Markets,
Forex Trading, AML, Exchange
Control & Risk

Nationality:

Zimbabwe



Education:

THE UNIVERSITY
OF SOUTH
AFRICA

Years of Experience:

11

Languages

Spoken:

English,
Shona,
Zulu,
Sotho,
Ndebele

Biography

Born in Zimbabwe and educated at the University of South Africa, Tawanda is a seasoned banker with an advanced handle of global financial markets, treasury operations, exchange control, compliance and risk governance. In a professional career spanning 11 years across Southern Africa, he became proficient in 4 African languages and became an associate member of Institute of Risk Management South Africa. A passionate financial inclusion advocate with a firm belief in empowering communities for total transformation, his post-MBA goal is to spark and manage the de-politicization and independence of African Central banks as a precursor to sustainable sovereign wealth generation.

Tawanda is also an avid 18-handicap golfer, tennis and car racing enthusiast who devotes significant time to fundraising activities for orphanages in AIDS ravaged communities in Zimbabwe and South Africa.

Weii Jzie Leong

Industry Experience:
Investment Banking

Areas of Interest:
Finance & Consulting

Nationality:
Malaysia



Education:
Bachelor of
Science (Hons)
in Economics
and Finance,
UNIVERSITY OF
BRISTOL

**Years of
Experience:**
2.5

**Languages
Spoken:**
English,
Mandarin,
Bahasa
Malaysia,
Cantonese

Biography

Born and raised in Malaysia, Weii Jzie has a background in investment banking and consulting. He was an Associate at Ernst & Young within the Performance Improvements division before moving on to Maybank's Investment Banking & Advisory as group a Corporate Finance Analyst, where he specialized in transaction execution. Weii Jzie holds a degree in Economics and Finance and speaks 4 languages. Post MBA, he aspires to work in a finance/consulting-related role. Outside of work, he is an avid Manchester United FC fan and enjoys travelling and meeting new people.

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