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EDUCATION

Virginia Tech | Blacksburg, VA

Expected May 2029

Degree: B.S. Economics (Business Option); Minor in Data and Decisions

Coursework: Financial Accounting, Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Economic Modeling

Programs: JPMorganChase Career.edYOU Academy (selected, 2026); BMC, SIE and Excel certification preparation (in progress)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

FarkMarket | Founder & Operator

Aug 2023 - Present

- Operate a multi-platform apparel resale business; manage sourcing, price research, inventory, negotiations, orders and fulfillment.
- Built Excel ledger tracking 53 items and \$6,693.98 in acquisition costs; recorded 13 sales/\$2,706 gross as of Oct 2, 2026, tracking commissions and margins.
- Previously sold 47 items across eBay (24), Depop (14) and Mercari (9), earning 100% positive feedback.

Blacksburg Vintage Collective | Creative Director, Social Media Lead & Vendor

Oct 2026 - Present

- Produce promotional photos and videos, including October media day; sell sourced inventory in-store and support retail checkout.

Independent Investment Research & Trading | Self-Directed

2023 - Present

- Generated five-figure positive cryptocurrency P&L; research equities, earnings and market catalysts across stocks, ETFs, options, crypto and futures.
- Trade MNQ/MES using liquidity, structure, volume profile and order flow; backtest and journal risk, R-multiples, expectancy and execution.

Eats2Seats | Cashier, Cook & Premium Attendant

Aug 2026 - Present

- Handle transactions, food preparation and premium concessions service at Virginia Tech football and Pulaski Speedway events.

Yalla Apparel | Digital Marketing & Content Production

2024 - Aug 2025

- Created TikTok/Instagram ads and product photography, filmed YouTube content and reviewed audience engagement metrics.

LEADERSHIP, RESEARCH & SERVICE

Virginia Tech Day Trading Club | Co-Founder

Oct 2025 - Present

- Co-founded a community of approximately 150 students; lead market discussions, peer mentoring and trade/risk reviews.

Monte Carlo Investment Lab | Ongoing Independent Research

Sep 2026 - Present

- Built a 50,000-path scenario-based simulation and interactive dashboard comparing speculative technology, quality stocks and S&P 500 proxies; AI-assisted coding.
- Published project on GitHub; developing historical-data validation and rules-based swing-trading/statistical-arbitrage backtests.

Muslim Youth of North America | Camp Counselor

Summer 2026

- Mentored youth and supported group discussions and activities during a weeklong summer camp.

SKILLS & ACTIVITIES

Analytical & Technical: Excel, PowerPoint, Word, GitHub, TradingView, Tradovate; market research, pricing, inventory analysis and backtesting

Languages: English, Yoruba; Arabic (basic conversational proficiency)

Community: Muslim American Society member and 2026 Annual Youth Meeting participant; Black Muslim Collective, Black Student Alliance, NAACP, African Student Association and MSA