**ANALYTICS UPDATE:** 

# Analyst Spotlight: Dawson Durig

Dawson Durig joined Arnerich Massena as a Research Intern as he completes his MBA studies at the University of Portland. In this spotlight, we take a look at what inspires and informs him; what drew him to this industry, what his future plans are, and the resources he draws on to meet the challenges of his work every day.



The Arnerich Massena team met Dawson through our work with the <u>Cascade Pacific Council</u>. We were inspired by his remarkable Eagle Scout project (read <u>here</u> about how, inspired by his grandfather Bill Durig, a WWII veteran who survived 32 missions over German-occupied territory, he raised funds to honor the memory and legacy of Oregon veterans on a special Memorial Day), and are grateful that he has an eye toward economics and an inquisitive mind.

### What's your role as a research intern?

As a research intern, I conduct research about portfolio analysis and asset allocation. I also follow global events closely, thinking about their potential impact and ramifications and help out in any impromptu projects.

### What interests you about this type of work?

I've always been deeply passionate about the intricacies of business and strategy, and there's nothing more exciting to me than delving into the complexities of various business models and exploring how different strategic approaches can have a profound impact on not just lo-

cal and national economies, but the global marketplace as well. It's for these reasons that I find finance to be such a thrilling and rewarding field.

# What do you enjoy most about your job?

THE UNIVERSE WILL
CONSPIRE TO
SUPPORT YOU."
~ Rich Roll

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What I enjoy most about my work here at Arnerich Massena is that every day is a little different. Along with the open-door policy where whenever I have a question, there is always someone willing to work with me to find an answer.

### What has been your biggest challenge?

As someone just starting out in the finance industry, I am learning something new every day. As much as it is a challenge, it is also a blessing; it's almost every day that I go home with new curiosity and thoughts ready to go down another rabbit hole.



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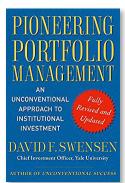


### What's your go-to source for investment information?

I use Bloomberg as my daily market news. For fixed income, I mostly use FINRA's bond market data. And for quarterly updates, I mostly look at Morgan Stanley and J.P. Morgan. I also use Causeway for fund information.

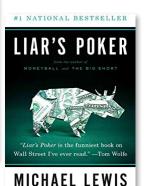


## What's your favorite investment/ finance-related book?



My favorite investment book is David F. Swensen's *Pioneering Portfolio Management* or Michael Lewis's *Flash Boys* or *Liar's Poker*.





### What do you like to do when you are not working?

When I'm not at work, I love being out in nature and pushing my limits of endurance in swimming, biking, and running. I also love to ski, climb, and play the piano.

# How did you land in Portland, Oregon?

I am originally from the Pacific Northwest and landed in Portland to get my MBA at the University of Portland.

### What book inspires you?

One of the best books I have ever read is *Finding Ultra* by Rich Roll: "Pursue what's in your heart, and the universe will conspire to support you."

