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The Wharton Analytics Fellows program unites Wharton MBAs, undergraduates, and faculty members in pursuit of a common goal: tackling our client's most complex challenges using the power of analytics

Our Mission

By partnering with Wharton's faculty and academic initiatives, we empower our consultants to solve real-world business challenges using analytical innovations

Our Clients

We have gained valuable project experience in a variety of different industries while serving corporate and non-profit clients around the globe

Program Features

- Selective Application Process Applicants are screened by Wharton Analytics Fellows leadership and Wharton faculty
- Deep Analytical Training Teams receive WCAI-sponsored training in SQL, R, Python, Tableau, and/or other technologies
- Hypothesis-Driven Approach Tightly-knit teams are led by experienced MBAs and/or trained consultants to expedite the analysis process and quickly identify actionable insights

Current Partnerships







Value Proposition

- Uncover analytical insights using existing data resources
- Crowdsource and pilot analytical initiatives at no cost
- Access to top-tier analytics expertise through the WCAI
- Build strong relationships with Wharton students and faculty
- Test work product of potential recruits in a low-risk environment

Select Project Experience

- Predictive analytics for a Major League Baseball team
- Actuarial pricing model for an Italian insurance company
- Micro-market segmentation for a national retail chain
- Real-estate portfolio optimization for a national apparel distributor
- Player behavior predictions for a Top 5 video game company
- Audience engagement analysis for a global research non-profit



Our Approach

We believe there is no "one-size-fits-all" approach to analytics; we tailor our people, processes, and technologies to match the specific challenge at hand



Define Hypotheses & Gather Resources

(1 week)



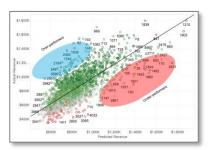
- Project Leads (PLs) connect with stakeholders to identify objectives, explore data resources, and develop hypotheses
- PLs synthesize inputs and develop project plan before assigning task ownership to team members

Key Activities



Develop Models & Validate Findings

(4-6 weeks)



- Teams leverage analytical tools to rapidly test hypotheses
- Findings, knowledge gaps, and requests for additional information are shared with point-of-contact on an as-needed basis
- Models are reviewed with faculty and PhDs to unlock hidden insights



Summarize Insights & Present Recommendations
(1 week)



- Teams highlight key insights and quickwin opportunities in a final deliverable
- Special emphasis is placed on actionable next steps that will enable clients to immediately capture value using the team's findings
- PLs present deliverable to stakeholders over WebEx / conference call



Getting Started with the Wharton Analytics Fellows

We look forward to working with you during the upcoming semester. To ensure that we will be able to deliver quality, actionable insights in a relatively short period of time, we ask for three commitments from our clients:



Lend us **1-2 hours at the front and back-end** of every engagement to a) define hypotheses and b) present final insights and recommendations



Provide a usable dataset and/or database connection as well as any required compliance documentation (e.g., non-disclosure agreements)



Identify a **key point of contact** that can **answer questions** and **validate findings** during the engagement (dependent on availability)

To get started, **please email us at** <u>whartonanalyticsfellows@wharton.upenn.edu</u> with a brief description of the problem you're interested in solving. **We will follow-up with you within 24 hours** to continue our discussion over the phone. In the meantime, **more information can be found** <u>here</u>. Thank you for your time, and we will hope to connect with you soon!