

MEET THE INTERN

ABBY MILLER



WHAT BROUGHT YOU TO VIRGINIA TECH?

I had a wishlist of three items; I wanted (1) south of Maryland, (2) school with good basketball and football teams, and (3) a Main St. and nice small-town college feel. I looked at some other schools as well but Virginia Tech wound up being the best choice.

WHAT IS ONE OF YOUR STRONGER ATTRIBUTES OR SKILLS THAT YOU BRING?

I would say being responsible, and having great positivity and drive.

ONE THING OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM YOU'RE PASSIONATE ABOUT?

Exercise and all the different types of exercise. I teach group exercise classes here. I also trained my mom and helped her to become more healthy and exercise more often. It's given me such positives and I am glad to help others realize the benefits in their lives.

WHAT ARE YOU MOST LOOKING FORWARD TO ABOUT THE INTERNSHIP?

Being able learn of course. But also being able to share my ideas and provide maybe a different perspective than those who have already been working here.

I am hoping to gain some real-world experience. I have had a lot of odd jobs and seasonal jobs before; this is a chance to see if these Finance classes and the things I've learned in class are something I want to do for the rest of my life.

WHY DID YOU CHOOSE YOUR MAJOR?

I really liked the math side and application side of Finance and using numbers to "prove something" or find the right answer. And then with my minor in Strategic Communication, it has helped with developing emotional intelligence, thinking critically, and being open and overall empathetic to other viewpoints or perspectives.



- **Hometown:**
Annapolis, Md.
- **Studying:** Major in Corporate Financial Management, Minor in Strategic Communication
- **Graduation Date:**
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- **Internship Rotations:**
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WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR HOBBIES?

I love to work out, I really enjoy reading and organizing/planning things. I enjoy traveling, hiking, and also cooking.

DO YOU HAVE A GO-TO DISH YOU LIKE TO COOK?

I actually eat the same thing for breakfast and lunch every day. I have oatmeal for breakfast. For lunch, I make brown rice with grilled chicken, shredded cheese, bell peppers, and then a whole bunch of seasoning, which I am obsessed with. Dinner's where it will sometimes vary, but I can eat the same thing for months and still love it.

IF YOU COULD ONLY KEEP 3 APPS ON YOUR PHONE, THEY WOULD BE...

My Tropical Smoothie app, I get lots of rewards on there. I would say the ESPN app and the NFL app. The NFL makes it really hard to watch out-of-market teams without that.

FAVORITE TEAM?

My family are all Ravens fans, we go to lots of games. I had the opportunity to have on-field passes for one of the games, it was so much fun.

WHAT MUSIC DO YOU ENJOY?

Country, all the way. Luke Combs at the moment. I love Garth Brooks, but he doesn't make his music available on iTunes, Spotify, etc. When iPods and iTunes came out, my dad loaded all the Garth Brooks CDs into iTunes, which I appreciate because it's the only way I can listen to it on my phone.

WHO IS SOMEONE WHO INSPIRES YOU?

My roommate, who is my best friend. She is the strongest person I know and has been going through some hard times recently with losing her dad. The way that she carries herself is inspiring to me, she's doing schoolwork and holding a job despite all these life events. She has a great way of putting things in perspective.

ONE CHORE YOU ENJOY? ONE YOU HATE?

I really enjoy laundry, specifically folding it. It is so satisfying when clothes are clean, folded and back in the drawers. I absolutely HATE scrubbing the shower. It's just so hard to get all the grime off.

BEST PIECE OF ADVICE YOU'VE RECEIVED OR FAVORITE QUOTE?

"Life is tough darling, but so are you." I saw it on Pinterest.

ANY PETS?

We have a family dog, Wilson, a black lab who is so much fun. He's back home now, I miss him.

FAVORITE PLACE YOU'VE VISITED?

My roommate and I went to Grand Junction, Colorado and went to a country music festival there, it was the best trip I ever had, the atmosphere was awesome to experience.

SOMEWHERE YOU WANT TO VISIT ONE DAY?

Hawaii. Also, it's kind of crazy it's part of the United States.

ONE THING ON YOUR BUCKET LIST?

I completed the Hokie Half Marathon and so I want to do a full marathon.

ONE OF YOUR WEIRDEST QUIRKS?

I do everything in my life in even numbers; I wake up at 6:02 or 5:46. The volume number in my car or TV has to be an even number.

FAVORITE HOLIDAY

Fourth of July. It's summer, everyone's happy, I really love the fireworks and the barbecues. I think the colors red, white and blue look so good together. To me it just seems like a good turning point in the year.

IF YOU COULD HAVE LUNCH WITH ANY 3 PEOPLE, THEY WOULD BE...

Carrie Underwood, who is just a great singer and has a great fitness apparel line, would love to get advice from her on that. Lamar Jackson, just to see how he thinks about things, and Steve Jobs, to figure out more about his business acumen and see if he had any good advice for becoming successful.