



EDUCATION

Harvard Business School

MBA Degree Candidate, 2+2 Deferred Admissions

Activities: Harvard Club of Seattle (President), Harvard Alumni Association (Board Member)

Cambridge, MA
May 2024 (expected)

University of Washington

MA of Communication in Digital Media

Author of #1 Amazon new release "Unlocking Unicorns: Ten Startup Stories from Billion-dollar Founders in Africa, Asia, & the Middle East"
Founder of BillionDollarStartupIdeas.com (blog of daily startup ideas with 750,000+ readers & 10,000+ subscribers via email & TikTok)

Seattle, WA
June 2021

Harvard University

AB Degree in Philosophy & Computer Science (Cum Laude Thesis)

Awards: 2015 National Caring Award Winner (alongside Pope Francis, Dikembe Mutombo, and 7 others)

Coca-Cola Scholar (100,000+ applicants), Elks Scholar (25,000+ applicants), Jackie Robinson Scholar (10,000+ applicants)

Activities: Franklin Fellowship (President), Senior Class Committee (Gift Marshall), Kairos Society (Executive)

Internships: Twitter (Summer 2016), MightyAI (formerly Spare5, Winter 2017), Dumbarton Oaks Art Museum (Winter 2018)

Publications: Bervell, Michael. (2019). *Data Ombudsman for the New International Data Bank: Surveillance Capitalism, Privacy, and Big Data*. Toronto, Canada: *Almagest: History of Science & Philosophy Journal*.

Cambridge, MA
May 2019

Kamiak High School, National Achievement Scholar (2400 SAT Superscore), AP Scholar with Distinction

Washington Boys State Governor, Student Body President, Newspaper Editor-in-chief, Varsity Debate Captain

Mukilteo, WA
June 2015

EXPERIENCE

M12 – Microsoft's Venture Capital Fund

Portfolio Development Manager (M12); Former Program Manager (Azure IoT, August 2019 – November 2020)

Seattle, WA
November 2020 - Present

Multinational Technology Company with \$1T+ market cap and over 2 billion daily active users across all skews

- Managed the growth of 12 portfolio companies through high-touch meetings with C-suite startup executives
- Lead special projects across the fund to scale influence over 100+ portfolio companies and connect M12 to diverse communities
- Created and scaled a 2,000-member early-in-career training program in 26 countries while managing 30 full-time employees

Harlem Capital Partners

Venture Fellow

New York, NY
Winter/Summer 2020

Early-stage venture capital firm with \$200M AUM focused on investing in 1,000 diverse minority and female founders in 20 years

- Executed due diligence and financial analysis for 40+ potential investments through screenings, memos, diligence calls, etc.
- Sourced 12 ventures deals in sectors including fashion, media, consumer tech, enterprise software, and ridesharing
- Hosted podcast series with black and latinx founders and conducted market research at the intersection of diversity and tech

LEADERSHIP

Hugs for __

Founder and Executive Director

Seattle, WA
Sept. 2007 – Present

501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to hand-delivering supplies to orphanages, schools, and hospitals

- Fundraised over \$500,000 of material and monetary donations from 10 states across US
- Impacted 300,000 underprivileged youth in Tanzania, Ghana, Uganda, Kenya, & Sierra Leone with hand-delivered gifts
- Directed 10 branches and 250 volunteers on college and high school campuses through philanthropic opportunities

The Enchiridion Corporation

Founder, President, and Chairman

Boston, MA
November 2017 – November 2020

A boutique marketing and branding consulting firm that specializes in helping businesses understand college students.

- Secured \$50,000 worth of contracts in first 2 months of operation and managed team of 20 college students
- Created and submitted legal documents to become Delaware S-Corporation and completed corporate IRS tax forms

SKILLS & INTERESTS

Web Design: www.MichaelBervell.com, www.HugsFor.org, www.BillionDollarStartupIdeas.com

Technical Skills: Java, C, Python, Javascript, Git, Scala, SQL, HTML, Adobe Photoshop, Mathematica, Microsoft Office

Interests: Art history, jazz drumming, clothing design, dreams, social entrepreneurship, journalism, and self-improvement

Favorite Courses: Silkscreening, Cubism and its Others (Graduate Seminar), Later Heidegger, Journalism (NYT Independent Study)