



Ahmed started at York in 2008 with a strong commitment to his studies which has paid off with excellent grades across all subjects and recognition from faculty and his peers. Indeed, in April 2011 he was nominated for the LAPS Outstanding Leadership Award by several professors. In addition to his regular studies, Ahmed volunteers in the Division of Continuing Education, providing advice to future students about the York experience. He is involved in the redesign of the Finance program in SAS and is helping with an initiative to test an on-campus social network space for students and student clubs. He is also working with Professor Dale Domain to coordinate a Webinar event about the CFP Designation and the FPSC.

## Ahmed has demonstrated excellent leadership by taking on various roles in the National Finance Students Association at York including:

- Starting as an Associate External, was elected as President in 2010
- Transformed, re-branded, and restructured the NFSA, increased membership by 450+ plus
- Administered executive meetings and monthly team gatherings to motivate the NFSA Team
- Managed and coached Directors, and Associates, via weekly "task lists" and "one-on-one evaluations"
- Negotiated and managed over \$8000.00 in sponsorship from Edward Jones, PASSMAX, CMA Ontario, and York University
- Formulated partnerships with TD Bank Financial Group, Rogers Communications, Research In Motion (RIM), Dundee Wealth, Ontario Public Service and several other large companies
- Facilitated partnerships with Schulich, Degroote, Ted Rogers, Western Ivey and Rotman

## Message to other students:

Stay positive and be involved! Throughout the year I've juggled a 24 credit course load and a part-time job on the weekends. My experience here on campus has been a blast and the knowledge and skill I've developed are invaluable.



