



David Master

My name is David Master and I am in my final year working towards a Bachelor of Administrative Studies Honours degree (management major) in the Liberal Arts & Professional Studies program. I spent my most recently completed semester studying abroad in Uppsala, Sweden where I had the opportunity to take the course “International Business,” internationally! When I finish my degree, I plan on attending law school, although I am not exactly sure how I plan on using my future law degree yet. In addition to attending York University, I am currently working full-time as a claims administrator at Manulife Financial and also work part-time as an ice hockey referee in various leagues in Toronto. I also have a passion for volunteerism and some of my volunteer initiatives range from being a member on the “Outreach Committee” for Habitat for Humanity York Region to participating in the “Junior Achievement” program teaching basic budgeting skills to kids in elementary and middle school.

Favourite book and why?

My favourite book is “The Prince” by Niccolò Machiavelli. I was actually required to read it as part of the course “Roots of Western Culture: Modern Period” but was fascinated by Machiavelli’s perspectives, the nature of the book within the context of the 16th century as well as the transferability and applicability of those same principles to a modern, capitalist economy.

Favourite quote or motto you live by?

Something I have been quickly able to realize in life is that it is not about the destination as much as it is about the journey. Keeping this in mind, it has helped construct my personal motto which is “Don’t live to die, die to live.”

Ultimate career and life goals?

My ultimate career goal is to do something I enjoy and/or something that brings enjoyment to others. I aspire to be able to wake up in the morning and look forward to going to work. I am self-motivated by my desire for subjective success and remind myself every day that there are no handouts in life; you have to go get it, take a chance and believe in yourself.

