

# Where Are They Now? Past UDC Scholarship Recipients



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**What was your major?**

Business Administration

**When did you graduate?**

December 2023

**What did you enjoy most about studying at UDC's School of Business and Public Administration?**

I loved the support from my professors and the diversity of my classmates.

**Where are you working now?**

I am doing an internship at EY.

**Please describe your current role. What are your main responsibilities?**

I am an intern in FSO – Assurance. I have clients that I am in charge of and help my team doing the audit process for the current year. My senior updates me every day with different paperwork and tasks to get done; these are some examples of what I have worked on during my internship: financial statements tie-outs, analysis of variances of all profit and loss account items, and arriving at a logical conclusion for such variances, and continually updated with the developments in audit related areas and have responsibility for updating their teams.

**What is the most rewarding/interesting aspect of your work?**

I would say that since I had the opportunity to work with two clients on multiple engagements, it allowed me to know more about the industry and the differences between clients in the same sector. I would learn something new daily and get to know more people from different teams.

**What are some challenges that you did not foresee?**

Differences in terminology/vocabulary since my native language is Spanish. Sometimes I wish I knew more commands in Excel and be as fast as some of my colleagues.

**What are your future career goals?**

I am planning to grow at EY for many more years to come. And someday, I would love to apply to the IDB or World Bank so my career takes a more human/social purpose working towards more for the people in need.

**Knowing what you know now, what advice would you give to your student self?**

One thing that has worked for me is to take advantage of the opportunities. I have always tried to keep updated, research, and apply; no matter what, the worst that would happen is never tried. Also, do not give up. If a door closes, another one opens, and being willing to learn and overcome challenges is essential when you want to see progress in your career.

**How can SFA and its member companies help you get to the next level?**

Keep working with UDC to be recognized by upcoming students and connect people with experience that can motivate others to work towards their careers.