

# DISHTI GOPALANI

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## EDUCATION

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### University of Chicago Booth School of Business

*Masters in Business Administration (MBA)*

- Chicago Booth Scholar – Deferred MBA (2025 Admission; Matriculation by 2032)

Chicago, USA

*Deferred Admission*

### Vassar College

*BA in Economics (Major); BA in English (Major)*

- Awards – Omicron Delta Epsilon (Economics Honors Society), English Honors Society, Best Speaker at Yale National Debate 2022 & 2023
- President – Vassar Business Club, Vassar Finance Club, Vassar MENA Alumni Association
- Student Advisor – Title IX Committee, Vassar Finance Committee, Vassar Languages Program, Vassar Philanthropy Council

New York, USA

*Sep 2021 – May 2025*

### London School of Economics (LSE)

*Department of Accounting & Finance*

- Completed General Course with Honors; full-time exchange year abroad

London, UK

*Sep 2023 – Jun 2024*

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### Gulf Islamic Investments (GII LLC)

*Private Equity Analyst*

- Support investment execution aligned with the firm's objectives and compliance standards (e.g. local Sharia-laws), contributing to active deal pipeline
- Conduct monthly reporting and performance analysis for 4+ portfolio companies across real estate and consumer sectors, informing strategic management decisions
- Prepare investor presentations and financial materials for real estate transactions valued at \$100m+, contributing to ongoing capital deployment and fundraising efforts
- Leading a proposal to introduce an *Impact Investment* category within GII's annual pitch competition (in partnership with IIT Bombay), offering seed capital to student teams developing ESG-focused ventures

Dubai, UAE

*Sep 2025 – Present*

### Gulf Islamic Investments (GII LLC)

*Private Equity Summer Analyst*

- Conducted valuations (EV: ~\$90m) utilizing financial models incl. DCFs/comps to assess investment opportunities, analyzing historical data and potential market scenarios
- Proposed synergy and cost-optimization strategies across 3 portfolio companies, achieving procurement savings of 8-10% through intra-portfolio supply agreements and joint vendor contracts
- Proposed value-enhancing strategies for 4+ companies and assets across Consumer & Retail and Real Estate teams, optimizing synergies and operational efficiencies

Dubai, UAE

*Jul 2024 – Aug 2024*

### Magnitt

*Business Development Summer Intern*

- Spearheaded a bespoke research package for angel investors, delivering tailored market insights and data to support investment decisions
- Generated 1,000+ sales leads across the Middle East and UK by leveraging warm/cold relationships, negotiation, and product expertise
- Covered & chaired client meetings, utilizing technical info to address and align solutions with client needs, driving 20% YoY business growth

Dubai, UAE

*Jul 2022 – Aug 2022*

### TAC

*Founder*

- Founded and led a UAE-based non-profit providing critical support to 700+ households during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Designed a donation matching system linking 400+ donors with households in need to provide groceries, medication, and miscellaneous items
- Negotiated partnerships with Westzone and Viva Supermarkets, securing \$50,000+ in gift vouchers distributed to beneficiaries, bypassing the UAE's legal restrictions on direct monetary aid

Dubai, UAE

*Mar 2020 – May 2022*

## LEADERSHIP

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### Vassar Finance Club & Vassar Business Club

*President & Market Analyst*

- Led planning, moderation, and execution of finance panels & events, sparking discussions on industry trends, increasing student networking opportunities by 90%
- Enhanced engagement by 130% through facilitation of 20+ yearly events that connect club members with alumni incl. Founders and CEOs
- Conducted fundamental market analysis to generate weekly financial reports, offering strategic insights into market trends

New York, USA

*Sep 2021 – May 2025*

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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*Languages:* English (Fluent), French (Fluent), Hindi (Fluent)

*Computer:* CapIQ, Bloomberg, Microsoft Office (Excel, PowerPoint, Word), Python