



Started as a chemical engineering student at the UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME

Didn't like engineering; fell asleep during physics.

Graduated with a B.A. in psychology. Considered graduate school and studying social psychology.



MERCY CORPS

Volunteered for a year through a program called MERCY CORPS helping to train disabled adults for employment.

Applied to MBA programs on the advice of my uncle, a business-strategy professor.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Decided on BOSTON UNIVERSITY for its nonprofit program (big business didn't excite me).

Dropped the nonprofit concentration and focused on my favorite subjects, marketing and finance.

Temped for the summer at First Data as a fund accountant, then moved with friends to San Francisco (with little money and no job offer).

Temped for 6 months as a revenue accountant at Aonix, an aerospace electronics company, while searching for a permanent position.



FRANKLIN TEMPLETON

Placed by a recruiter at FRANKLIN TEMPLETON to help with a massive accounting-software conversion.

Declined an offer to move following successful conversion.



QuadraMed

Placed by a recruiter at QUADRAMED CORPORATION (medical software & services) as Commissions Manager.

Circulated my resume when the company reorganized and advancement no longer appeared imminent.



MERRILL
A BANK OF AMERICA COMPANY

Placed by a recruiter as Assistant Business Manager in the Institutional Sales Group at MERRILL LYNCH.

Promoted to VP, Business Manager.

Left Merrill Lynch and moved to Ohio where we had financial flexibility for me to be home with my kids.



Started CAREER COLLABORATIONS.