

FREEMANWEEK

**CAREER CONVERSATIONS
&
SUMMIT SESSIONS**

**APRIL 19-24
2026**

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BUSINESS TRENDS SUMMIT

SESSIONS ARE 45 MINUTES

APRIL 19 - 24

MONDAY

3 PM

IB & PE Unlocked: Insights from Industry Leaders

4 PM

Private Credit Explained

TUESDAY

NOON

Launching Your Finance Career: Confidence, Differentiation, & Essential Skills

NOON

Professional Readiness

1:00-2:20

Rewarding Excellence: Aligning Global Talent Strategy with Business Value

WEDNESDAY

NOON

Classroom to Consulting: The Impact of Freeman Students in the Region's Business Community

THURSDAY

NOON

Trends in Institutional Investing

NOON

Industry Trends in Professional Skincare

5 PM

Beyond Stocks & Bonds: Discovering the World of Alternative Investment

FRIDAY

11 AM

Why the 'Human Element' Remains the Most Valuable Asset in Wealth Management

CAREER CONVERSATIONS

MONDAY

12:00-12:45

Real Estate

TUESDAY

9:00-9:45 10:00-10:45

Government Consulting

2:30-3:15 4:00-4:45

Talent Strategy & Human Capital

WEDNESDAY

2:30-3:15

From Athletics to Entrepreneurship & Consulting

THURSDAY

1:00-1:45

Communications Campaigns

1:00-1:45

Thriving in the Beauty Industry

2:30-3:15

Investing and Private Markets

FRIDAY

10:00-10:45

Alternative Investments



ANA ARSOV P'28
Chief Investment Officer,
Bright Fame Holdings LLC

Ana is a senior financial services executive, a prominent public speaker, and banking and private credit expert.

She is a senior advisor and operating partner at HPS Investment partners (part of Blackrock), an independent board director for TD Bank Group and Chief Investment Officer of her family office based in Connecticut. Ana is also advisory board member of the Freeman College of Management at Bucknell University and member of the global board of “Room to Read” a leading global educational not-for-profit organization.

With 25 years of experience and thorough leadership in the financial services industry, encompassing risk management, research, and ratings, Ana has demonstrated strategic acumen and analytical rigor, as well as a deep understanding of financial markets, regulation, and a keen interest in corporate governance best practices.

Anna Cristini is a consultant, serving clients within Deloitte Consulting LLP’s Government & Public Services (GPS) practice, with a focus on Organization & Workforce Transformation. Anna primarily supports public sector clients in the development and delivery of strategic communications plans and vigorous training and exercise programs. Anna brings experience in change management, program and process design, stakeholder engagement, and data-driven communication enablement to her clients. Anna graduated from Bucknell University in 2022 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. She remains an active member of the Bucknell community through recruiting and student mentorship.



ANNA CRISTINI '22
Government Consultant,
Deloitte



ADAM SMALLEY '94

Managing Director, FCC Capital

As an Investment Executive and Lead Portfolio Manager, Adam has extensive global experience across multiple asset classes including public and private markets.

Known for building teams and delivering superior investment returns, Adam has deep expertise in private debt, liquid credit, private equity, hedge funds, venture capital, and other alternative asset classes.

Serving on the global leadership team, Adam helped build a private debt business that scaled from zero to \$20 billion in four years while generating significant alpha.

He was also the sole, lead portfolio manager of an alternatives portfolio that grew from zero to \$2.5 billion and focused on innovative investment strategies, including venture capital (artificial intelligence VC, digital economy, life sciences, ag-tech) and non-correlated strategies (insurance-linked securities, professional sports, royalties), also generating significant alpha.

In addition, Adam regularly speaks at industry events including TIDE SPARK 2023 (Dana Point, CA) and Insurance Insider ILS 2024 (London, UK).

Andy has 30 years of leadership with the last 23 years working in real estate investment and land. He currently serves as the SVP of Land Acquisition in Colorado for KB Home, the #1 customer-ranked national homebuilder. He's also served in executive roles for other homebuilders and private developers and started his own real estate investment and consulting company. In his land development tenure, Andy acquired, designed, and built over 20,000 residential lots worth many hundreds of millions. Prior to real estate in Colorado, he spent 3 years doing operations and construction management for Corning Incorporated in Corning, NY. Andy also served as an officer in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. He graduated Cum Laude with Honors from Bucknell in 1996 with a BS in Civil Engineering, earned Army ROTC Distinguished Graduate and Patriot League Scholar Athlete of the Year for Men's Lacrosse 1996.

His primary community involvement is coaching lacrosse, with over 12 years leading youth and high school teams, including head coach for a Colorado high school and several Team 91 travel teams. He's helped numerous young men achieve their dream of playing at the college level. He was awarded Colorado's Coach of the Year in 2021.



ANDREW TRIETLEY '96

Executive in real estate investment, land development, and homebuilding



BRAD LANGER '96, P'26, P'29
Partner, Brown Brothers
Harriman & Co

Brad Langer is a General Partner of Brown Brothers Harriman & Co. (BBH) and oversees BBHCP, the Private Equity investment division of BBH. Brad has 27 years of experience in the Private Equity industry. Within BBHCP, Brad focuses on investing activities, including deal sourcing, investment evaluation, transaction execution and providing post-investment value-added oversight to portfolio companies. Brad has day-to-day management responsibility for BBHCP. Brad sits on the board of directors of PrimeRevenue, Clever Devices, American Spraytech, GIFTED Healthcare, Quest Technology Management, The Granite Group, RPM Group and Dreamliner. Brad sits on BBH's Capital Partners Oversight Committee and Asset Management Risk Oversight Committee. Prior to joining BBH, Brad was actively involved in evaluating and managing private equity and mezzanine investments at Whitney & Co. and Paribas Capital Funding. Brad received a B.S.B.A. in accounting and finance from Bucknell University.

Brian Herf is the co-owner of Intracellular Beauty, LLC (ICB), a new professional beauty company. Brian is passionate about making a difference in the world, and views ICB's brand, Ayucell™ as a vehicle to propel the beauty industry forward and elevate the standard of healthy aging. Brian has spent his nearly 25 years of professional experience in consumer goods. Ranging from the sourcing ingredients and manufacturing food products, to working with \$50 million advertising budgets, to leading marketing teams across international markets, Brian has a solid understanding of what it takes to make a business successful. He has also worked across categories such as food and beverages, household goods, pet food, dietary supplements, and cosmetics at companies such as PepsiCo, Kimberly Clark, Nestle and Revlon. Over the last 14 years, Brian has held key roles in global cosmetic companies and sees a massive opportunity for Ayucell to make a difference for both beauty professionals and consumers. Brian lives in Denver, Colorado and holds an M.B.A. from Washington University in St. Louis and graduated from Bucknell in 1999 with a B.S. in Chemical Engineering.



BRIAN HERFF '99
Managing Director,
Intracellular Beauty



CASEY GALLIGAN '95
Partner, Ares Wealth
Management Solutions

Casey Galligan is a Partner and Co-Head of US within Ares Wealth Management Solutions, which oversees Ares' client management activities in the global wealth channel. Prior to joining Ares in 2021, he was a Managing Director, National Sales Manager at Black Creek Capital Markets, where he was responsible for hiring, training and leading a distribution team of the firm's regional consultants. Additionally, he was responsible for the team's activity in the eastern region, along with supporting the firm's relationships with wirehouses. Previously, Mr. Galligan was a Managing Director in the Wealth Management Division at Morgan Stanley & Co. During his time at Morgan Stanley, he served in various sales and product management roles within the capital markets and investment resources departments contributing to the firm's publications and speaking at client events around the country. In addition, Mr. Galligan worked at Deutsche Asset Management for RREEF Property Trust. Mr. Galligan holds a B.A. from Bucknell University in Economics.

Claire Burton is a 2022 graduate of Bucknell University, where she was an active leader in the campus community and a dedicated supporter of student wellness initiatives. Claire currently serves as an Associate at Apollo Global Management, where she applies her analytical skills and collaborative approach to support the firm's investment and operational goals. Prior to joining Apollo, she spent approximately two and a half years at JPMorgan in Private Banking, specifically working within the Financial Institutions Group. This experience provided her with a deep foundation in bespoke financial solutions and client strategy for sophisticated institutional clients. With a commitment to professional development and mentorship, Claire is heavily involved in campus recruitment and career conversations. Having successfully navigated the move from a major banking institution to a global alternative asset manager, she is particularly passionate about sharing insights with students regarding career transitions and the evolving landscape of financial services.



CLAIRE BURTON '22
Associate, Apollo Global
Management



DAVE SHARPE P'24
Retired Partner, PwC

Dave became an Adjunct Professor of Accounting, following a 38-year career at PwC (including 28 years as a partner). In addition to instructing at Baruch College and Kean University, he actively contributes to career management through experiential learning presentations and student and early-career coaching as well as CPA pipeline initiatives at several colleges and universities.

Prior to joining Baruch and Kean, Dave instructed at Berkeley College in Woodland Park, NJ.

At PwC, Dave held major audit roles, including serving as lead partner on high-profile retail & consumer clients, serving as a technical consulting partner, and leading the development of audit policy & methodology guidance and related communications. Throughout his career, Dave was deeply involved in coaching and mentoring partners and staff, as well as PwC's campus recruiting and learning & development program instruction.

Dave holds a BS in Accounting from the University of Scranton and has been a CPA since 1987. Dave has served on the Freeman College of Management Advisory Board and the Parents Association Board of Directors.

Keith Lockwood is a Managing Director in the Healthcare Investment Banking Group at Wells Fargo Corporate & Investment Bank. With over two decades of experience in the sector, Mr. Lockwood specializes in client coverage for Outpatient and Alternate Site Healthcare Services Providers.

Prior to joining Wells Fargo, Mr. Lockwood spent over a decade at Jefferies, where he served as a Managing Director in the Global Healthcare Investment Banking Group. His career also includes significant tenures at UBS Investment Bank, where he focused on the healthcare sector as an Executive Director, and at PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP within the Business Advisory Services Group.

Mr. Lockwood graduated from Bucknell University in 1996 with a BS/BA in Accounting. He is a Certified Public Accountant and remains an active member of the Bucknell community.



KEITH LOCKWOOD '96
Managing Director, Healthcare
Investment Banking
Wells Fargo Corporate &
Investment Bank



KURT SKVARLA '10
Financial Advisor, Becker
Wealth Management

Kurt Skvarla is a financial professional based in Irwin, Pennsylvania, currently serving as a partner at Becker Wealth Management. As a CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ professional, he focuses on providing comprehensive investment and financial services to help clients navigate their long-term financial goals. Professional Experience & Expertise With over 15 years of experience in the financial services industry, Kurt has built a career centered on wealth management and retirement planning. His professional background includes:

- **Wealth Management:** Providing tailored investment strategies and financial guidance.
- **Certifications:** He holds the CFP® designation, reflecting a commitment to high ethical standards and competency in financial planning.
- **Affiliations:** He is actively involved in the local business community and is a member of the Norwin Chamber of Commerce.

Nicole Bonsignore is a Partner at Apollo where she has helped steward the organization's human capital efforts over the past 15 years. Nicole has played a critical role in the growth and evolution of Apollo's workforce and the modernization of the firm's culture. She has led the development of multiple company-wide strategic initiatives focused on talent acquisition, cultivation and retention of top talent, culture, expanding opportunity, employee relations, as well as training and development. Nicole currently leads Human Capital for Apollo's Equity Business, and she is the Global Head of Talent Strategy. Prior to joining Apollo, she was a Vice President at Neuberger Berman responsible for the Recruiting and Training & Development team. Nicole joined Neuberger after spending 8 years at Lehman Brothers where she served as the Head of Associate and Analyst Programs for the Investment Management Division. Nicole started her career at Lehman Brothers as an Investment Banking Analyst in the Consumer & Retail group and she also spent several years as an Equity Research Associate covering Transports & Logistics. In addition to her areas of focus at Apollo, Nicole serves on the Board of Directors of ADT (NYSE: ADT), one of the nation's leading providers of home and business security solutions. She is also a member of the New York Advisory Board for America Needs You (ANY). Nicole graduated from Bucknell University where she received a BA in Economics. She resides in New Jersey with her husband and two daughters.



NICOLE BONSIGNORE '00
Partner -
Apollo Global Management



ROBIN POLINER SUSKIND '94
Managing director, KBW, a
Stifel Company

Robin P. Suskind joined KBW in 2012 when it was acquired by Stifel. Previously, she was a Managing Director at Stifel and earlier in her career worked at Ryan Beck until it was also acquired by Stifel. For Robin's entire career of 30 years, she has worked with community banks throughout the country but primarily focusing on banks in the northeast and mid-atlantic regions of the United States. She serves as a co-head of the Mutual Conversion Group at KBW and has held that position since joining KBW. She has raised over \$23 billion in equity for over 200 mutual savings banks in the US and has led all of the largest transactions. Ms. Suskind was selected as one of Investment Dealers' Digest's "Top 40 Under 40" in 2006. She received a BS in Business Administration from Bucknell University in 1994. She lives in New Jersey with her husband and their three children.

Sarah Monteleone is a 2022 graduate of Bucknell University's Freeman College of Management, where she majored in finance.

During her time at Bucknell, Sarah was a dedicated student-athlete as a member of the Division I Women's Lacrosse team. Her collegiate career was marked by both athletic and academic excellence, including multiple selections to the Patriot League Academic Honor Roll and the Dean's List. This background instilled in her a foundational mastery of teamwork and time management, balancing the rigors of a competitive athletic schedule with specialized studies in finance.

Prior to joining Apollo, Sarah spent over two years as a Private Wealth Management Analyst at Goldman Sachs. In this role, she honed her technical acumen and client-service orientation, managing complex financial profiles and navigating the intricacies of the global markets. Today, she brings that same competitive drive, analytical focus, and depth of industry experience to her work within the financial services team at Apollo Global Management.



SARAH MONTELEONE '22
Associate at Apollo Global
Management



Sophie Granbois is a consultant, serving clients within Deloitte Consulting LLP's Government & Public Services (GPS) practice, with a focus on Human Services Transformation. Sophie has provided functional support to a variety of initiatives on an integrated eligibility project, assisting with activities at all phases of the software development lifecycle. Sophie is experienced in system design, technical documentation, and deliverable production. Sophie graduated from Bucknell University in 2022 with a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering. She remains an active member of the Bucknell community through recruiting.

SOPHIE GRANBIOS '22
Consultant, Deloitte

Steven Stumbris is the Director of the Bucknell University Small Business Development Center (SBDC). Under his leadership, the center has helped thousands of businesses to prosper, launched community-based StartUp business incubators in Lewisburg, Danville, and Milton - and has twice been recognized by the U.S. Small Business Administration with the "Excellence and Innovation Award" for Pennsylvania. Steve founded BizPitch: Bucknell's student startup competition and serves as a Fellow for the Perricelli-Gegnass Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation.

Steve serves on the boards of the Lewisburg Downtown Partnership, Central Pennsylvania Workforce Development Corporation, and the Greater Susquehanna Valley Chamber of Commerce. He hosted and co-produced WVIA Television's Keystone Edition Business program, which featured stories on Pennsylvania's entrepreneurs, innovators, and business leaders. He holds a Master of Professional Studies in Community and Economic Development from Penn State University and a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Cornell University.



STEVE STUMBRIS
Director, Bucknell University
Small Business Development
Center



SCOTT SEHON '00 P'29
Fractional CFO for High Growth Companies

Scott Sehon is a seasoned financial strategist and the founder of Mod 4 Finance, specializing in partnering with CEOs and Boards of high-growth companies to transform their financial infrastructure into a driver of scale. Based in the Washington D.C.-Baltimore area, Scott provides the sophisticated oversight of a full-time CFO on a fractional basis, ensuring that startups and medium-sized businesses have the financial clarity needed to succeed. With a deep focus on complex financial modeling and corporate governance, Scott excels at building fully integrated systems tailored to unique operational variables. His expertise spans multi-year budgeting, metrics dashboards for cross-functional teams (Sales, Marketing, and Customer Success), and the implementation of rigorous corporate controls. Currently serving as Fractional CFO for a diverse portfolio of innovative companies—including Andy's Pizza, The Ad Hoc Group, Add1Zero, and Listen Network—Scott is a trusted advisor known for driving increased cash flow and operational excellence. He is a proud alumnus of Bucknell University and a dedicated member of the Bucknell alumni community.

Tracey Gray is an accomplished communications and external affairs executive with an extensive background in the defense and aerospace industries. Currently serving as the Vice President of Communications and External Affairs at Raytheon (now part of RTX), he leads a comprehensive portfolio that includes public relations, digital media, employee communications, and public affairs. His leadership is central to supporting the company's efforts in advanced sensors, cyber, and software solutions, and global training initiatives, ensuring a cohesive and strategic voice for one of the world's largest defense contractors.

Tracey's career at Raytheon spans several high-impact roles, showcasing his versatility in both operational and strategic functions. Before his current appointment, he was the VP of Communications and Public Affairs for Raytheon's Space and Airborne Systems arm. His experience also includes serving as the VP of Communications for Global Business Development and the Director for Public Affairs.



TRACEY GRAY '99
Vice President,
Communications, Raytheon



Trey Lauletta '15
Manager, Deloitte

Trey Lauletta is a manager, serving clients within Deloitte Consulting LLP's Government & Public Services (GPS) practice, with a focus on Strategy.

Trey advises public sector clients on developing strategies and solutions to improve organizational effectiveness. Trey has supported clients with strategic planning, program management, business process redesign, digital transformation, product development, and application modernization. Trey graduated from Bucknell University in 2015 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and was a member of the varsity football team. He remains an active member of the Bucknell community through recruiting and student mentorship.

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