# CIARA WACKER

M.S. QUANTITATIVE FINANCE

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### PROFILE SUMMARY

M.S. Quantitative Finance candidate with research experience in statistical analysis and data modeling, seeking opportunities in financial risk management, quantitative analysis, or trading. Combines strong technical skills with collaborative research experience and proven leadership abilities.

## **EDUCATION**

## FORDHAM GABELLI SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

#### Entering August 2025

- M.S. Quantitative Finance
- Awarded the Dean's Scholarship

## TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN September 2021 - May 2025

- First Class Honours, BA (Hons)
   Psychology
- Relevant Coursework: Statistics & Methodology I, II, III (First Class Honours)

## SKILLS

- Programing & Software: Python (NumPy, pandas, scikit-learn, matplotlib, statsmodels). Excel (Advanced)
- Quantitative Methods: Statistical Analysis, Time Series Analysis, Financial Modeling, Monte Carlo Simulation, Stochastic Processes, Quantitative Research, Portfolio Optimization, Risk Metrics (VaR, CVaR)
- Research & Communication: Quantitative Research Design,
   Critical Thinking, Data-Driven Decision Making, Communicating
   Complex Data to Diverse Audiences, Collaborative Problem
   Solving

## CERTIFICATES

## CERTIFICATE IN QUANTITATIVE FINANCE (CQF)

#### Expected June 2025

- Coursework and examinations completed; final project anticipated June 2025
- Core Competencies: Quantitative Risk
   Management, Derivatives Pricing, Fixed Income
   Analysis, Data Science & Machine Learning.

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

#### **Trinity Centre for Global Health**

Youth Co-Researcher

OCTOBER 2022-PRESENT

- Conducted data extraction, statistical analysis, and manuscript development for peer-reviewed research.
- Co-authored publications in respected journals.
- Presented research findings and contributed to guideline development for adolescent involvement in research.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Warraitch, A., Wacker, C., Biju, S., Lee, M., Bruce, D., Curran, P., Khraisha, Q., & Hadfield, K. (2024).
   Positive impacts of adolescent involvement in health research: An umbrella review. *Journal of Adolescent Health*, 75(2), 218-230. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jadohealth.2024.02.029
- Warraitch, A., Wacker, C., Bruce, D., Bourke, A., & Hadfield, K. (2024). A rapid review on the involvement
  of adolescents in health research. Health Expectations, 27(3), e14058.
   https://doi.org/10.1111/hex.14058
- Warraitch, A., Wacker, C., Buckley, E., Bourke, A., & Hadfield, K. (2024). How to address the barriers to meaningful adolescent involvement in health research: A qualitative study. *Journal of Research on Adolescence*, 34(4), 1626-1641. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1111/jora.13031">https://doi.org/10.1111/jora.13031</a>
- Warraitch, A., Sulowska, M., Wacker, C., Lee, M., Bruce, D., Hernon, J., Khraisha, Q., & Hadfield, K. (2025).
   Involving adolescents in evidence syntheses: An umbrella review. Systematic Reviews, 14, <a href="https://doi.org/10.1186/s13643-025-02815-1">https://doi.org/10.1186/s13643-025-02815-1</a>
- Warraitch, A., Lee, M., Bruce, D., Curran, P., Khraisha, Q., Wacker, C., Hernon, J., & Hadfield, K. (2024). An umbrella review of reviews on challenges to meaningful adolescent involvement in health research. *Health Expectations*, 27(1), e13980. https://doi.org/10.1111/hex.13980
- Warraitch, A., Reynolds, M., Pidgeon, D., Wacker, C., Hadfield, K., & Bourke, A. (in progress). Ethical
  considerations for participatory research with children and adolescents in bullying research: A rapid
  review. Manuscript in preparation. OSF.

## LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES

DU Dance Society2024 - 2025Workshop Officer2023 - 2025Trinity Intervarsity Dance Team2023 - 2025

Competitive Dancer

DU International Student Society 2022 - 2024

Public Relations Officer