

# ATHARVA SINGH

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## EDUCATION

**Oberoi International School (OGC), Mumbai, India;**

- *International Baccalaureate Diploma Program, Grade 12;*

- *International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program, Grade 9 & 10;*

2011 - Present

2023 - Present

2021 - 2023

## STANDARDIZED TESTS

SAT

2024

IELTS

2024

## ACADEMIC AWARDS AND HONOURS

- MYP Merit Award for consistently achieving 40+ points in MYP Grade 10 2023
- International Finance Olympiad award for being ranked 1st statewide, finalist at National Level 2024
- International Economics Olympiad for ranking top 5 in the economics test 2024
- Bretton Woods International Economics Championship Award for Best Team in Microeconomics and Macroeconomics 2024

## FINANCIAL LITERACY INITIATIVE

2023 - Present

**FinanceFuture, Mumbai, India**

*Founder and Director*

- Mentored 30 students, teaching fundamentals of Finance and Economics through interactive workshops.
- Created and managed regular content on Instagram, LinkedIn, Udemy, YouTube, and the FinanceFuture website, reaching a global audience.
- Hosted 6 Speaker Series featuring industry professionals to provide insights to students.
- Taught financial literacy in public schools, spreading financial education to over 30 countries and initiating microfinance projects for refugees in Turkey and India.

## ECONOMICS AND FINANCE EXPERIENCES

*Research:*

**Regional Disparities in Microfinance Penetration, Bangalore, India** 2024

*Independent Research under BSS Microfinance*

Conducted independent research comparing microfinance access between Karnataka and Bihar, integrating primary data from BSS Microfinance field visits and secondary research to assess the social and economic impacts of microfinance.

**China Offsetting the Malacca Dilemma, Mumbai, India** 2024

*Independent Research under Mr. Jaibal Naduvath, Vice President and Senior Fellow of ORF*

Analyzed China's strategic initiatives to reduce reliance on the Malacca Strait for energy imports, including alternatives like the Northern Sea Route and China-Pakistan Economic Corridor, assessing the geopolitical and economic implications of these strategies.

**Role of Central Banks in Managing the Monetary Policy, Mumbai, India (www.jsr.org)** 2023

*Independent Research*

Published research on the role of central banks in stabilizing economies, with a detailed analysis of policy impacts on economic growth and inflation, and applied statistical tools to evaluate the effectiveness of various monetary policies.

*Internships:*

**Kotak Mahindra Bank, Mumbai, India** 2023

*Summer Intern under Mr. Indusekhar Khandavalli, Vice President, Human Resources*

Completed a comprehensive week-long internship across different departments, gaining insights into diverse banking operations, finance, marketing, and risk management.

**BSS Microfinance, Mumbai, India** 2024

Developed and implemented questionnaires to gather insights from the Head Office and village-level operations. Conducted field research in Bangalore and Bihar, studying microfinance's impact on local entrepreneurs and underrepresented groups.

*Online Courses:*

- **Financial Markets**, final grade of 98% in 7 week online course, Yale University 2023
- **Game Theory**, final grade of 94% in 3 week online course, Stanford University 2023
- **Introduction to Statistics**, final grade of 90% in 3 week online course, Stanford University 2023
- **Introduction to Finance and Accounting**, Specialization Course by Wharton University 2023
  - **Fundamentals of Finance**, final grade of 95% in 1 week online course
  - **Introduction to Corporate Finance**, final grade of 90% in 1 week online course
  - **Introduction to Financial Accounting**, final grade of 80% in 1 week online course
  - **More Introduction to Financial Accounting**, final grade of 85% in 1 week online course

# INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE

## *Leadership:*

**Global Issues Network (GIN) Club**, Mumbai, India 2023

*Ambassador and Director*

Founded a club focused on environmental awareness through social media and on-ground activities such as plastic drives and environmental education, developing leadership and teamwork skills.

## *Internship:*

**Observer Research Foundation (ORF)**, Mumbai, India 2024

*Summer Intern under Mr. Jaibal Naduvath, Vice President and Senior Fellow*

Conducted research on Asia-Pacific dynamics, focusing on China's Belt and Road Initiative, alternative trade routes, and the Malacca Dilemma, while collaborating with UC Berkeley and UCLA undergraduates and contributing to internal presentations.

**Alma Mater Biz Solutions PLC**, Mumbai, India 2024

Researched ESG compliance, identified industry best practices, and provided insights to enhance Alma Mater's advisory services.

## *Online Courses:*

**Global Diplomacy - Diplomacy in a Modern World**, final grade of 97.6% in 5 week online course, University of London 2024

## SUMMER PROGRAMS

**Harvard Young Leadership Program**, Mumbai, India 2023

Developed leadership and cross-cultural communication skills through workshops led by Harvard faculty, applying these concepts in real-world scenarios.

**Ashoka Young Scholars Program**, Panipat, Haryana 2024

- Participated in the Advanced + EPS program, focusing on economic concepts, behavioral economics, and policy-making.
- Engaged in workshops on abnormal psychology, sociology, and decision-making, enhancing critical thinking and analytical skills.
- Developed computational thinking, including data management and machine learning.
- Networked with peers and faculty, gaining insights into economics, policy, and society.

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH

**Relay for Life**, Mumbai, India 2023 - 2024

*Finance Head*

Raised funds for Tata Memorial Hospital through school-led events, contributing to cancer awareness and treatment.

**World For All NGO**, Mumbai, India 2018 - 2019

*Volunteer*

Organized a fundraiser for the sterilization of dogs and raised awareness on animal welfare

**Mission C** 2023 - 2024

*Director*

Led a cancer awareness campaign raising \$3500+ for Tata Memorial Hospital through school events, establishing relationships with NGOs and local businesses to amplify awareness.

**EngIn Program** 2023 - Present

*Volunteer*

Delivered engaging online English lessons to Ukrainian students, enhancing their language proficiency and fostering cross-cultural connections.

## SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS

**Basketball** 2018 - Present

Represented Oberoi International School in National Competitions, securing 5 titles and ranking 386 in the FIBA 3x3 Competition.

**Taekwondo** 2012 - 2016

Red 1 Belt certified by the World Taekwondo Federation, secured 3rd place in the Suburban Club Championship (U-45Kg category).

## BLOGS 2024

Authored six blogs covering key financial topics such as AI and machine learning in trading, decentralized finance (DeFi), behavioral finance, emerging stock markets, the impact of climate change on investments, and a comparison of cryptocurrencies with traditional stocks for portfolio diversification.

## INTERESTS

**Acoustic Guitar** 2022 - Present

Completed Trinity Plectrum Guitar Grade Initial and Grade 1 with Distinction.

**Music**

Passionate about playing acoustic guitar and enjoy listening to rap, hip hop, soul, and R&B.