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MEET THE SPEAKERS

FINANCE



MAURICIO PADRON

Bachelors Degree in Finance

Vice President of Finance and Controller, HealthCare.com

Mauricio's path into finance didn't start with a five-year plan — it started with a degree in Finance and a willingness to take the first job offered to him: a financial analyst role at Bank of America. He spent those early years learning the language of spreadsheets, audits, and investor reports, often staying late to understand not just the numbers, but the story behind them.

That curiosity carried him through promotion after promotion: senior analyst, finance manager, and eventually Controller and Vice President of Finance at HealthCare.com, a fast-scaling health insurance technology company. In that role, Mauricio helped build the financial infrastructure behind one of the company's biggest milestones — raising more than \$200 million from institutional investors, including Oaktree Capital.

CULINARY ARTS

**Translator will be on site*



CECILIA OSPINO

English Language Student at Atlantis University and Culinary Arts Degree from Escuela Aranda Formacion Madrid - Trained Chef from Madrid, Spain

Cecilia Ospino built her culinary career through formal training and real-world execution at the highest level. She earned her degree in culinary arts from Escuela Aranda Formación in Madrid, where she trained in the technical foundations of professional cooking and the discipline of running a serious kitchen. From there, Cecilia became Head Chef for a private, wealthy family based in Madrid — a role that put her in charge of every meal from concept to plate. She was responsible for meal design, preparation, and execution across the family's primary residence and their yacht, traveling frequently throughout Europe to source ingredients in advance so that every meal matched the occasion. Running a private kitchen at that level meant managing far more than recipes. Cecilia accommodated dietary restrictions, allergies, and nutritional requirements across family members, staff, and guests, while overseeing the kitchen's full inventory — monitoring stock levels and handling grocery orders. She coordinated closely with household staff to ensure every meal service ran seamlessly, and stepped in to manage and mentor other kitchen staff when needed.

Now she's coming to the U.S. to study English at Atlantis University — with her sights set on returning to Spain upon graduation to make her mark on its restaurant industry

REAL ESTATE



JAVIER UBEDA

Bachelors Degree in Business Administration

Real Estate Investment Broker, Compass Real Estate

Javier didn't graduate with a real estate license or a built-in network — he graduated with a business degree and a willingness to make cold calls. His first year in real estate was filled with rejection: deals that fell through, clients who never called back, and commission checks that barely covered rent.

He kept going. Javier studied multifamily investment sales specifically, learning the financial side of real estate as closely as the marketing side, and slowly built a reputation as a broker who did the homework other agents skipped. Deal by deal, referral by referral, he became one of the top-performing multifamily brokers in Florida, now operating under Compass, one of the largest real estate brokerages in the country. Javier's story isn't about a lucky break — it's about showing up every day, especially the days nobody's watching. He wants our students and families to understand that persistence, more than talent, is often the real difference-maker in a career.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION



STACEY DEES

Child Development Associate and Director Credential

Regional Director, Bright Beginnings Early Learning Centers

Stacey's first classroom was a room full of toddlers — and she fell in love with the work before her first week was over. She earned her credentials in early childhood education while teaching full-time, determined to understand not just how to manage a classroom, but how to truly help children grow.

Her dedication didn't go unnoticed. Within a few years, Stacey was promoted to Assistant Director, then Director of her own campus, where she rebuilt curriculum standards and trained a new generation of teachers. Her campus became known for its strong family relationships and consistent academic growth, and soon, leadership asked her to take on more. As Regional Director, Stacey now oversees a network of schools across Texas, supporting directors, shaping curriculum, and making sure every classroom gets the same care she gave her very first group of three-year-olds. Her story is proof that a love for teaching can grow into a career that shapes hundreds of classrooms.

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