

Reading List for Students Interested in Careers in Financial Services

Everyday Reading (stay up-to-date on markets and business opportunities)

- [*Wall Street Journal*](#) (minimum – left column, front of Section B, and two other interesting articles)
- [*Barron's*](#) every Saturday

General Books that will help you understand Wall Street

- *Wall Street Primer: The Players, Deals, and Mechanics of the U.S. Securities Markets* (Pedersen)
- *Understanding Wall Street* (Little and Rhodes)
- *A Random Walk Down Wall Street* (Malkiel)
- *Investment Banks, Hedge Funds, and Private Equity* (Stowell)

General Investing

- *The Intelligent Investor: The Definitive Book on Value Investing* (Graham)
- *The Essays of Warren Buffet: Lessons for Corporate America* (Buffet and Cunningham)
- *The Snowball: Warrant Buffett and the Business of Life* (Schroeder)
- *Thinking Fast and Slow* (Kahneman)
- *Market Wizards: Interviews with Top Traders* (Schwager)
- *Stock Market Investing for Beginners* (Atwood)

Commercial Books that will help you understand historical events that shaped the industry

- *Barbarians at the Gate: The Fall of RJR Nabisco* (Burrough and Helyar) – The rise of Private Equity and the Leveraged Buyout
- *Liar's Poker* (Lewis) – 80's bond market
- *Den of Thieves* (Stewart) – Insider trading
- *When Genius Failed: The Rise and Fall of Long-Term Capital Management* (Lowenstein) – Hedge funds
- *Too Big to Fail: The Insider Story of How Wall Street and Washington Fought to Save Wall Street—and Themselves* (Sorkin)
- *The Big Short: Inside the Doomsday Machine* (Lewis)

Credit Investing/Fixed Income

- *The Bond Book: Everything Investors Need to Know About Treasuries, Municipals, GNMMAs, Corporates, Zeros, Bond Funds, Money Market Funds, and More* (Thau)
- *Handbook of Fixed Income Securities* (Fabozzi)
- *Inside the Yield Curve: The Classic That Created the Science of Bond Analysis* (Leibowitz)
- *Distressed Debt Analysis: Strategies for Speculative Investors* (Moyer)
- *Step by Step Bond Investing: A Beginners Guide to the Best Investment and Safety in the Bond Market* (Hogue)

Equity Investing/Valuation

- *Equity Asset Valuation, CFA Institute Investment Series* (Pinto, Henry, Robinson, Stowe)
- *Equity Valuation and Portfolio Management* (Fabozzi)
- *The Investor's Guide to Equities: Equity Pricing, Trading and Investing* (Veale)

Investing in Companies

- *Investing in the Next Big Thing: How to Invest in Startups and Equity Crowdfunding Like an Angel Investor* (Hogue)
- *Good to Great* (Collins)
- *HBR Guide to Buying a Small Business* (Ruback and Yudkoff)
- *Private Equity at Work: When Wall Street Manages Main Street* (Appelbaum and Batt)