BLOCKCHAIN SECONDARY CONCENTRATION

Notable Alumni and Faculty

Alumni

Several Fordham alumni are experts in blockchain across the spectrum of careers:

- Boris Alergant, Executive Director and Head of DeFi at Ripple (https://www.linkedin.com/in/borisalergant/)
- Anthony Apollo, Executive Director of the Wyoming Stable Token (former Co-Founder & CEO of Rensa Games; former Co-Founder and Operations Lead of ConsenSys Sports and former Universe Architect of Cellarius, two ConsenSys spokes; Former Co-Founder and Operations Lead at Saffron Solutions LLC (Project lead on Spencer Dinwiddie Professional Athlete Investment Token (PAInT) launch); https://www.linkedin.com/in/anthony-apollo/)
- John Belitsky, Co-Founder & Chief Strategy Officer of Balcony Technology Group & President/CEO of Abraham + Martin (https://www.linkedin.com/in/johnbelitsky/)
- Michael Bucella, Co-Founder & Managing Partner at Neoclassic Capital, Member of Board of Directors at TeraWulf (former General Partner at BlockTower Capital; https://www.linkedin.com/in/michael-bucella-3021137/)
- Brian Farber, Deputy General Counsel at Highgate (former General Counsel at Securitize; former Legal Counsel at ConsenSys; https://www.linkedin.com/in/brian-farber-1bab7558/)
- Daniel Hodd, Co-Founder & Venture Partner at IDEO CoLab Ventures and Co-Founder & General Partner at Digital Asset Investment Company (former Project Lead & SME in Blockchain & Digital Assets at Citi; https://www.linkedin.com/in/danielhodd/)
- Jean-Philippe Innocent, Chief Commercial Officer at Who's Holding Co. (former Global Blockchain Business Council Ambassador to Haiti; former Conseiller Spécial Blockchain for the Haitian Ministry of Commerce and Industry; former Co-Founder & COO of Artbit; (https://www.linkedin.com/in/jinnocent/)
- Joyce Lai, Founder & Creator of the Charisma Social Project; Strategic Advisor at XvsX Sports; Founding Member of Ready Player DAO; Strategic Advisor at EthTrust Inc.; Co-Founder of the Fordham Law Blockchain Regulatory Symposium; Former Law and Technology Counsel at ConsenSys; https://www.linkedin.com/in/joyce-lai-a907647/)
- Sean O'Connor, Chief of Staff at Blocknative Corporation and Board of Advisor Member for NiftyApes (former Product Lead of ConsenSys Sports and former Director of Marketing of Cellarius, two ConsenSys spokes; Former Co-Founder and Product Lead at Saffron Solutions LLC, former Project lead on Spencer Dinwiddie Professional Athlete Investment Token (PAInT) launch; https://www.linkedin.com/in/aseoconnor/)
- Amy Oldenburg, Managing Director & Head of Emerging Markets Equity at Morgan Stanley Investment Management; Independent Director at Abhi (YC S21) (https://www.linkedin.com/in/amyoldenburg/)
- Erica Palaia, Senior Counsel of Partnerships at Paxos (https://www.linkedin.com/in/ericampalaia/)
- Mateusz Plaza, Co-Founder at Fennel Labs (https://www.linkedin.com/in/mateusz-p-6b126424/)
- Donna Redel, CEO Founder of Strategic 50, Board Member of New York Angels and The Wall Street Blockchain, Advisor to Securitize, Member of The Digital Chamber of Commerce (former Managing Director at the World Economic Forum and former Chair of The Commodity Exchange; https://www.linkedin.com/in/donna-redel-92652653/)
- Michael Rinko, Research Analyst at Delphi Digital (former investment analyst at Pervalle Global; https://www.linkedin.com/in/michaelrinko)
- Joshua Q. Israel Satten, Senior Director – Global Client Partner at Cognizant (former Senior Director - Blockchain Partner, Service Transformation (CTO Office) at Wipro Ltd. and former Senior Managing Director – Head of Operations at Protego Trust; https://www.linkedin.com/in/joshua-q/)
- Brett Shear, Managing Partner at PTC Crypto, a venture capital fund investing in the decentralized creator economy (Co-Founder & COO at Fleek, a modern web development platform for building sites and apps on IPFS; Former Co-Founder & Strategic Director at Balanc3, a ConsenSys spoke; Former Co-Founder & President of Fordham FinTech Network; https://www.linkedin.com/in/brett-shear-8b553199/)
- Markus Veith, National Leader, Digital Assets, Blockchain & web3 Industry Practice and Partner-in-charge of the Northeast Financial Institutions Practice at Grant Thornton (https://www.linkedin.com/in/markus-veith-b666931/)
- Gregory Xethalis, General Counsel (and former Chief Compliance Officer) at Multicoin Capital; Director at Association for Digital Asset Markets (ADAM) (former Partner at Chapman & Cutler LLP; https://www.linkedin.com/in/xethalis/)

Faculty

- Benjamin M. Cole, Ph.D. is the William J. Loschert Endowed Chair in Entrepreneurship, an Inducted Fellow of the British Blockchain Association, Advisory Council Member of the CNBC Disruptor 50, "Top 50 Undergraduate Business Professor" Designee by Poets & Quants, and Advisor to Rensa Games and Fennel Labs (Former Co-Founder and Education Lead at Saffron Solutions LLC, Former Advisor on Spencer Dinwiddie Professional Athlete Investment Token (PAInT) launch, Former Advisor to ConsenSys spokes Cellarius and ConsenSys Sports, and Former Organizer of the Blockchain Disruptor Conference) (https://www.linkedin.com/in/benjaminmcole/)
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