

# Aaria Chandwani

Research Assistant

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Economics and data science student at Claremont McKenna College (GPA 3.84) with internship experience in CRM rebuilds, EV infrastructure strategy, and AI-assisted tooling. Founder of the Girls Into VC chapter at CMC.

## EXPERIENCE

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| <b>Research Assistant</b><br>Financial Economics Institute at CMC<br>Built a 70+ year R&D dataset covering all 50 states (1953 to present) by merging public and financial databases and reconciling differences in currency and scope across sources. Analyzed state and industry R&D trends and found persistent patterns in spending levels over time.                                                                                                              | May 2026 — Jul 2026<br>Claremont, CA                                 |
| <b>Strategy Intern (EV Project)</b><br>9Oak, Starpoint Properties<br>Built an AI-assisted site selection model for EV chargers that pulls live Tesla Supercharger usage through APIs, and presented it to senior stakeholders. Analyzed utility pricing and charging economics to make the business case for infrastructure investment.                                                                                                                                | Jan 2026 — May 2026<br>Beverly Hills, CA                             |
| <b>Director of Product and Technology</b><br>Girls Into VC at CMC<br>Brought the national Girls Into VC chapter to CMC and grew it into an active community of students interested in venture. Hosts speaker events with investors, including the woman who coined the term "unicorn," and runs workshops where members evaluate startups and give founders direct feedback. Rebuilt the club website on a simpler platform, increasing site visits and clicks by 50%. | Dec 2025 — Present<br>Claremont, CA                                  |
| <b>Data Analytics &amp; CRM Intern</b><br>March Capital<br>Rebuilt a broken CRM from scratch, cleaning 20,000+ contacts with Cursor, Sonar, and Stata and saving 80% of manual processing time. Designed AI-driven automations and workflows, raised email open rates from 40% to 50% through list segmentation, and built models to identify high-potential entrepreneurs for Montgomery Summit.                                                                      | Jun 2025 — Aug 2025<br>Los Angeles County, California, United States |
| <b>Data Journalist</b><br>Lowe Institute of Political Economy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Aug 2024 — May 2025<br>Claremont, California, United States          |
| <b>Summer Intern</b><br>Atom Privé Financial Services                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Jun 2024 — Jul 2024<br>India                                         |
| <b>Member, Administrative Affairs and Appropriations Committee</b><br>Associated Students of Claremont McKenna College                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Aug 2023 — May 2024<br>Claremont, California, United States          |

## EDUCATION

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| <b>Claremont McKenna College</b><br><i>Bachelor of Arts - BA in Economics and Data Science</i><br>GPA 3.84 out of 4.0. Robert Day Scholar, one of 30 students selected for a leadership program focused on advanced coursework, mentorship, and professional development. | Aug 2023 — Dec 2026 |
| <b>Indus International School, Hyderabad</b><br><i>High School Diploma</i><br>International Baccalaureate                                                                                                                                                                 | Jun 2021 — May 2023 |
| <b>CHIREC International School</b><br><i>IGCSE Board Examinations</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Jun 2019 — Mar 2021 |

## PROJECTS

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| <b>Instacart for Trader Joe's, but cheaper</b> , 5 Squirrel<br>A community-based delivery system for Claremont Colleges students that pairs them with peers already making a Trader Joe's run, so they can add their list for a small fee. Early beta feedback shaped run times, pickup spots, and marketing.                                                                                                      |
| <b>AI-powered food allergy restaurant discovery tool</b> , Peináo<br>Built an AI agent using Claude to source and structure restaurant menu data at scale, replacing unreliable manual collection. Designed a classifier that scores peanut and gluten safety per menu item and blends the result with Google review ratings into one rating. Shipped prototypes for Claremont Village and St. Marks Place in NYC. |

CERTIFICATIONS

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| Private Markets and Alternative Investments Certificate, CFA Institute | Aug 2026 |
| Claude Code 101, Anthropic                                             | Jun 2026 |
| Actionist Case Competition, Actionist Consulting                       | Apr 2026 |
| Robert Day Scholar, Claremont McKenna College                          | Nov 2024 |

SKILLS

Research and Development (R&D) · Account Management · Data Analysis · Data Presentation · Data Collection · Financial Analysis · Business Analysis · Venture Capital · Market Research · Project Management · Intercultural Communication · Team Leadership · Python · R · Stata · SQL · HTML/CSS · Excel · APIs & JSON · Zapier · AI agents · Prompt engineering · Web scraping · Lovable · Figma · CRM systems · Data visualization · Econometric modeling · Hip-Hop dance · Bollywood dance · R&B music