ROBERT GAMA

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EDUCATION

Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, CA

May 2028

Bachelor of Arts, Economics and Psychology (Dual Major)

- GPA: 3.6/4.0
- Relevant Coursework: Intermediate Accounting, Intermediate Macroeconomics, Organizational Psychology
- Awards: Robert Day Scholar, Henry R. Kravis Scholar

The School of Arts and Enterprise, Pomona, CA

May 2024

High School Diploma, Advanced Visual and Ceramics Arts

- GPA: 4.0/4.0
- Awards: Valedictorian, Academic Distinction, AP Scholar with Distinction

EXPERIENCE

Claremont McKenna College Appel Writing Scholars, Asia and the Western United States

Appel Fellow

Feb 2025 - Aug 2025

- Awarded selective fellowship (~10% acceptance) to travel and research waste systems in Asia and the U.S.
- Conducted field research and interviews to analyze global sustainability policy, markets, and accessibility
- Produced a narrative blending comparative policy and economic analysis with practical sustainability strategies

Cariño Botánica, Inland Empire, CA

Oct 2021 - Aug 2025

Co-Owner and Co-Founder

- Founded and operated a zero-waste refillery offering 200+ sustainable, household and personal care products
- Served 4K+ customers in underrepresented communities, generating \$75K+ revenue through mission-driven retail
- Managed and trained 5+ people in retail and finance, improving overall operational efficiency by 20%+

Leyva Financial, Covina, CA

Jul 2023 – Aug 2024

Administrative, Technology, and Marketing Assistant

- Implemented client and contract file system, streamlining 100+ files and increasing agent efficiency by 20%+
- Created marketing materials that helped connect 100+ Hispanic families with life insurance services

Ride Detail, Los Angeles County, CA

Jun 2020 - Jun 2022

Owner and Founder

- Built pricing, scheduling, and automotive detailing systems, increasing return rate by 40% across 20+ clients
- Managed all business operations (e.g. marketing, service delivery, and finances) generating \$5,000+ in revenue

LEADERSHIP AND INVOLVEMENT

Member: Claremont McKenna College Scholars of Finance

Sep 2025 – Present

Selected for inaugural chapter to participate in leadership development and programming on ethics in finance

Orientation Leader and Mentor: Claremont McKenna College Dean of Students Office

Aug 2025 - Present

- 1 of 5 core leaders to plan First Year Guide (FYG) training for 60+ orientation leaders
- Co-lead 20 first-years, organizing 30+ activities, managing orientation logistics, and supporting their transition

Finance Officer and Member: Mariachi Serrano de Claremont

Nov 2024 - Present

- Restarted group after pause, securing funding and rebuilding membership across the 5 Claremont Colleges
- Manage \$2,000 annual budget for instructor payments, instruments, attire, operations, and events

SKILLS & INTERESTS

Technical: Google Workspace, Excel, PowerPoint, AI tools, Canva, Photoshop, Square

Languages: English (Native), Spanish (Native)

Interests: Running, zero-waste, yoga, bouldering, landscape oil painting, landscaping, functional pottery