

Throughout my time in high school and college, I have built many valuable relationships and as I progress in my professional and social journey, I would like to continue these connections. However, we all know keeping in touch is easier said than done. For this reason, I am aiming to share a short, “update” on my life twice a year. **I also hope that this will create a space to share your updates with me as well.**

I intend for these update emails to also include questions that I am looking for advice on as well as relevant documents and photos. Going forward, I plan to send out Q1 & 2 (Jan-July) and Q3 & 4 (July-Dec) recaps in July and December, respectively.

No matter who you are, I value the unique perspective you bring to my life, so please reach out with advice! Below is the Sachin Sashti 2023 Q 3&4 update.

Sachin Sashti

Quarter 3&4, 2023

Date: Dec 31, 2023

Since this is the first update, I wanted to share the entirety of 2023 rather than just the second half. 2023 was a year of immense improvement- professionally and personally. **The theme for the past year is “ The Power of Perception,”** as I find that being aware of how my mind interprets stimuli is the key to understanding my true motivation and interests.

Professional/Academics

Education and Interests:

- After enjoying and excelling in an entry-level accounting course, I am now heavily considering majoring in Accounting
 - Accounting is the only major at Penn State that can be paired with another major in the business school, therefore I plan to double major in Accounting & Finance or Accounting & Supply Chain.
 - I have also applied to the [Integrated Masters of Accounting Program](#)
- Along with accounting, I have developed my interest in philosophy after spending time at a friend’s house over the summer.
 - Now, I routinely study philosophy and have written two papers concerning philosophical concepts such as perception and control.
 - I also write [articles](#) via the website Medium, an open-platform space
 - Next semester, I have enrolled in an elective philosophy class

Internship and Work:

- During Fall 2023, I decided to attend the Supply Chain career fair which was the **most impactful decision of my college career thus far.**
 - I spoke to many esteemed recruiters and was able to garner multiple interviews. After heavy consideration, I decided to sign an offer with Kimberly-Clark!
- Details about [Supply Chain Analyst](#) position with Kimberly-Clark:
 - Over the summer, I will be working full-time in Knoxville, TN, and then part-time along with school through May 2025.
 - I am super excited to start and I would greatly appreciate **any advice you wish someone had told you before your first day on the job.**
- Secondly, I am working remotely for the CEO of Cascatta Developments (CD)
 - Given my free time and wish to learn more about real-life business, I sought out this opportunity and have enjoyed understanding the commercial real estate industry.
 - One of my duties includes coordinating outreach initiatives to book podcast appearances.

Professional/Academic Goals and Aspirations

- Long-term- Become the CEO or CFO of a publicly owned company
- Medium-term- Graduate college as a double major
- Short term- Keep in touch with influential people in my life (hence this email!)

Personal

Athletics:

- The single biggest influence on my life has been wrestling, a sport in which I competed competitively during High School
 - Now, over the break, I routinely volunteer at my high school, coaching at practice and trying to give back.
- Off the mat, I also love skiing and have planned a trip with my family. I am looking forward to hitting the slopes more in 2024.

Friends and Family:

- At Penn State, I live with 3 close friends and we often attend football games together
 - We have signed a lease for an apartment next year!
 - I remained close with High School friends as well and was fortunate to have 2 of them surprise me at college over a weekend in April 2023.
- My family is all doing well and we took time this year to travel and celebrate my parents' 25th wedding anniversary.
 - My sisters continue to excel and serve as role models for me, with Marisa recently being promoted at Booz Allen Hamilton and Priya receiving her first acceptance to pursue a Master's in Social Work.

Personal goals and aspirations

- Long-term- Continue to stay fit and run a marathon by the end of 2024
- Short term- Complete a 72-hour water fast (please let me know if this is a bad idea)

Questions

1. Now that I am considering accounting as a major, I am contemplating pursuing a CPA. I have heard mixed reviews: do you think a CPA is worth the investment?
2. All things equal, do you think being very competitive is an overall positive or negative?
3. What was one interest you explored for the first time in the past year that you found engaging, fun, or informative?

Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to hearing back from you!

Always open to conversation,

Sachin Sashti