

Dear Mr. Paul Cutler,

My name is Ari Fares, I am a senior Finance Student at Arizona State University's W. P. Carey School of Business and Barrett, The Honors College. It is a privilege to join the Cutler Scholars program, and I look forward to serving my community through this platform.

In my six semesters on campus, I've naturally gravitated toward many leadership roles. Within the immediate W. P. Carey community, I have taken on various roles as President of the Investment Banking Industry Scholars (IBIS), a Portfolio Manager and Director of Fund for TAMID Group, and a Vice President of the Investment Banking and Finance Club (IBFC). Notably, I'm also a McCord Scholar this year.

Professionally speaking, one of my long-term aspirations is to become a Fortune 500 business leader. I hope to build the necessary entrepreneurial foundation within the investment banking industry; this past summer I interned within the Technology, Media & Telecom investment banking group at Wells Fargo Securities. I look forward to returning full time post graduation in New York.

Thank you again for granting me the honor of being a Cutler Scholar. I am eternally grateful to join the program for the 2023-24 academic year and I look forward to having a meaningful impact on our community.

Sincerely,



Ari Fares



Meet Ari Fares

Biggest academic accomplishment:

I have always been an academically oriented individual; I graduated as the Salutatorian of Lincoln Preparatory Academy in 2020. I am also proud to have maintained a cumulative 4.0 GPA while being enrolled in the Honors College at Arizona State University.

My favorite ASU experience:

Last year, I began working with an ASU-founded non-profit, Project Koyash. The mission of the philanthropic project is to promote an affordable, practical, and sustainable solution to advance the cause of climate change and fight air pollution. The engineering team has designed a solar-powered air filtration system that's being scaled and deployed in Mongolia; that region struggles with the worst air pollution rates seen throughout the world. As the Head of Investor Relations for Koyash, I play an essential part in bringing the engineering team's vision to life by spearheading fundraising efforts.

Favorite Quote:

"If you're not failing, you're not pushing your limits, and if you're not pushing your limits, you're not maximizing your potential"
— Ray Dalio, *Principles*