

Databases and Database Skills in Finance

Following the Information Technology Career Conversations event in the Library Johnson Room on Tuesday, October 2nd, Eastern alum Gordan Peckham virtually joined Business Information Systems students (BIS-AITP Members and BIS 373 – Business Database Management students) in Webb Hall to discuss his time in school, his career path and important technologies in today's finance and insurance world. Gordan graduated from ECSU in 2017 with a major in Business Administration, a concentration in Finance and a minor in Business Information Systems.

Gordan currently works at Travelers as a Business Performance Analytics Consultant, but he first started at Travelers interning in their Business Intelligence Geospatial Program, while still a student. In terms of his academic career, Gordan mentioned multiple BIS and Finance courses that he was able to apply in his full-time job, showing students the real-life applications of their technical classes. He also passed along some interview tips and reminded students that there are resources available to them on campus to help with resumes and interviewing.

Lastly, students chatted with Gordan about technologies and tools he uses day to day in his job including SAS, Teradata, VBA, SQL, Excel and Access. All of this information gave students an idea of what skills they can focus on in classes and teach themselves so as to become a more valuable asset in the information technology sector.

