



Kat Gaiser **Associate**

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Ms. Gaiser is an Associate at Areté Capital Partners, where she supports both sponsor and fiduciary investment activities. Her experience includes evaluating credit performance and supporting the underwriting and execution of complex financing transactions through financial modeling, portfolio monitoring, and internal risk analysis across public, private, and sponsor-backed companies.

Prior to joining Areté, Kat was an Associate in the Investment Bank Credit Risk division at J.P. Morgan, where she covered a portfolio of leveraged public, private, and sponsor-backed clients within the Diversified Industries sector, with a focus on industrials and building materials. In this role, she underwrote and managed credit exposure across Revolving Credit Facilities, Term Loans A/B, and bridge loans supporting M&A and refinancing transactions. Kat executed numerous leveraged debt transactions ranging from \$225M to \$2.5B and developed financial forecasting and DCF models to evaluate transaction risk, business performance, and internal credit ratings. She worked closely with partners across Global Corporate Banking, Debt Capital Markets, and Legal to structure and approve such financings aligned with the firm's risk standards. Before Diversified Industries, Kat covered insurance companies within the Financial Institutions Group at J.P. Morgan, where she monitored portfolio risk and contributed to the execution of multiple investment-grade and high-yield financings with global amounts up to \$3.5B.

Kat earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the Fisher College of Business at The Ohio State University, with a specialization in Finance, and graduated Magna Cum Laude with Honors. While in school, she was a member of Fisher's Finance Honors Cohort, served as a peer mentor through Fisher Peer Mentor Program, advised as a career consultant in the Office of Career Management, and held internships with J.P. Morgan, the Governor of Ohio, and The J.M. Smucker Company.

Kat resides in Chicago and enjoys reading, distance running, triathlons, watching college football, and listening to 70s/80s music.



PROFESSIONAL BIOGRAPHY

CAREER EXPERIENCE

ARETÉ CAPITAL PARTNERS
ASSOCIATE

Chicago, IL
3/26 – Current

J.P. MORGAN – INVESTMENT BANK CREDIT RISK
ASSOCIATE – DIVERSIFIED INDUSTRIES
1/26 – 2/26

Chicago, IL

ANALYST – DIVERSIFIED INDUSTRIES
5/25 – 1/26

ANALYST – FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS GROUP

6/23 – 5/25

SELECT TRANSACTION EXPERIENCE

Global Leader in Critical Digital Infrastructure for Data Centers – Admin Agent and Lead on the debut of a \$2.5B Senior Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility, replacing an \$800M Asset-Based Lending structure.

Provider of Specification-Driven Water Management Solutions – Admin Agent and Lead on the refinancing and upsize of a \$550M Senior Secured Revolving Credit Facility. Assumed Lead Left from competitor.

Leading Wholesale Insurance Broker and Managing General Underwriter (MGU) – Admin Agent and Lead on a \$3.5bn Senior Unsecured debt package (Revolving Credit Facility refinancing, Term Loan B repricing, and bridge loan).

Premier Independent Insurance Program Manager – Admin Agent and Lead on the debut of a \$635M financing package consisting of a Revolving Credit Facility and Term Loan B.

EDUCATION/CERTIFICATIONS



THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, FISHER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS – *Columbus, OH*

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Finance

* References Available Upon Request *

