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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Sauder School of Business, University of British Columbia
2024 – Assistant Professor of Finance

EDUCATION

Yale School of Management
2018 – 2024 Ph.D., M.Phil., M.A. in Financial Economics
Dissertation Committee: Nicholas Barberis (Co-Chair), Stefano Giglio (Co-Chair),
Theis Jensen, Song Ma, Kelly Shue
Tsinghua University
2013 – 2017 B.E. in Industrial Engineering, Minor in Finance

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Corporate Finance, Entrepreneurial Finance, and Behavioral Finance
Information in Financial Markets, Unstructured Data & Machine Learning in Finance

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] **Persuading Investors: A Video-Based Study**
(with Song Ma)
Journal of Finance, forthcoming
- [2] **Asset Complexity and the Return Gap**
(with Pengjie Gao, Peter Kelly, Cameron Peng, and Ning Zhu)
Review of Finance, 2024

WORKING PAPERS

- [3] **Financial News Production**
Job Market Paper
- [4] **Inference with Cluster Imbalance: The Case of State Corporate Laws**
(with Holger Spamann)
Subsuming “On Inference When Using State Corporate Laws for Identification”
Reject & Resubmit at *Review of Financial Studies*

WORK IN PROGRESS

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- [5] **Differential Origins and Impacts of Extensive and Intensive Flows: Theory and Evidence**
(with Xindi He)
- [6] **Self-Selected or Designated: Which SIC Code is True?**

SEMINARS, CONFERENCES, AND WORKSHOPS

(including scheduled, * = by coauthors)

Seminar Presentations

- 2024 Western University (Ivey), Dayton, Toronto (Rotman), Emory (Goizueta), OSU (Fisher), USC (Marshall), UIUC (Gies), UBC (Sauder), Michigan State (Broad), Georgetown (McDonough), CUHK Business School, HKU Business School, Tsinghua (PBCSF), Tsinghua (SEM), Cheung Kong GSB
- Pre-2024 ETH Zrich (Online Seminar in Economics + Data Science), Yale (SOM)

Conference Presentations

- 2025 MFA, AFA
- 2024 Pacific Northwest Finance Conference, Melbourne Asset Pricing Meeting, Stanford SITE (The Macroeconomics of Uncertainty and Volatility), CICF, University of Kentucky Finance Conference
- 2021 NBER Chinese Economy*, WFA*, TADC, ALEA*, AFA × 2
- 2020 NBER Behavioral Finance*, NFA, Swedish House of Finance Consumer Behavior in Financial Markets*, NBER SI Entrepreneurship*, NBER SI Household Finance*, NBER SI Corporate Finance*, EFA, MFA × 3, WFA*, SFS Cavalcade NA*, Finance in the Cloud*, FIRS*, Toronto Rotman Gender and Entrepreneurship Workshop*, Eastern FA, TAMU Young Scholars Finance Consortium*, RFS-GSU FinTech Conference*, AFA Poster Session
- 2019 Junior Finance Conference at Indiana University*, Washington St. Louis Corporate Finance Conference*, CFRC*
- 2018 NBER Chinese Economy*, CFRC*, SIF*

Conference Discussions

- 2024 NFA, CICF, CFRC, WFA
- 2021 TADC

Invited Workshops

- 2021 Mitsui Summer School on Structural Estimation in Corporate Finance
- 2020 NBER Entrepreneurship Research Boot Camp
- 2019 Princeton Financial Economics of Insurance Workshop
- 2015 Tsinghua PBCSF Summer Camp

TEACHING

Yale School of Management

- 2020 – 2022 **Corporate Finance**, MBA/Yale Law School course, TA for Kelly Shue
Latest TA Rating (2022): 4.7/5.0
- 2020 – 2021 **Entrepreneurial Finance**, MBA/EMBA course, TA for Song Ma
Latest TA Rating (2021): N/A
- 2019 – 2021 **Financial Economics I**, Ph.D. course, TA for Jon Ingersoll and Stefano Giglio
Latest TA Rating (2021): 4.9/5.0

UBC Sauder School of Business

- 2024 **Entrepreneurial Finance and Private Equity**, undergraduate course, with Jan Bena and Yuan Shi
Latest Rating: N/A

GRANTS, AWARDS, AND FELLOWSHIP

- 2020 American Finance Association Travel Grant
- 2020 Eastern Finance Association Distinguished Student Paper Award
- 2018 – 2023 Yale University Ph.D. Fellowship

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

- Referee Journal of Banking and Finance, Journal of Finance, Management Science, Review of Economic Studies, Review of Financial Studies, Research Grants Council (RGC) of Hong Kong
- Program Committee MFA (2025), SFS Cavalcade NA (2025), UBC Winter Conference (2025)
- UBC Sauder Service Finance recruiting committee member (2024–2025)
Finance seminar organizer (2024–2025)