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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

The Ohio State University, Fisher College of Business, Columbus, Ohio

Assistant Professor of Finance, 2020 —

Instructor of Finance, 2019

EDUCATION

University of Washington, Foster School of Business, Seattle, WA

Ph.D., Finance, January 2020

University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Charlotte, NC

M.S., Mathematical Finance, May 2013

M.S., Mathematics, May 2013

• Concentration in Applied Statistics

Buena Vista University, Storm Lake, IA

B.A., Business Administration, May 2009

• Majors in Management and Marketing

RESEARCH INTERESTS Corporate Finance, Corporate Investment, Capital and Ownership Structure,

Corporate Governance, Corporate Law and Takeover Defenses

PUBLICATIONS

Corporate Takeover Defenses (with Jonathan Karpoff)

in David J. Denis (ed.), Handbook of Corporate Finance, Forthcoming

(Debt) Overhang: Evidence from Resource Extraction

Review of Financial Studies, 34(4), 1699-1746, April 2021.

Colorado Finance Summit Best PhD Paper Award (2018)

Crisis Poison Pills (with Ofer Eldar)

Review of Corporate Finance Studies, 10(1), 204-251, March 2021.

RCFS Rising Scholar Award (2022)

Solicited by the Editor

Featured on the Harvard Law School Forum on Corporate Governance

Institutional and Legal Context in Natural Experiments: The Case of State Antitakeover Laws (with Jonathan Karpoff) *Journal of Finance*, 73(2), 657-714, April 2018.

Hedging House Price Risk with Futures Contracts after the Bubble Burst (with Patrick Schorno and Steve Swidler)

Finance Research Letters, 11(4), 332-340, December 2014.

WORKING PAPERS

Strategic Learning and Corporate Investment (with Paul Décaire)

The Rise of Anti-Activist Poison Pills (with Ofer Eldar and Tanja Kirmse)

Is Public Equity Deadly? Evidence from Workplace Safety and Productivity Tradeoffs in the Coal Industry (with Erik Gilje)

Featured on the Harvard Law School Forum on Corporate Governance

The Consequences to Directors for Deploying Poison Pills (with William Johnson and Jonathan Karpoff)

Featured on the Harvard Law School Forum on Corporate Governance

WORKS IN PROGRESS

How Do Firms Choose Discount Rates? (with René Stulz and Hoa Briscoe-Tran)

CONFERENCE AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS

2023 Washington University in St. Louis, University of Iowa

- University of Deleware, Iowa State University, HEC Montreal*, European Economic Association (EEA-ESEM)*, European Finance Association*, NBER Summer Institute Corporate Finance Workshop, Western Finance Association, Frontiers in Finance Conference*, ITAM Finance Conference*, SDU Finance Workshop (Zoom), Asian Bureau of Finance and Economic Research (ABFER) (Zoom), McGill University*, University of Oklahoma Energy and Climate Finance Research Conference, Midwest Finance Association† (presentation and discussion), UBC Winter Finance Conference*, European Winter Finance Conference*, American Finance Association
- Colorado Finance Summit, Conference on Financial Economics and Accounting (CFEA) at Indiana University, FMA Recent Research Session[†] (presentation and discussion), CMI Firm Finance Workshop (Zoom), International Risk Management Conference (Zoom), Northern Finance Association (Zoom), Michigan State University and University of Illinois Chicago Virtual Finance Seminar (Zoom), International Conference of the French Finance Association (Zoom), University of St. Gallen* (Zoom), UC Berkeley Law, Economics, and Accounting Workshop (Zoom), La Trobe Financial Markets and Corporate Governance Conference[†] (Zoom presentation and discussion), Young Scholars Finance Consortium (Zoom), Midwest Finance Association* (Zoom), University of Colorado Boulder* (Zoom), University of Tennessee Knoxville (Zoom)

- 2020 Boca Corporate Finance and Governance Conference[†] (Zoom presentation and discussion), University of Bath* (Zoom), Conference on Law & Macroeconomics* (Zoom), La Trobe University* (Zoom), National Business Law Scholars Conference* (Zoom), European Finance Association[†] (Zoom), Finance in the Cloud IV: ESG[†] (Zoom), University of New South Wales (Zoom), Drexel Corporate Governance Conference (Zoom), Vienna University of Economics and Business*, Vanderbilt University, American Finance Association
- 2019 University of South Carolina*, George Mason University*, Conference on Financial Economics and Accounting (CFEA) at NYU Stern School of Business†, Financial Management Association, University of Oklahoma Energy and Commodities Finance Research Conference, Harvard Business School, Dartmouth College, Rice University, University of California San Diego, University of Colorado Boulder, Ohio State University, Arizona State University, University of British Columbia, University of Notre Dame, University of Texas Dallas, University of Pittsburgh
- 2018 Colorado Finance Summit, University of Kansas, Tulane University, FMA Doctoral Student Consortium and Student Paper Presentation, University of Washington
- 2015 Western Finance Association*, Southern Methodist University and Texas Christian University Joint Seminar*, University of North Carolina*, Northeastern University*, University of Oklahoma*, Academy of Business Research

Includes scheduled, * denotes presented by co-author, † denotes discussion

TEACHING The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

Instructor

- Undergraduate Level
 - Corporate Finance

Fall 2019, 2020, Spring 2022

- Graduate Level
 - Ph.D. Empirical Corporate Finance (Methods)

Spring 2021, 2022

University of Washington, Seattle, WA

Instructor

- International Finance Module
 - Global Foundations of Business Certificate Program

Nov. 2015, May 2016

May 2016, Nov. 2016, May 2017

 Business Studies for International Professionals (BUSIP) Certificate Program

Teaching Assistant

Graduate Level

TMMBA Core Business Finance
 Evening MBA Core Business Finance
 Full-time MBA Core Managerial Finance
 TMMBA Core Microeconomics Course
 Spring 2016, 2017
 Winter 2016, 2017
 Fall 2015–2018
 Winter 2015

• Undergraduate Level

• Undergraduate Core Business Finance

Fall 2014

Kaplan Test Prep, Charlotte, NC

Instructor

January 2010 to May 2013

• GMAT/GRE test preparation

AWARDS AND HONORS

- RCFS Rising Scholar Award, 2022
- Colorado Finance Summit Best PhD Paper Award, 2018
- Foster School of Business Ph.D. Teaching Award, 2018
- University of Washington Excellence in Teaching Award Nominee, 2016, 2018, 2019
- University of Washington Husky 100 Nominee, 2017
- Foster School of Business Dean's Achievement Award, 2016
- Academy of Business Research Best Paper Award, 2015
- Dean's Distinguished Research Fellowship, 2013-2017

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Ad Hoc Referee

Journal of Banking and Finance, Journal of Corporate Finance, Journal of Empirical Finance, Journal of Finance, Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis, Management Science, Review of Corporate Finance Studies, Review of Finance, Review of Financial Studies

Conference Program Committee

SFS Cavalcade, 2022

European Finance Association, 2021, 2022 Midwest Finance Association, 2021, 2022, 2023 Financial Management Association, 2022

Executive Program Committee (Conference Track Chair)

Eastern Finance Association, 2022

Conference Session Chair

Financial Management Association, 2021

DOCTORAL COMMITTEES

Hyeik Kim (Committee member) Initial placement: University of Alberta

Minsu Ko (Committee member), Initial placement: TBD

Hoa Briscoe-Tran (Committee member), Initial placement: TBD