CHARLES E. DOWNING

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EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

September 2021 - May 2026 (Expected)

Ph.D. in Accounting (4.9/5.0)

The Ohio State University

August 2017 - May 2021

B.S. in Accounting; Summa Cum Laude

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Capital Markets, Environmental Disclosure, Voluntary Disclosure, Retail Trading, Information Processing

RESEARCH

Firm Responses to Self-Imposed Emissions Targets

Solo Authored; Potential Dissertation

Preliminary data analysis stage

Odd Lots & Optics: Retail Investors and Execution Quality Disclosures

With Bradford (Lynch) Levy (Univ. of Chicago), Matthew A. Phillips (MIT) and Eric C. So (MIT)

Continuation of 1st Year Paper. Presentations at MIT and Boston Accounting Students Symposium (scheduled) Data analyses completed and draft written

Disclosure, Tax-Based Incentives, and Carbon Emission Outcomes

With Zoe Han (MIT), Rodrigo Verdi (MIT) and Chloe Xie (MIT)

Conducting Data Analyses

Generative AI & Sell-Side Equity Analysts

With David Kim (MIT) and Eric C. So (MIT)

Conducting Data Analyses

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Boston Accounting Students Symposium

2023

AWARDS AND HONORS

Bostic Memorial Award

2021

Presented to the most outstanding male member of the Ohio State University Fisher College of Business' graduating class based on recognition of both academic excellence and outstanding leadership. Awarded annually to one student out of over 800 eligible

Pace Setter Award 2021

Given annually to the Ohio State University Fisher College of Business' top students, selected on the basis of academic performance and demonstrated leadership ability

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant for Professor S.P. Kothari

2023

15.511 Sloan Fellows MBA (Financial Accounting)

Teaching Assistant for Professor Gita Rao

2023

15.543 Finance Lab

Rating: Mean = 6.1/7, Median = 7/7