Zihao Tan

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EDUCATION

University of Colorado Boulder, Leeds School of Business, Ph.D. in Finance	2024-
Northwestern University, M.Sc in Social and Economic Policy	2023-2024
Chinese University of Hong Kong, M.Sc in Applied Economics	2022-2023
Xiamen University, B.A. in Economics (Finance)	2018-2022

HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Graduate Fellowship, Leeds School of Business	2024-
Grade of A^+ in Undergraduate Thesis, Xiamen University	2022
Scholarship of Academic Excellence, Xiamen University	2021
Honourable Mention, the American College Mathematical Contest in Modelling	2020

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

Research Assistant

Kenan-Flagler Business School, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Mar. 2023-

- Reviewed literature and replicated studies on Mergers and Acquisitions (M&As).
- Cleaned and analyzed both firm- and individual-level data to answer questions in labor spillover in M&As. Regularly presented results.

Research Assistant

Department of Political Science, University of California, San Diego

Jan. 2022- Mar. 2022

- Collected and analyzed the data of Chinese official travelling records based on the nationwide newspapers.
- Manually categorized the travelling based on different purposes and official rank.

Research Assistant

School of Economics, Xiamen University

Nov. 2020- Jun. 2022

• Researched the influence of housing regulations on M&As. Mainly contributed in literature review, model design and empirical test.

Academic Project Member (with Mr. Zerong Ren)

School of Economics, Xiamen University

Aug. 2020- Apr. 2021

• Conducted research on the impact of county-level poverty alleviation policies on the provision of public services. Contributed on methodology and empirical model design.

Additional Information

Computer Skills: Stata, Python, Excel and LaTeX Languages: Mandarin(Native), English(Fluent)