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#### **Research Interests**

Corporate Finance, Technology and Finance, Law and Finance

#### **Education**

| 2019/09 - 2024/06 (Expected) | The University of Hong Kong | Ph.D. in Finance    |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| 2018/08 - 2019/06            | The University of Hong Kong | M.Fin. in Fintech   |
| 2014/09 - 2018/06            | Sun Yat-Sen University      | B.B.A in Accounting |

#### **Publications**

Corporate Immunity to the COVID-19 Pandemic. *Journal of Financial Economics* forthcoming. (with Ross Levine, Chen Lin, and Wensi Xie)

• Media coverage: <u>The Economist</u>, <u>Harvard Law School Forum</u>, <u>Berkeley Haas Newsroom</u>, <u>Institutional Investor</u>, <u>Retirement Income Journal</u>, and <u>Labour Market Information Council</u>.

#### **Working Papers**

Provide upon request.

#### **Research in Progress**

Provide upon request.

# **Conferences and Presentations**

| 2020 | 33rd Australasian Finance and Banking Conference (Presenter, Discussant) |
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| 2019 | SFS Cavalcade Asia-Pacific 2019 (Attendee, Helper)                       |

#### **Teaching Experience**

#### **Teaching Assistant**

EMBA6608 Financial Innovation and Credit Market 2021 Spring, 2019 Spring

MFIN7026 Advanced Corporate Finance 2021 Spring DBAP7042 Quantitative Research Methods 2019 Spring

#### **Honors and Awards**

| 2020 | HKU FBE PhD Research Excellence Award   |
|------|---|
| 2019 | HKU Foundation Postgraduate Fellowship, University of Hong Kong FBE PhD Entrance                |
|      | Scholarship   |
| 2016 | Financial Management Invitation Tournament Second Best of China (Team Leader), China            |
|      | University Entrepreneurship Challenge Silver Prize of China (Team Leader), EY Cup Case Analysis |
|      | Competition Outstanding Report  |
| 2015 | Global Management Challenge Third Prize of China (Team Leader), MPAcc Case Analysis             |
|      | Competition Top 10 in China, China University Mathematics Modelling Competition Winner Prize    |

#### **Professional Services**

Provide upon request.

# **Exchange Studies**

| 2016/07 - 2016/08 | The University of California – Berkeley | Legal Study (Summer Session)   |
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| 2015/07 - 2015/08 | The University of Cambridge             | Culture Study (Summer Session) |

# **Industry Experiences (Internship)**

| 2020/03 - 2020/08 | Bank for International Settlements (BIS) | Temp Research Analyst                      |
|-------------------|--|--|
| 2018/01 - 2018/05 | Bain & Company                           | Part-time Assistant (Strategic Consulting) |
| 2017/08 - 2017/11 | GF Securities                            | Investment Banking Intern (TMT Division)   |
| 2017/07 - 2017/08 | Shenzhen Nongjinquan                     | Data Science Assistant (P2P Lending)       |
| 2017/01 - 2017/04 | Deloitte                                 | Audit Intern                               |
| 2016/06 - 2017/06 | Sun Yat-Sen University Student Entrepren | neur Center Student Director               |
| 2016/01 - 2016/02 | Ernst & Young                            | Audit Intern                               |

# **Personal Projects**

| py_reminder       | A convenient Python tool to help on monitoring program progress. [Link]                 |
|-------------------|---|
| error_catcher     | A advanced convenient Python tool to capture and report coding errors in detail. [Link] |
| Coding Notes      | Notes of my coding exercises. [Link]  |
| Std. Country Code | A toolset and dataset that helps standardizing country identifier. [Link]               |

### **Additional Skills**

| Language         | Mandarin Chinese (Native), English (Fluent), Cantonese (Basic)             |
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| Research-related | Python, Stata, ArcGIS, C++, R, SQL, LaTeX, JavaScript                      |
| Other skills     | Microsoft Office, Markdown, HTML, Photoshop, Premiere, After Effects, Maya |

#### **Other Personal Information**

| Hobbies     | Piano, Guitar, Jogging, Rubik Cube, Visual Designs, Video Game Development |
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| Nationality | Chinese  |

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#### References

# **Professor Chen Lin (Supervisor)**

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