

CHENFEI LU

EDUCATION

Booth School of Business, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

September 2010 – Present

- Ph.D. in Finance and M.B.A., expected Spring 2015
- Research Interests: Corporate Finance, Chapter 11 Bankruptcy, Household Finance, Industrial Organization
- Work in Progress: “Lender Distress and the Duration of Chapter 11 Bankruptcy”
- Relevant Ph.D. Coursework: Corporate Finance, Asset Pricing, Econometrics, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

June 2008

- B.A. in Mathematics and Economics, *summa cum laude*; GPA: 3.96/4.00

RESEARCH AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant

Winter 2013 and Summer 2013

- Investigated the effects of bank market power on the corporate debt market using firm and capital structure data
- Performed regression analysis to examine the relationship between employment growth and foreclosure laws

Teaching Assistant for Theory of Financial Decisions II (Ph.D.)

Winter 2013

Teaching Assistant for Corporation Finance (M.B.A.)

Spring 2012 and Fall 2012

PUBLICATIONS

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- “A Snapshot of the Midwest Economy: Past and Present” (With S. Brave), *Chicago Fed Letter*, 280, Nov. 2010, pp. 1-4

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, Chicago, IL

August 2009 – August 2010

Associate Economist

- Created Chicago Fed Midwest Economy Index, which measures regional economic activity in the U.S. Midwest, using factor analysis on production, employment, housing, and sales variables
- Assisted senior economists in statistical analysis, data collection, and economic reporting
- Drafted memoranda describing macroeconomic indicators and agricultural and financial markets

Lazard Frères & Co., Chicago, IL

July 2008 – August 2009

Financial Analyst, Mergers & Acquisitions Group

- Created financial models including LBO, discounted cash flow, accretion/dilution and sum-of-the-parts analyses
- Evaluated companies’ debt structures and financial alternatives by modeling recapitalization scenarios
- Conducted comparable companies analysis and market research on industries including agriculture and manufacturing
- Prepared presentation materials for client meetings

Morningstar, Inc., Chicago, IL

September 2007 – March 2008

Equity Analyst Intern

- Created analysis and presentation of U.S. house price patterns by state and metropolitan areas and studied geographical trends in housing permits, employment, and affordability

United States Department of State, Washington, DC

July 2007 – September 2007

Student Intern

- Collaborated with team directing U.S. participation in the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC)
- Facilitated decision-making for Senior Official to APEC through creation of memoranda and briefing materials

HONORS AND AWARDS

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- Project Funding from the Fama-Miller Center for Research in Finance, Spring 2012
 - CRSP Summer Paper Grant, Summer 2011
 - Frederick S. Deibler Awards for Excellence in Economics and Distinguished Honors Thesis, June 2008
 - Phi Beta Kappa, April 2005 – Present

OTHER

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- Computer Skills: MATLAB, STATA, SAS
 - SAT Math: 800, SAT Verbal: 770, GRE Math: 800
 - Personal Interests: Skiing, Running, Basketball, Traveling, Bouldering, Photography