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Academic Appointment

David Eccles School of Business, University of Utah

Assistant Professor of Finance (Lecturer in 2021)

2022-present

Education

University of Southern California

Ph.D. Finance 2017-2021
M.A. & Ph.D. Economics (transferred) 2014-2017
B.S. Mathematics/Economics – Magna Cum Laude 2010-2014

Working Papers

- 1. "The Politics of Academic Research," with Matthew Ringgenberg and Ingrid Werner, 2023
- 2. "The Proxy Advisory Industry: Influencing and Being Influenced," 2023
 - R&R at Journal of Financial Economics
 - Coverage: Forbes, National Review, Morning Consult, SEC Rule 33-11131
 - Best Paper in Corporate Finance at 2021 Northern Finance Association Annual Meeting
- 3. "Endogenous Risk-Exposure and Systemic Instability," 2022
 - R&R at Management Science
 - Best Paper Prize at 2020 European Finance Association Doctoral Tutorial
- 4. "Does Proxy Advice Allow Funds to Cast Informed Votes?" with John Matsusaka, 2022
 - Coverage: Chamber of Commerce v. SEC
- 5. "A Theory of Proxy Advice when Investors Have Social Goals," with John Matsusaka, 2021
 - Media Coverage: National Review

Work in Progress

6. Green Investors, Green Companies?, with Matthew Kahn, and John Matsusaka

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Presentations

Seminars

2022-2023: University of Kentucky (Gatton)*, Oregon State University

2021-2022: University of Southern California (Law School)*, University of Utah (Eccles)

2020-2021: University of Utah (Eccles), University of Iowa (Tippie), Cambridge University (Judge)*, Texas A&M University (Mays), University of Georgia (Terry), Vanderbilt University (Owen), University of Kansas, CUHK Business School, CUHK (Shenzhen), City University of Hong Kong, Tsinghua University (PBCSF), Peking University (Guanghua), Peking University (HSBC), Stockholm School of Economics, Western University (Ivey)

Conferences

2023 CEPR Conference on Politics, Corporations, and the Common Good (Rotterdam)	October 2023
Berle XIV: Developing a 21st Century Corporate Governance Model (USC Law)	March 2023
Annual Hedge Fund Research Conference (Universite Paris Dauphine)	January 2023
2022 Financial Research Association (FRA) conference De	ecember 2022
Finance Theory Group Summer Meeting (Central European University)	June 2022
Financial Intermediation Research Society (FIRS) Conference	June 2022
Wasatch Finance Conference	May 2022
American Finance Association Annual Meeting	January 2022
2021 Second Conference on the Interconnectedness of Financial Systems (FRB) De	ecember 2021
ESG and Climate Finance Conference: a COP26 Event (University of Glasgow)	October 2021
American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting (U Chicago)	October 2021
Northern Finance Association Annual Meeting Sep	ptember 2021
Summer Institute of Finance (Shanghai Advanced Institute of Finance)	July 2021
Midwest Finance Association Annual Meeting	March 2021
2020 Financial Stability Conference (Cleveland Fed and Office of Financial Research) No.	ovember 2020
Warwick Economics Ph.D. Conference (University of Warwick)	ovember 2020
Finance, Organizations and Markets conference (Dartmouth College)	October 2020
Northern Finance Association Annual Conference Sep	ptember 2020
CIRF & CFRI Joint Conference	August 2020
Young Economists Symposium (University of Pennsylvania)	August 2020
European Finance Association Doctoral Tutorial	August 2020
Dauphine Finance Ph.D. Workshop (Paris Dauphine University)	June 2020
2019 Office of Financial Research Ph.D. Symposium (U.S. Treasury Department)	October 2019
CIRANO-Sam M. Walton College of Business Workshop on Networks	October 2019
FDIC Annual Bank Research Conference Seg	ptember 2019
2018 China International Risk Forum (Zhejiang University)	ecember 2018
Financial Management Association Annual Meeting	October 2018
North American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society (UC Davis)	June 2018
Trans-Atlantic Doctoral Conference (London Business School)	May 2018
AFA Annual Meeting Ph.D. Poster Session	January, 2018

(* indicates presentations by co-authors)

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Media Coverage

News Media

1. Forbes, 2. National Review, 3. Morning Consult, 4. Marginal Revolution, 5. National Affairs

Regulation and Lawmakers

1. U.S. House of Representative Judiciary Committee, 2. SEC Final Rule 33-11131, 3. SEC Commissioner Mark T. Uyeda, 4. State of Utah and 25 Other States as Amici Curiae

Substantive Blog Posts

- 1. "Does Proxy Advice Allow Funds to Cast Informed Votes?," CLS Blue Sky Blog: Columbia Law School's Blog on Corporations and the Capital Markets. July 22, 2021
- 2. "The Competitive Landscape of the Proxy Advice Market," CLS Blue Sky Blog: Columbia Law School's Blog on Corporations and the Capital Markets. June 25, 2020
- 3. "Why Proxy Advice Might Be Slanted," with John G. Matsusaka, CLS Blue Sky Blog: Columbia Law School's Blog on Corporations and the Capital Markets. April 30, 2020
- 4. "Endogenous Risk-Exposure and Systemic Instability," Nanyang Business School Forum on Risk Management and Insurance. December 25, 2018

Industry Experience

AQR Capital Management, LLC (Greenwich, Connecticut)

Ph.D summer internship

June 2018 - August 2018

Awards

Best Paper in Corporate Finance, Northern Finance Association (Proxy Advisory Industry)

2021

Best Paper, European Finance Association Doctoral Tutorial (Endogenous Risk-Exposure)

2020

Teaching Experience

FINAN 7801 (Utah): First-year Ph.D. Corporate Finance
Fall 2023
FINAN 4030 (Utah): Corporate Finance
Falls 2021-2023
FINAN 4040 (Utah): Intermediate Corporate Finance
Fall 2021
BUAD 306 (USC): Business Finance
Summer 2019

Skills

Programming

Python, MATLAB, STATA, SQL, AWS, WRDS Cloud, PHP, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, LATEX

Languages

Chinese (native), English (fluent)

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Professional Activities

Conference Organizing & Committee

Rising Scholar Committee, Eastern Finance Association Meeting 2024
Program Committee, Utah Winter Finance Conference 2021, 2022, 2023
Organizer & Program Committee, USC Marshall Ph.D. Conference in Finance 2018, 2019

Program Committee, FMA Annual Meeting 2018

Program Committee, FMA Applied Finance Conference

2018

Refereeing

Journal of Finance, Review of Financial Studies, Management Science, Journal of Empirical Finance

Discussion

2018 LBS TADC, 2018 FMA, 2018, CIRF, 2020 YES, 2020 CIRF, 2021 CIRF, 2021 FMA

External Reviewer

Hong Kong Research Grants Council

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