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Education

Ph.D (finance), 1992, University of Chicago, Chicago, U.S.A.

M.B.A.(finance), 1988, University of Chicago, Chicago, U.S.A.

M.S. (quantitative economics), 1984, Fudan University, Shanghai, China.

B.S. (mathematics), 1982, East-China Normal University, Shanghai, China.

Academic Employment

1997-present. Assistant professor (1997-1999), associate professor with tenure (2000-2010), full professor (2010-2021) and chair professor (2021-present), School of Business and Management, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Hong Kong.

1991–2000. Assistant professor (1991-1998) and associate professor with tenure (1998-2000), Faculty of Business, University of Alberta, Canada.

1984–1985. Lecturer, School of Management, Fudan University, Shanghai, China.

Academic Awards and Distinctions

Global Chinese Real Estate Congress (GCREC) 2013 Conference, Third prize for best papers (with H. Wang and W. Dai).

China International Conference in Finance 2006 Best Paper Award, (with L. Fan)

Financial Management Association Competitive Paper Award, 1996 (with J. He and L. Ng).

Research Interests

Asset pricing theories and empirical studies.

Financial markets and institutions in China and Japan.

Professional Activities

Ad hoc referee:

Journal of Finance

Review of Financial Studies

Journal of Financial Economics

Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis

Journal of Business

Management Science

Journal of Empirical Finance

Journal of Econometrics

Journal of Financial Econometrics

Journal of Banking and Finance

Econometric Reviews

European Financial Management

Finance and Stochastics

International Review of Finance

Hong Kong University Grants Committee

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City University of Hong Kong, Grants Committee

Associate editor: International Review of Finance, 2013–2018.

Publications

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