# Michael L. Hamilton

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# EMPLOYMENT

### University of Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, PA

2019 -

Katz Graduate School of Business

- Assistant Professor of Business Analytics and Operations

# EDUCATION

### Columbia University

New York, NY

2014 - 2019

Ph.D. in Operations Research

- Advisor: Adam N. Elmachtoub

- Thesis: Pricing Tools and Analysis for Emerging e-Commerce Technologies

# **Rutgers University**

New Brunswick, NJ

2010 - 2014

B.S. in Mathematics

- Minors: Computer Science, Operations Research

# WORKING PAPERS

Note: All author ordering is alphabetical as is convention in OR/MS.

 Titing Cui, Michael L. Hamilton. Optimal Feature-Based Market Segmentation and Pricing. Major Revision at Operations Research.

June 2023

- Accepted to the  $18^{th}$  Conf. on Web and Internet Economics (WINE), 2022.
- Third Place, INFORMS Service Science Best Cluster Paper Award, 2022.
- 2. Titing Cui, Michael L. Hamilton. *Pricing Strategies for Online Dating Platforms*. Major Revision at Manufacturing & Service Operations Management.

June 2023

- Finalist, 2024 POMS College of Service Operations Management (CSOM) Best Student Paper.
- 3. Alex DiChristofano, Michael L. Hamilton, Qiqi Hao, Sera Linari. Platform Design with Prosocial Participants: Lessons from 412Connect.

Major Revision at **Operations Research**.

Jan. 2024

- Accepted to the 1<sup>st</sup> ACM Conf. on Equity and Access in Algorithms, Mechanisms, and Optimization (**EAAMO**) as *Project 412Connect: Bridging Students and Communities*, 2021. Oral Presentation.
- New Horizons Award for Best Paper Bridging Research and Practice at ACM EAAMO'21.
- 4. Michael L. Hamilton, Raghav Singal. Churning While Experimenting: Maximizing User Engagement in Recommendation Platforms.

Reject and Resubmit at Manufacturing & Service Operations Management.

May. 2024

- Finalist, 2020 RMP Data-Driven Research Challenge.
- 5. Titing Cui, Esther Gal-Or, Mike Gordon, Michael L. Hamilton, Jennifer Shang. The Effects of Competition on Corporate Sustainability.

Submitted. Dec. 2023

- Accepted to the 3<sup>rd</sup> ACM Conf. on Equity and Access in Algorithms, Mechanisms, and Optimization (EAAMO), 2023.
- 6. Titing Cui, Michael L. Hamilton. Fresh Rating Systems: Structure, Incentives, and Fees. Submitted.

June 2024

### **PUBLICATIONS**

1. Adam N. Elmachtoub, Vishal Gupta, Michael L. Hamilton. *The Value of Personalized Pricing*. Management Science

April 2021

- Accepted to the  $15^{th}$  Conf. on Web and Internet Economics (WINE), 2019.
- Finalist, INFORMS Service Science Best Cluster Paper Competition, 2018.
- 2. Adam N. Elmachtoub, Michael L. Hamilton. *The Power of Opaque Products in Pricing*. **Management Science**

Jan. 2021

- Accepted to the  $13^{th}$  Conf. on Web and Internet Economics (WINE), 2017.
- Feature article, discussion in Management Science Review
- 3. Ningyuan Chen, Adam N. Elmachtoub, Michael L. Hamilton, Xiao Lei. Loot Box Pricing and Design. Management Science

Dec. 2020

- Accepted to the  $21^{st}$  ACM Conf. on Economics and Computation (EC), 2020.
- Finalist, 2021 CSAMSE Conference Best Paper Award.
- Winner, 2019 IBM Best Student Paper Award in Service Science.
- Presented at Federal Trade Commission (FTC) Workshop on Consumer Issues Related to Loot Boxes, 2019.

# Presentations

Notes: (\*) symbol indicates the talk was given by a coauthor. The (C) indicates the talk was given online.

- 1. Can Personalized Pricing be Progressive?
  - INFORMS Annual Conference (2024\*).
- 2. Managing Trade-offs Between Revenue, Access and Market Balance on Online Dating Platforms
  - POMS Annual Conference (2024\*), INFORMS Annual Conference (2024\*).
- 3. Hicksian Unit-Demand Pricing
  - INFORMS Optimization Society Conference (2024), INFORMS Annual Conference (2024).
- 4. Fresh Rating Systems: Structure, Incentives, and Fees
  - MSOM Annual Conference (2024), RMP Section Conference (2024), INFORMS Annual Meeting (2023, 2024\*).
- 5. Pricing Strategies for Online Dating Platforms
  - POMS Annual Conference (2023\*, 2024\*), CSASME (2023\*), INFORMS Annual Meeting (2022\*, 2023\*), University of Toronto, Rotman Young Scholar Seminar (2022), RMP Section Conference (2022, C\*), MSOM Annual Conference (2022), CORS Annual Conference (2022).
- 6. Optimal Feature-Based Market Segmentation and Pricing
  - WINE Conference (2022\*), INFORMS Annual Conference (2022, 2021), RMP Section Conference (2021, C), CORS Annual Conference (2021, C).
- 7. The Effects of Competition on Corporate Sustainability

- POMS Annual Conference (2023\*, 2024\*), MSOM Conference (2023\*), INFORMS Annual Conference (2022\*, 2023\*).
- 8. Churning while Experimenting: Maximizing User Engagement in a Recommendation System
  - MSOM Conference (2024), University of Tusla Seminar (2023), Pitt IE Seminar (2023), RMP Section Conference (2021, C).
- 9. Project 412Connect: Bridging Students to Communities
  - University of Tusla Seminar (2023), YinzOR Keynote (2023), INFORMS Annual Conference (2022\*, 2023\*), ACM EAAMO Conference (2021, C\*), Sara Fine Institute (SFI), Year in Data Seminar. (2021, C\*).
- 10. Loot Box Pricing and Design
  - RMP Section Conference (2021, C\*), MSOM Conference (2021\*), CSAMSE Conference (2021, C\*), CORS Annual Conference (2021, C\*), ACM EC Conference (2020, C\*), POMS Annual Conference (2020, C), INFORMS Annual Conference (2019\*), Federal Trade Commission (FTC) Workshop on Consumer Issues, (2019, \*).
- 11. The Value of Personalized Pricing
  - WINE Conference (2019), MSOM Conference (2018), RMP Section Conference (2018\*), POMS Annual Conference (2018), INFORMS Annual Meeting (2017, 2018, 2019).
- 12. The Power of Opaque Products in Pricing
  - UCLA, Anderson School of Management (2019), University of Pittsburgh, Katz Graduate School of Business (2019), WINE Conference (2017), MSOM Conference (2017), POMS Annual Conference (2017), INFORMS Annual Meeting (2016, 2018), RMP Section Conference (2016).

# TEACHING

#### Instructor and Course Lead at University of Pittsburgh

Data Analysis for Business (BQOM 1080)

Market Design Doctoral Seminar (BQOM 3025)

Fall 2019 - Fall 2023 Spring 2024

Teaching Assistant at Columbia University

Operations Consulting (IEOR 4111), Learning and Optimization (IEOR 8100), Linear Programming (IEOR 4004), Stochastic Models (IEOR 4106)

**Grader** at Rutgers University

Introduction to Computer Science (CS 111), Calculus I & II (Math 151/152)

# MENTORSHIP

#### PhD Student Co-Author

Enfeng Xing (Visiting Student), Tianjin University

2024

Kasra Tari (Co-Advisor), University of Pittsburgh

Fall 2022 -

Qiqi Hao (*Primary advisor*), University of Pittsburgh

Fall 2022 -

Titing Cui (*Primary advisor*), University of Pittsburgh.

Fall 2021 - Summer 2024

<u>First Placement</u>: Tenure Track Assistant Professor at the University of Tulsa

Alex DiChristofano (Co-Author), WUSTL DCDS

Fall 2020 -

#### PhD Thesis Committee Member

Jing Luo, University of Pittsburgh (2022), Titing Cui, University of Pittsburgh (Chair, 2024).

#### Undergraduate Advising

Mehba Teshome (2021  $\rightarrow$  Pitt MS), Stephen Imhoff (2021  $\rightarrow$  PNC, UIUC MS), Jingyao Wu (2022  $\rightarrow$  JHU MS), Lidong Yang (2022  $\rightarrow$  CMU MS), Tianren Wang (2022  $\rightarrow$  Columbia MS), Yusang Shen (2023  $\rightarrow$  UMich MS), Aoqin Yan (2023  $\rightarrow$  Pitt MS), Yichen Ding (2023  $\rightarrow$  Columbia MS), Tracy Wang (2023  $\rightarrow$  Columbia MS), Anna Jiang (2023  $\rightarrow$  Fed. RA).

# AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Awards	
Finalist, 2024 POMS CSOM Best Student Paper (to Titing Cui)	2024
Third Place, INFORMS Service Science Best Cluster Paper Competition	2022
EAAMO New Horizons Award for Bridging Research and Practice	2021
Third Place, 2021 CSAMSE Conference Best Paper Award	2021
Finalist, 2020 RMP Data-Driven Research Challenge	2021
Katz 2021 Excellence in Research Award	2021
Engaged Scholarship Development Initiative Summer Design Fellow	2021
Winner, IBM Best Student Paper Award in Service Science (to Xiao Lei)	2019
Finalist, INFORMS Service Science Best Cluster Paper Competition	2018
JMM Outstanding Poster Presentation Winner	2014
Scholarships	
Weill Scholarship	2013 - 2014
Rutgers Mathematics Honors Track	2013 - 2014
SAS Excellence Award, The Harry J. Riskin Scholarship	2012 - 2014
Scarlet Scholarship	2010 - 2014
Dean's Scholarship	2010 - 2014
Rutgers School of Arts and Sciences Honors Program	2010 - 2014

# FUNDING

LRDC Internal Award, Leveraging a Role-Based Collaboration Technology to Scaffold Multi-Stakeholder Experiential Learning (Amount: \$75,000) 2024-2025 (co-PI with Jamie Booth, Sera Linardi, Rosta Farzan, Kay Shimizu, and Erin Walker).

Pitt Seed Grant, Building DS4SJ Ecosystems: Sustaining Impact, (Amount: \$75,000). (co-PI with Sera Linardi, Bob Gradeck, and Nick Farnan).

Engaged Scholarship Development Initiative (ESDI) Grant. (Amount: \$3000)

# Professional Service

#### Reviewer

<u>Journals</u>: Management Science, Operations Research, Manufacturing & Service Operations Management, Production and Operations Management, IISE Transactions, Naval Research Logistics, Computational Management Science, INFORMS Journal of Computing.

<u>Conferences:</u> ACM Economics and Computation (EC) (2020, 2021, 2024), ACM Equity and Access in Algorithms, <u>Mechanisms</u>, and Optimization (EAAMO) (2021, 2022, 2023, 2024), WINE (2021, 2023).

<u>Prizes</u>: INFORMS PSOR Best Paper Award Competition (2023).

#### Session Chair

POMS.	Annual Conference	2023
INFOR	MS Annual Conference	2021, 2023(x2), 2024
$50^{th} NE$	BER Decentralization Conference: Mechanism Design for Vulnerable Populations	2020
Progra	m Committee	
ACM E	C	2024
WINE		2023
EAAM0	)	2021 - 2024
Univer	sity Service	
MCSIU	Indergraduate Research Advisor	2024
Busines	s Analytics Task Force Committee Member	2022 -
Faculty	Search Committee Member	2022, 2023
PhD $Aa$	lmissions Committee Member	2021 -
Faculty	Judge for YinzOR Poster and Flash Talk Competitions	2022, 2023

2022-2023

Instructor/Coach for Katz Super Analytics Challenge	2021, 2022
Race to the Case Logistics Faculty Judge	2019, 2021, 2022
Faculty Mentor for ACM Economics and Computation (EC)	2020
Academic Job Market Panel Organizer	2018
IEOR-DRO Seminar Student Organizer	2017

# OTHER EXPERIENCE

Media Math New York, NY Research Science Intern	2017
Amazon Research Seattle, WA	2016
Research Science Intern	
North Carolina State University REU Raleigh, NC	2012
Undergraduate Researcher	

# MISC.

Programming Languages: Python, R, Julia,  $\LaTeX$ 

Volunteering: School 2 Career (S2C) Tutor, Grief to Action (G2A) Member

Citizenship: USA
Other: Kidney donor

July 1992
Feb. 2023

References are available upon request.