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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

University of Alberta	2024 - present
Assistant Professor of Accounting	
University of British Columbia	2022 - 2023
Sessional Lecturer of Accounting	

EDUCATION

University of British Columbia	2024
Ph.D. in Accounting	
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	2019
M.S. in Finance	
Wuhan University	2018
B.S. in Financial Engineering	

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Disclosure and Governance, Big Data and Digital Economy, Trading and Supply Chain, Political Economy, Credit Markets, Healthcare and Innovation

WORKING PAPER

1. **Climate-linked Pay and Supply Chain Management**, solo-authored
 - Winner of 2024 WFA Brattle Group PhD Candidate Award for Outstanding Research
 - Winner of 2023 IMA Research Foundation Special Call Academic Grant
2. **The Effects of Mandatory Supplier Finance Program Disclosure on Credit Markets**, with Philip G. Berger and Christine Liu
3. **Coveting your Neighbor's Worker: IPOs, Talent Reallocation, and Innovation**, with Cyrus Aghamolla, and Richard T. Thakor
4. **Corporate Governance in Global Supply Chains: Evidence from Gender Quotas**, with Mengqiao Du and Gaizka Ormazabal
5. **Freedom of Speech and Government Stewardship**, with Stephanie F. Cheng, Ke Wang and Liandong Zhang
6. **Firm Political Alignment: Determinants and Consequences**, with Ping Jiang, Jing Li, and Jenny Li Zhang
7. **Cultural Alignment between Boardroom and Supply Chain**, with Yiwen Jin and Jenny Li Zhang

WORK IN PROGRESS

8. **Digital Collateral, Contracting Risk, and Credit Markets**, with Jung Koo Kang, Christine Liu, and Daniel Rabetti

MEDIA COVERAGE

1. How Ethnic Diversity on Boards of Directors Shapes Supply Chains?

[Columbia Law School Blue Sky Blog](#)

INVITED SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS (* = presented by co-authors)

2026: The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong* (Jan), The University of Oklahoma* (Feb)

2025: Online Accounting Workshop for Rookies 2023/2024 (Mar), Georgia State University* (Oct), The University of Manchester* (Oct), Lingnan University* (Dec)

2024: Huazhong University of Science and Technology (Dec), Wuhan University (Dec), Queen's University (Nov), Duke University (Feb), Rice University (Feb), University of Washington (Feb), Frankfurt School of Finance and Management (Jan), University of Alberta (Jan)

2023: National University of Singapore (Dec), Chinese University of Hong Kong (Nov), University of Hong Kong (Nov), Simon Fraser University (Nov), University of British Columbia (Aug), University of Delaware* (Mar)

2022: Peking University* (May)

INVITED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (* = presented by co-authors)

2026: MAS Midyear Meeting (Nashville, US), FARS Midyear Meeting* (San Antonio, US), FASB-CARC Emerging Financial Reporting Issues Research Symposium* (Norwalk, US), University of Alberta Accounting Research Conference (Canmore, Canada)

2025: Singapore Accounting Symposium (Singapore), PolyU Accounting Research Conference* (Hong Kong), The Japanese Accounting Review* (Kobe, Japan), Notre Dame Accountancy Research Conference* (Notre Dame, US), CSUF Haskell & White Conference (Fullerton, US), US Commodity and Energy Markets Association Annual Meeting (Houston, US), Haskayne and Fox Accounting Conference (Whistler, Canada), Global Finance Conference* (Boston, US).

Discussion: NBER Conference on “Compensation of Top Executives” (Cambridge, US)

2024: AIB-Canada Chapter Conference* (Calgary, Canada), Western Finance Association Conference (Honolulu, US), Haskayne and Fox Accounting Conference (Lake Louise, Canada), NBER Doctoral Training Workshop on Economics of Executive Compensation (Cambridge, US), IMA24 Accounting and Finance Conference (San Antonio, US), POMS Conference* (Minneapolis, US), University of Washington Foster Inclusion Workshop (Seattle, US), MAS Midyear Meeting (x2, Orlando, US).

Discussion: SFS Cavalcade Asia Pacific (Seoul, South Korea), Haskayne and Fox Accounting Conference (Lake Louise, Canada)

2023: NBER Conference on “Compensation of Top Executives” (Cambridge, US), JMAR Rookie Camp (Online), Conference on Financial Economics and Accounting (New Brunswick, US), Boston Accounting Students Symposium (Cambridge, US), AAA Annual Meeting (Denver, US), China International Conference in Finance (Shanghai, China), Haskayne and Fox Accounting Conference (Lake Louise, Canada), McGill Accounting Research Conference (Montreal, Canada), CAAA Annual Meeting (Québec City, Canada), Hawaii Accounting Research Conference (Honolulu, US)

Discussion: Haskayne and Fox Accounting Conference (Lake Louise, Canada), CAAA Annual Meeting (Québec City, Canada), Hawaii Accounting Research Conference (Honolulu, US), AAA Annual Meeting (Denver, US)

2022: AAA/Deloitte Foundation/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium (Dallas, US), FARS Midyear Meeting (Online)

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

2026: Statistical Challenges in E-Commerce Research (Tokyo, Japan)

2025: FARS Midyear Meeting (Atlanta, US), University of Alberta Accounting Research Conference (Banff, Canada)

2024: SOAR Accounting Symposium (Singapore), Contemporary Accounting Research Conference (Toronto, Canada), CPA Manitoba-Asper School of Business Accounting Research Conference (Winnipeg, Canada), UBC/Oregon/Washington Conference (Vancouver, Canada), University of Alberta Accounting Research Conference (Banff, Canada)

2023: Contemporary Accounting Research Conference (Vancouver, US), CAPANA Conference (Kunming, China), POMS Conference (Orlando, US)

2022: UBC/Oregon/Washington Conference (Seattle, US), Canadian Sustainable Finance Network Conference (Victoria, Canada)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Alberta, Alberta School of Business

Instructor, ACCTG 222 Introduction to Accounting for Management Decision Making	2025-
- Course coordinator	2026-

University of British Columbia, Sauder School of Business

Instructor, COMM 294 Managerial Accounting	2022
Teaching Assistant, COMM 294 Managerial Accounting	2022
Teaching Assistant, BAAC 501 Financial Statement Analysis (MBA)	2022
Teaching Assistant, COMR 457 Fundamental Financial Accounting	2021

HONORS AND AWARDS

WFA Brattle Group PhD Candidate Award for Outstanding Research	2024
UBC Paul Chwelos Memorial Graduate Scholarship of Teaching Excellence	2023
British Columbia Graduate Scholarship	2022-2023
AAA/Deloitte Foundation/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium Fellow	2022
UBC President's Academic Excellence Initiative PhD Award	2020-2023
UBC Dean Earle D. MacPhee Memorial Fellowship	2019-2023

RESEARCH GRANTS

SSHRC Insight Development Grant (PI , CAD 71,833)	2025-2027
SSHRC Insight Grant (PI , CAD 89,188)	2025-2029
China Institute Faculty Research Grant (PI , CAD 3,500)	2025-2026
University of Alberta Journal Article Revision Grant (PI , CAD 3,000)	2024-2025
University of Alberta Faculty Funded Research Grant (PI , CAD 40,000)	2024-2028
CAAA Research Grant (PI , CAD 7,000)	2024-2025
IMA Research Foundation Academic Grant (PI , USD 14,000)	2023-2024
UBC Sauder EDI Research Catalyst Grant (Co-PI , CAD 5,000)	2023-2024

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Journal & Conference Ad-hoc Reviewer

The Accounting Review, Management Science, Review of Accounting Studies, Contemporary Accounting Research, Journal of Accounting, Auditing & Finance, Managerial Auditing Journal, FARS Midyear Meeting, MAS Midyear Meeting, AAA annual conference, CAAA Conference, Hawaii Accounting Research Conference

Grant Ad-hoc Reviewer

SSHRC Insight Grant, CPA-CAAA Research Grant

Conference service

Canadian Academic Accounting Association Scientific Committee

2026

University of Alberta

Coordinator of CPA Research Speaker Series Workshop

2025-