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EDUCATION

UCLA, Anderson School of Management
Ph.D Management (Finance Concentration)
• Anderson Fellowship

Los Angeles, USA
September 2023-Present

Tsinghua University, School of Economics and Management
M.A. Finance

Beijing, China
September 2015-July 2018

- Cumulative GPA: 3.76/4.0; Rank: 1/106
- Honors: 2016 National Graduate Scholarship Recipient (highest scholarship from Ministry of Education of China), 2018 Beijing Distinguished Graduate Award (top 1% of the School of Economics and Management)

Central University of Finance and Economics, School of Insurance
B.A. Economics (Insurance Concentration)

Beijing, China
September 2011-July 2015

- Cumulative GPA: 92.44/100; Rank: 1/122
- Awards: 3 Distinguished Awards in Academy (ranked No.1 academically 3 times at the School of Insurance)

PUBLICATION

The Investment Efficiency of China's Outward Foreign Direct Investment (OFDI) along the Belt and Road: Based on the perspective of technology spillover and economic growth, with Mingzhe Zhang and Xin Li, *Macroeconomics (CSSCI journal)*, 46-58, 2022(03)

- This paper extends the endogenous economic growth theoretical model and conducts empirical research to analyze the influence of China's OFDI on the economic growth of host countries by constructing the panel data of 64 countries from 2005-2018 along the Belt and Road. Furthermore, the paper creates the core explanatory variable representing research and development spillovers from China's OFDI to host countries and makes the analysis of heterogeneity by dividing 64 countries along the Belt and Road into 6 geographic regions.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Silk Road Fund Limited ([Silk Road Fund](#))
Senior Manager, ESG Specialist, Research Department

Beijing, China
December 2019-July 2023

- Used statistical tools like Stata and financial databases like MSCI and PitchBook to assist with investment and research.
- Evaluated around 60 investment projects annually and drafted 3 strategic evaluation reports approved by the board.
- Led carbon footprint measurement project for a firm of 150 employees and a \$15 billion portfolio for annual reporting.
- Conducted impact funds and carbon credit market research to support \$550 million investments in two PE funds.

BlackRock ([Investment Management and Advisory Services | BlackRock](#))
China Client Business Team Analyst

Hong Kong, China
August 2018-October 2019

- Coordinated with investment, operations and risk departments to win over \$1 billion businesses from 6 institutions.
- Served 20 portfolios (equity, fixed income, alternative, cash) worthy of \$6 billion to cement the existing client relationship.

Asian Development Bank ([Asian Development Bank \(adb.org\)](#))
Private Sector Portfolio Management Team Spring Intern

Manila, Philippines
January 2018-April 2018

- Finalized a \$300 million PE portfolio quarterly performance review report, recognized by the ADB investment committee.

Swiss Reinsurance Company ([Swiss Re Group | Swiss Re](#))
Global Partnerships Team Summer Intern

Beijing, China
June 2017-August 2017

- Helped recalibrate the underlying financial models to renew a Catastrophe Insurance policy for Guangdong Province.

China Investment Corporation ([China Investment Corporation \(china-inv.cn\)](#))
Public Equity Department Summer Intern

Beijing, China
April 2017-June 2017

- Assisted in overseas (EMEA, US and EM) equity fund manager selection by producing over 10 due diligence reports.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Trade Union office representative of Silk Road Fund

October 2021-September 2022

Development pillar leader of BlackRock Women Initiative Network in Hong Kong

January 2019-October 2019

Committee member of BlackRock Dragon Boat Network in Hong Kong

December 2018-October 2019

MISCELLANEOUS

Languages: Chinese (native), English (proficient, GRE:342/346, TOEFL:113/120), French (basic)

Computing: Stata (skilled), SAS, EViews; Python, MATLAB

Financial Databases: PitchBook, Burgiss, Bloomberg, FactSet, S&P Capital IQ, Haver Analytics, Oxford Economics

Interests: Yoga (professional level), Singing (performing in streets), Cooking (holding small parties)