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RESEARCH INTEREST

AI & FinTech, Financial Intermediation, Corporate Governance

EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor of Finance, Freeman School of Business, Tulane University, 2025-Present

EDUCATION

PhD in Finance, Olin Business School, Washington University in St. Louis, 2025

MS in Finance, Olin Business School, Washington University in St. Louis, 2021

Non-Degree Visiting Student, Fisher College of Business, The Ohio State University

BBA in Finance & BS in Applied Mathematics, Peking University, 2018

WORKING PAPERS

1. The Effects of Investment Bank Consolidation on Municipal Finance

- [SSRN](#), [ProMarket](#)
- Recipient of Outstanding Doctoral Paper Award at EFA 2025 (Philadelphia)
- *Under Review*

2. The Welfare Benefits of Pay-As-You-Go Financing

- Coauthors: Paul Gertler, Brett Green and David Sraer
- [SSRN](#), NBER Working Paper No. 33484
- Revise & Resubmit at ***Review of Economic Studies***

3. Board Connections, Firm Profitability, and Product Market Actions

- Coauthors: Radha Gopalan and Alminas Žaldokas
- [SSRN](#), [CLS Blue Sky](#), ECGI Finance Working Paper No. 996/2024
- Recipient of John L. Weinberg/IRRCi Research Paper Award
- Recipient of Sudipto Bhattacharya Memorial Prize
- Revise & Resubmit at ***Journal of Financial Economics***

PRESENTATIONS & DISCUSSIONS

Conference Presentations

2026: AFA, Finance Down Under Conference

2025: AEA Poster Session, AFA, AFA Poster Session, EFA (Philadelphia), Financial Intermediation in the 3rd Millennium: Perils and Pearls Conference, FIRS, Georgia Tech-Atlanta Fed Household Finance Conference*, MFA, UD/Philly Fed Fintech & Financial Institutions Conference, WEFIDEV-RFS-CEPR Conference

2024: 13th Annual Municipal Finance Conference, CICF, EFA (Bratislava), European Winter Finance Summit*, NBER Fall Household Finance Meeting, WFA*, SFS Cavalcade North America, Weinberg/ECGI Corporate Governance Symposium

2023: AEA Poster Session, Chinese Economists Society North America Conference, CICF, EFA Poster Session (Barcelona), FIRS, International Industrial Organization Conference, MFA, NFA, NFI-Oxford Conference on Common Ownership, Experimental IO and Governance*

2022: CEPR Endless Summer Conference on Financial Intermediation and Corporate Finance, New Zealand Finance Meeting, SFS Cavalcade Asia-Pacific

Workshop Presentations

2025: Bristol Workshop on Banking and Financial Intermediation, Virtual Municipal Finance Workshop

2024: Nova School of Business and Economics Finance PhD Final Countdown, St. Louis Federal Reserve – WashU Olin Workshop*

2023: FIT IN Initiative Workshop at Toulouse School of Economics²

Seminar Presentations

2025: Boston College, CUHK, Nanyang Tech, Tulane

2024: WashU × 2 (Business Economics brown bag, Finance brown bag)

2023: WashU × 2 (Finance brown bag, RIS Scientific Compute Platform seminar)

2022: HKUST, WashU × 2 (Business Economics brown bag, Finance brown bag)

Discussions

2026: MFA × 2

2025: EFA (Philadelphia), NFA

2023: Chinese Economists Society North America Conference

2022: New Zealand Finance Meeting

* indicates presentation by coauthors

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Ad-Hoc Review Service

Journal of Corporate Finance

School Service

Master of Finance and Master of Management in Energy Curriculum Committee, 2025

Student representative to the PhD Students Committee at Olin Business School, 2021, 2022

Research Assistance

RA (2021-2023) for Prof. Anjan Thakor

RA (2020-2021) for Prof. Brett Green

RA (Pre-PhD) for various projects at Peking University

TEACHING

Financial Management (FINE 3010), Tulane University, Fall 2025

MISCELLANEOUS

Honors & Awards

2025: Outstanding Doctoral Paper Award at EFA 2025 (Philadelphia)

2024: John L. Weinberg/IRRCi Research Paper Award, Sudipto Bhattacharya Memorial Prize

Grants

2024: AFA Doctoral Travel Grant

2023: FIT IN Initiative Grant by Toulouse School of Economics

2022: EFA Doctoral Travel Grant

Media Mentions

2024: [ProMarket](#), [Forbes](#)

2023: [CLS Blue Sky](#)

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