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### **EDUCATION**

**University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill** Chapel Hill, NC Post-Doctoral Research Associate 2019-Present **Georgia State University** Atlanta, GA Ph.D. in Finance 2019 University of Iowa Iowa City, Iowa M.S. in Biology 2013 University of Science and Technology of China P. R. China 2004

B.S. in Biology

B.S. in Information and Communication System

# **RESEARCH**

#### **Research Interest**

FinTech (Machine Learning, Cryptocurrencies, Textual Analysis, Big Data, Blockchain), Empirical Asset Pricing, Investment

#### **Publications**

In Finance:

Cao, S, Z. Wang, and P. E. Yeung (2021). "Skin in the Game: Operating Growth, Firm Performance, and Future Stock Returns."

Forthcoming at Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis.

#### In Biology:

Zhang T, Wang Z, Wang L, Luo N, Jiang L, et al. (2013). "Role of the DSC1 Channel in Regulating Neuronal Excitability in *Drosophila melanogaster*: Extending Nervous System Stability under Stress."

PLoS Genet 9(3): e1003327.

## **Working Papers**

- 1. "Should risk averse investors hold crypto currencies in their portfolio: a machine learning approach" (Job market paper)
- 2. "The Risk-Return Relationship and Flight to Safety." (With Eric Ghysels, Alberto Plazzi, and Rossen Valkanov) - Ready for submission.

- 3. "The Real Effect of Disclosure on Company Decisions: Evidence from Portfolio Choices of Investment Companies." *Ready for submission*.
- 4. "Analyst Geographic Proximity to Industry Center, Industry Information, and the Efficacy of Analyst Research Output." (With Lixin Huang, Omesh Kini, and Ashutosh Tyagi) *Ready for submission*.
- 5. "Bitcoin and News Around the World in Twenty-Six Languages." (With Lucia Alessi, Eric Ghysels, and Marco Petracco)

## **Work-in-Progress:**

- 1. "News vs Social Media." (With Lucia Alessi, Eric Ghysels, and Marco Petracco)
- 2. "Pension-related business and syndicated loans: a potential conflict of interest."
- 3. "Super Bowl and financial analysts: an analysis of two behavior biases."

## **SERVICES**

#### **Referee Service**

Journal of Applied Econometrics

#### **Discussant**

AAA annual meeting, Aug 2018 31st Australasian Finance and Banking Conference

## **TEACHING**

Undergraduate level (Georgia State University):

Corporate Finance: Fall, 2015 - Spring, 2019.

Fundamental Real Estate: Summer, 2016; Spring, 2017.

Financial Analysis and Intro to Loan Structure (Case-based): Spring, 2019

MBA level (Georgia State University):

Learning Lab: Fall, 2016 – Spring, 2019.

FinTech (TA for Prof. Baozhong Yang): Fall, 2018

MBA level (UNC Chapel Hill):

Current Topics in Finance: FinTech (TA for Prof. Eric Ghysels):

Spring, 2020, Spring 2021.