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EDUCATION Ph.D. in Management (Finance) 2019–2026 (expected)

Mitch Daniels School of Business (March 2023–April 2024 maternity leave)

Purdue University West Lafayette, IN

M.S. in Economics 2019–2021
Purdue University West Lafayette, IN

Master of Finance 2017–2018 University of California, Riverside Riverside, CA

B.A. in Economics 2010–2014 Sun Yat-sen University Guangdong, China

RESEARCH INTERESTS Empirical Corporate Finance, Cost of Capital, Capital Structure, Small Business, Financial Intermediation, Bankruptcy, Corporate Governance, Household Finance, Real Estate Finance, FinTech, AI in Finance

WORKING PAPERS

Negative Capital Shock, Overseas Buyers, and Housing Market (Job Market Paper)

Abstract: In this paper, I explore the implications of a negative capital shock from China on local housing markets. By leveraging China's implementation of stricter foreign exchange purchase quota management for its citizens as an exogenous negative demand shock on foreign Chinese buyers in the US single-family homes market, my analysis reveals substantial effects on local housing assets. Not only did the volume of house transactions by foreign Chinese buyers significantly decline compared to other foreign ethnicities (Indian and Russian), but house prices also significantly dropped in neighborhoods that are popular among Chinese buyers. However, the magnitude of price drop is smaller than expected, especially when compared to positive demand shocks of similar magnitude reported in the literature. Additionally, the elasticity of housing supply, as implied by such a negative demand shock, is higher than that reported in existing literature. My findings explain why cross-border restrictions on capital inflows have had limited effects on local house prices and indicate that capital withdrawals by large corporate investors similarly may exert limited impact. **Selected Presentations:** FMA (2025), AREUEA National (2025), MFA (2025), AFA PhD Student Poster Session (2025)

Where Do Small Firms Get Debt Financing? (with Sergey Chernenko)

Revise & Resubmit, Journal of Financial Intermediation

Best Paper in Financial Intermediation & Markets, Semi-finalist, FMA (2025)

Abstract: We use detailed claim-level data from bankruptcy filings to study the types and sources of debt financing used by small firms. About half of firms in our data borrow from multiple lenders; 29% borrow from both bank and nonbank lenders. Only 29% of firms borrow exclusively from banks. We report detailed descriptive statistics on the types of debt used by small firms: credit cards, lines of credit, receivables financing, equipment financing, mortgages, and term loans. The smallest firms rely more on credit cards, receivables and equipment financing, while larger firms rely more on mortgages and lines of credit. Only half of the loans in our data are associated with UCC financing statements, calling for caution in using UCC filings as a proxy for small business lending. We examine the association between the structure of the local banking markets and the composition and sources of small business debt financing. Deposit concentration is associated with significantly lower share of bank debt, especially credit cards. Firms in counties with high deposit concentration appear to substitute to receivables financing and to mortgages from nonbank lenders. In counties with larger banks, small firms also substitute from bank to nonbank lenders. Finally, we investigate the presence of racial disparities in the utilization of different types and sources of debt financing. Black-owned firms rely significantly less on credit cards and receivables financing and more on

mortgages. Asian-owned firms are significantly less likely to get their debt from banks than observably similar white-owned firms.

Selected Presentations: FMA (2025), FDIC Bank Research Conference (2025), FSU Truist Seminar (2024)

Racial Disparities in Home Sales to Large Investors (with Sergey Chernenko)

Abstract: We show that minority homeowners are 45 - 120% more likely than white homeowners to sell to large buy-to-rent institutional investors. While location explains about half of the disparity in the propensity to sell to institutional investors, minority homeowners are still 20 - 40% more likely to sell to institutional investors than white homeowners selling observably comparable houses in the same census tract at the same time. We provide some evidence that minority homeowners are especially likely to sell to institutional investors in counties with historically larger disparity in prices at which Black homeowners sell their houses compared to white homeowners. We also explore the role of access to real estate agents of same race as the seller in the propensity to sell to institutional investors. Finally, we provide evidence of smaller disparities in sale prices when selling to buy-to-rent institutional investors and iBuyers, suggesting that their algorithmic pricing strategies help narrow racial price gaps in the housing market, especially for Black sellers.

Work In Progress Incorporating Address Histories into BIFSG for Enhanced Race Prediction (with Sergey Chernenko)

Abstract: Although Bayesian Improved First Name and Surname Geocoding (BIFSG) has been widely used in academic research to infer race, its reliance on a single, static geographic snapshot introduces notable misclassification errors. For example, an individual who moves from one Black-dominant tract to another Black-dominant tract is more likely to be Black – a nuance that a one-time geocode would miss. Therefore, we incorporate multiple address histories into BIFSG to improve its predictive accuracy.

Age and Rental Discrimination: Can Institutional Landlords Mitigate Bias? (with Qianfan Wu)

Abstract: Anecdotal evidence from China suggests that older adults face severe landlord discrimination when downsizing to rental housing. Leveraging the rise of large buy-to-rent institutional investors as a natural experiment, we assess whether similar age bias exists in the US and whether these landlords mitigate such discrimination by eliminating in-person renter screening.

CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS **2025:** FMA Annual Meeting (×2, scheduled), FDIC Bank Research Conference (scheduled), International Review of Finance Conference, AREUEA National Regular Session and Junior Scholar Session, MFA Annual Meeting, AFA PhD Student Poster Session, Purdue Krannert Finance Brown Bag

2024: FMA Doctoral Student Consortium, Florida State University Truist Seminar, Purdue Krannert Doctoral Research Symposium, Purdue Krannert Finance Brown Bag (×2)

Conference Discussions 2025 FMA Annual Meeting (scheduled): An Investigation of the Balance Sheet Cosmetics Hypothesis: Evidence from Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Filings by Christopher Naubert

LEACHING	
EXPERIENCE	

Introduction to Financial Management, Instructor, Purdue University

Corporate Finance, TA for Prof. Deniz Yavuz, Purdue University

Spring 2021, Fall 2019

Corporate Mergers and Acquisitions, TA for Prof. Sergey Chernenko, Purdue University

Fall 2021

Financial Management, TA for Prof. John McConnell, Purdue University

Fall 2020

Investment Management, TA for Prof. Chengdong Yin, Purdue University

Personal Finance Workshop, Instructor, UC Riverside

Spring 2019

Professional Experience Research Assistant, Quarterly Journal of Finance, Midwest Finance Association

Associate Manager, R&D Department, Hangzhou Lianhe Credit Rating & Consulting Co Ltd

Analyst, Hangzhou Lianhe Credit Rating & Consulting Co Ltd

2014-2015

TECHNICAL CODES AND REPORTS

Key Drafter, Zhejiang Provincial Industry Standard, DB33/T 2081–2017: Service and Management Codes

for Financial Leasing Enterprises

AREUEA Junior Scholar HONORS AND Awards

2025

AFA PhD Student Travel Grant

2025

Purdue Graduate Student Government Travel Grant

2024

Krannert Certificate for Excellent Teaching Award, Purdue University

2022

Krannert Doctoral Student Research Fund, Purdue University

2021

2019-2023

Krannert Award for Doctoral Study in Finance, Purdue University

National Encouragement Scholarship, Sun Yat-sen University

2017-2018

Half Scholarship from the Graduate Program in Finance, UC Riverside First Prize Scholarship of Excellent Students, Sun Yat-sen University

2013 2011-2012

SERVICE

Ad hoc reviewer for the European Journal of Finance

SKILLS, AND

Programming: Python, Stata, LaTex, R, SQL

OTHER

Databases: Verisk (Infutor), HMDA, PACER, S&P Capital IQ, Compustat, CRSP, BoardEx, IBES, D&B

Hoovers, Bloomington, LSEG (Refinitiv), Dewey, ISS, Factiva

Affiliation: Certified Financial Risk Manager Languages: English (fluent), Mandarin (native)

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REFERENCES

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