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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Finance, University of Arizona	August 2014-Present
Visiting Instructor, Purdue University	August 2013 - May 2014

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Finance, Purdue University	August 2013
Masters of Business Administration, Purdue University	July 2008
B.S. Mathematics, Jacobs University Bremen	June 2007

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Empirical Corporate Finance: policy uncertainty, corporate investments, international trade
Empirical Asset Pricing: cross-sectional return predictability, factor models, behavioral asset pricing
Machine Learning: Large language models, random forests, causal inference

RESEARCH

Publications

“Policy Uncertainty and Corporate Investment (2016)”, with Huseyin Gulen
Review of Financial Studies, Lead Article, Editor’s Choice Article

“Policy Uncertainty and Mergers and Acquisitions (2018)”, with Alice Bonaime and Huseyin Gulen
Journal of Financial Economics

“Exports, Investment, and Policy Uncertainty (2019)”, with Andrew Greenland and John Lopresti
Canadian Journal of Economics

“The Use of Asset Growth in Empirical Asset Pricing Models”, with Michael Cooper and Huseyin Gulen
Journal of Financial Economics, Forthcoming

Working Papers

“Credit Cycles, Expectations, and Corporate Investment”, with Huseyin Gulen and Stefano Rossi
Revise and Resubmit at the Review of Financial Studies

“Using Equity Market Reactions to Infer Exposure to Trade Liberalization”, with Andrew Greenland, John Lopresti and Peter K. Schott

“Policy Uncertainty, Corporate Risk-Taking and CEO Incentives”, with David Yin

Teaching Experience

University of Arizona	
FIN 525: Empirical Methods in Finance - Masters	Spring 2016-Present
FIN 421: Investments - Undergraduate	Fall 2014 - Present
FIN 521: Investment Analysis - Masters	Spring 2023
Purdue University	
Financial Management - Undergraduate	Fall 2013, Spring 2014
Financial Markets and Institutions - Undergraduate	Spring 2013
Investment Management - Undergraduate	Fall 2010

REFEREE ACTIVITY

Review of Financial Studies, Management Science, The Accounting Review, Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis, Journal of Banking and Finance, Journal of Accounting and Public Policy, Journal of Corporate Finance.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Eller Graduate Professionals Studies Committee	2019-Present
Eller Undergraduate Studies Council	2018 – 2019
Eller Hiring Committee	2016 – 2017
Finance Department Seminar Series Organizer	2015 – 2016
Finance Department Hiring Committee	2014 – 2015

PHD COMMITTEES

Yanguang(Alice) Liu (University of South Dakota)

William Beggs (University of San Diego)

Charles Favreau (Duquesne University)

CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

* coauthor presentation, ** discussant

2020

ASSA 2020 Annual Meetings (two papers)*

2019

NBER Summer Institute*, Federal Reserve Board of Governors*, Harvard University*, London School of Economics*, Princeton University*, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill*, University of Toronto*, University of Tokyo*, Purdue University*, Chinese University of Hong Kong*, Elon University*,

2018

Hitotsubashi Conference on International Trade and FDI*, Mid-Atlantic International Trade Workshop*, NBER Behavioral Finance Meetings*, Bocconi University*, Tilburg University*, Maastricht University*, Erasmus University Rotterdam*, FSU SunTrust Research Conference**, Midwest Finance Association Annual Meeting**

2017

University of Wisconsin-Madison, University of Arizona, Western Finance Association Annual Meeting**, Citrus Finance Conference**

2016

Arizona State University, Arizona Junior Finance Conference**

2015

Financial Management Association Annual Meeting**

2014

University of Arizona, Syracuse University

2013

Fordham University, Georgia State University, University of Georgia

AWARDS AND HONORS

University of Arizona, <i>Eller Dean's Award for Undergraduate Teaching Excellence</i>	Spring 2016
University of Arizona, <i>Scrivner Teaching Award</i>	Spring 2016
Krannert School of Management, <i>Award for Distinguished Teaching</i>	Spring and Fall 2013
Krannert School of Management, <i>Award for Outstanding Teaching</i>	Fall 2010