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EMPLOYMENT	Cornell University <i>Assistant Professor of Finance</i>	Ithaca, NY 2026 - Present
EDUCATION	Yale School of Management <i>Ph.D. in Financial Economics</i> <i>Dissertation: Essays on the Real Effects of Public and Private Financial Markets</i> <i>Dissertation Committee: Nicholas Barberis (Chair), Song Ma, Paul Goldsmith-Pinkham, Kelly Shue</i>	New Haven, CT 2020 - 2026
	MIT Sloan School of Management <i>Master of Finance</i> <i>Financial Engineering Concentration</i>	Cambridge, MA 2017 - 2018
	New York University Shanghai <i>B.S. in Computer Science and Business & Finance Double Major</i> <i>magna cum laude, Honor in Business Major</i>	Shanghai, China 2013 - 2017
RESEARCH INTERESTS	Behavioral Finance, Corporate Finance, Innovation, Entrepreneurship	
PUBLICATIONS	The Risk and Return of Impact Investing Funds <i>(with Jessica Jeffers and Kelly Posenau), 2024</i> <i>Journal of Financial Economics</i> 161, 103928	
WORKING PAPERS	Taking the Road Less Traveled? Market Misreaction and Firm Innovation Directions <i>(with Zunda Winston Xu)</i> Causal Inference in Financial Event Studies <i>(with Paul Goldsmith-Pinkham)</i> When Lenders Meet Venture Capitalists: Relationships in Venture Debt <i>(with Xugan Chen)</i> Watchdog or Showdog? Spotlight Chasing in Antitrust Enforcement <i>(with Zunda Winston Xu)</i> Context Dependence in Managerial Expectations	
WORK IN PROGRESS	Private Equity and the Financing of Industrial Policy <i>(with Song Ma and Ting Xu)</i> Associative Memory is Machine Learning <i>(with J. Leland Bybee)</i>	

Four (or More) Facts about Infrastructure Funds
(with Kelly Posenau)

From Patent to Product: Evidence of the Innovator's Dilemma in Incumbent Firms
(with Jiawen Wu and Zunda Winston Xu)

**TEACHING
EXPERIENCE**

Behavioral Finance Fall 2026-
Instructor, Cornell University

Asset Pricing Theory Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022
Teaching Assistant, Yale School of Management
Fall 2024 with Saman Majd & Jeffrey Rosenbluth, Fall 2025, Fall 2023 with Paul Fontanier, Fall 2022 with Stefano Giglio

Behavioral Finance Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
Teaching Assistant, Yale School of Management
with Nicholas C. Barberis

Finance and Society: The Rise of Private Capital Fall 2025
Teaching Assistant, Yale School of Management
with Song Ma

Financial Instruments for Speculation and Hedging Fall 2022
Teaching Assistant, Yale School of Management
with Stefano Giglio

Financial Markets & Macroeconomic Policy Fall 2023, Fall 2021
Teaching Assistant, Yale School of Management
with Alp Simsek

Hedge Fund Strategies Spring 2025
Teaching Assistant, Yale School of Management
with Andrea Frazzini and Ronen Israel

Venture Capital & Private Equity Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Spring 2024, Spring 2023
Teaching Assistant, Yale School of Management
Co-designed the course as Research Assistant, 2022
with Song Ma

**CONFERENCE
PRESENTA-
TIONS**

2027 AFA
2026 FMA, Holden, Fischer-Shain, Politics in Finance*, WFA*, EFA, MFA*
2025 NBER I^3 , FMA, SFA, SITE, NBER SI*, BEAM, SFS Cavalcade NA, EFA, MFA, AFA Regular Session
2024 FMA, WUSTL EGSC, NFA PhD Session, MFR Summer Session (Poster), ESSFM Evening Seminar*, USC Marshall PhD Conference
2022 5th Private Markets Research Conference; MFA*
2021 UN PRI Academic Network Conference; NBER Entrepreneurship Working Group*; PERC Symposium*; EUROFIDAI-ESSEC Paris December Finance Meeting*; Pre-WFA Early Career Women in Finance Conference*; Workshop on Entrepreneurial Finance and Innovation (WEFI)*; Southern California PE Conference*
2020 Chicago-Area Entrepreneurship Workshop*
*Including scheduled, * indicates presentation by coauthor*

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES *Referee:* Finance Research Letters, SN Business & Economic, Quarterly Journal of Finance
Conference Program Committee: SFA Annual Meeting (2025)

Discussions:

New Products

by Abhiroop Mukherjee, Bruno Pellegrino, Alminas Žaldokas, Yiman Ren, and Tomas Thornquist, WFA 2026

The Joint Impact of Analyst Consensus Opinion and Disagreement on Stock Returns
by Sulei Han, EFA 2026

Index Investing and Sentiment Spillover

by Adem Atmaz and Zibo Zhou, SFA 2025

Learning from the Little Guy: Innovation Spillovers from Private to Public Firms
by Melissa Crumling and Tanja Kirmse, EFA 2025

Risk Exposures from Risk Disclosures: What They Said and How They Said It
by Rahul Mazumder, Seth Pruitt, and Landon Ross, MFA 2025

AWARDS, GRANTS & HONORS	Open Data Fellowship, Innovation Information Initiative (I^3)	2025
	SFS Cavalcade PhD Student Grants	2025
	AFA PhD Student Grants	2025
	Semifinalist for Best Paper Award (Asset Pricing & Investments), FMA	2024
	Best Paper Award, USC Marshall PhD Conference in Finance	2024
	Yale SOM Broad Center Research Grant (with Song Ma)	2024
	Yale Graduate Fellowship	2020-2025
	MFin Excellence Award	2018
	Honors in Business Major	2017
NYU Shanghai Excellent Graduate	2017	

INVITED PARTICIPATIONS	MFR Summer Session for Young Scholars	2024
	Summer School on Structural Estimation in Corporate Finance	2023
	NBER Entrepreneurship Research Boot Camp	2022
	NBER Behavioral Macroeconomics Research Boot Camp	2022
	Yale Summer School in Behavioral Finance	2022

OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	Research Professional, Fama-Miller Center	2018 - 2020
	<i>University of Chicago Booth School of Business</i>	

PIs: Professors George M. Constantinides, Zhiguo He, Jessica S. Jeffers, Elisabeth Kempf, Stefan Nagel

NYU Shanghai Business Honors Program 2016 - 2017

NYU Stern School of Business

Advisor: Professor Jennifer N. Carpenter

Thesis: On Performance and Persistence of Mutual Funds in China

Research Assistant 2016 - 2017

New York University Shanghai

PI: Professor Yiqing Lü

Textual analysis of corporate 10-K filings

MSCI - MIT Sloan, Joint Finance Research Practicum, Boston, MA 2018

Constructed measures of factor crowding in systematic trading strategies

Accenture - MIT Sloan, Joint Analytics Lab, Cambridge, MA 2017

Performed sentiment analysis on earnings call transcripts

SKILLS & LANGUAGE

Certificates: CFA Level I (2017); Machine Learning at Stanford University (Coursera); Deep Learning Specification at deeplearning.ai (Coursera)

Language: Chinese (Native), English (Professional)

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