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Academic Appointments

Colorado State University Assistant Professor of Finance	2025 - Present
NHH Norwegian School of Economics Assistant Professor of Finance	2023 - 2025

Education

University of Connecticut Ph.D. in Finance	2018 - 2023
Colorado State University Master of Finance	2017 - 2018
University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point Bachelor of Science Major: Business Economics	2010 - 2014
CFA Institute Passed CFA Exam Level I (December 2017)	

Research Interests

Corporate Finance, Mergers and Acquisitions, Labor Economics, Executive Compensation, Product Market Competition

Working Papers

- **When Political Influence Loses Value: Import Competition and Investment in Corporate Lobbying.** With Ying Xing.
 - *Revise & Resubmit at Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis*
- **Shrink to Greatness? Evidence from Accounting-return Based Compensation Plans.** With Lingling Wang.
 - *Revise & Resubmit at Review of Corporate Finance Studies*

- **Paid Family Leave Laws and Firm Resource Allocation.** Solo-authored.
– Awards: *EFMA-WRDS 2023 Best Conference Research Award*
- **Agglomeration and Post-Merger Restructuring.** With Jarrad Harford and Yiming Qian.
– Media Coverage: ECGI Blog
- **Risk, Reward, and Ratings: How Firms Use Tax Avoidance to Sustain Inflated Credit Ratings.** With Sean Flynn, Todd Kravet, and Trent Krupa.
- **The Value in Learning: Rival Responses to Cybersecurity Breaches.** With Bharadwaj Kannan and Costanza Meneghetti.
- **Corporate Social Responsibility in Supply Chains: Evidence from Conflict Minerals Disclosure.** With Jiaying Li and Karin Thorburn.
- **Executive Pay Cuts: Solidarity or Bargaining? Evidence from the COVID-19 Pandemic.** With Cianna Durringer, Yiming Qian, and Lingling Wang.

Work in Progress

- **The Effect of Government Subsidies on Corporate Emissions.** With Trent Krupa.
- **Avoid the Middle: The Real Effects of Changes to the Smaller Reporting Company Definition.** With Sean Flynn.

Conference & Seminar Presentations

**Presentation by coauthor*

- 2025 2nd Lake District Workshop in Corporate Finance*; AFA; Bayes Business School*; CICF; Colorado State University; EasternFA; FMA Annual Meeting (x2); FMA-Europe(x2)*; Front Range Finance Seminar*; Journal of Corporate Finance Information, Contracts and Firms Conference*; MFA*; Nordic Initiative for Corporate Economics Conference(x2)*; SFA; University of Sussex*
- 2024 ATA Midyear Meeting*; EALE Conference; Eighth Annual Mergers and Acquisitions Research Centre Conference; EuropeanFA; FMA Annual Meeting; FMA-Asia/Pacific; FMA-Europe; MFA; NHH CCF Conference; NHH Norwegian School of Economics; Nordic Initiative for Corporate Economics Conference
- 2023 AAA Annual Meeting; AAA Spark Meeting*; EFMA Annual Meeting; FMA Annual Meeting; NHH CCF Conference; NHH Norwegian School of Economics(x2); University of Connecticut*; University of Washington – Terry Shevlin Retirement Conference*; Virginia Tech*

2022 University of Connecticut; University of North Dakota

Teaching Experience

Colorado State University

Fall 2025: International Finance (1 section)

NHH Norwegian School of Economics

Spring 2025: Master's Thesis Supervisor (1 group)

Fall 2024: BED3E Finance (1 section); Master's Thesis Supervisor (1 group)

Fall 2023: BED3E Finance (1 section)

University of Connecticut

Spring 2023: FNCE 3101 - Financial Management (2 Sections)

Fall 2021: FNCE 3101 - Financial Management (1 section)

Fall 2020: FNCE 3101 - Financial Management (1 section)

Fall 2019: FNCE 3101 - Financial Management (1 section)

Personal Honors and Awards

- EFMA-WRDS 2023 Best Conference Research Award (2023)
- University of Connecticut Finance Department Outstanding PhD Researcher (2022)
- University of Connecticut School of Business Rosenberg/McVay Scholarship (2021, 2022)
- University of Connecticut Finance Department Summer PhD Fellowship (2020, 2021, 2022)
- University of Connecticut Dean's Summer Fellowship (2019, 2020, 2021, 2022)
- Colorado State University Master of Finance Leadership Excellence and Academic Distinction Award (2018)

Service

- Ad-hoc Referee - Journal of Empirical Finance
- Discussant - FMA (2022, 2023, 2024); EFMA (2023); MFA (2024, 2025); FMA-Europe (2024, 2025); EasternFA (2025)
- Session Chair - MFA (2025); FMA-Europe (2025)
- Program Committee - SFA (2021); FMA-Europe (2024, 2025); FMA-Asia/Pacific (2024); FMA (2024, 2025)
- NHH Untenured Faculty Representative on the Finance Department Board (2023-2025)
- University of Connecticut PhD Student Speaker Series - Organizer (2021, 2022)

Professional Affiliations

- American Finance Association, American Economic Association, Eastern Finance Association, European Finance Association, Financial Management Association, Midwest Finance Association, Society for Financial Studies

Professional Experience

Skyward Inc.

Training Specialist - Finance/HR Systems

01/2015 - 07/2017