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POSITIONS

University of Mississippi, School of Business Administration 2025 – present
Assistant Professor of Finance

EDUCATION

Drexel University June 2025
Ph.D. in Finance

Pennsylvania State University May 2019
M.S. in Finance

Susquehanna University May 2017
B.S. in Finance & B.A. in Economics

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Corporate Finance, Innovation, Regulatory Economics, Labor, Corporate Governance

WORKING PAPERS

Regulating Inventors

Clark Outstanding Economics Research Award, LeBow College of Business, 2024.
Outstanding Doctoral Student Paper, Southern Finance Association, 2024.

Presentations: Financial Intermediation Research Society Annual Meeting 2025, Georgetown University Spring 2025 Labor and Finance Group Conference, Southern Finance Association 2024, Financial Management Association 2024, Financial Management Association European Conference 2024, American Law & Economics Association 2024 (Roundtable), Eastern Finance Association 2024, American Finance Association 2024 (PhD Poster Session), Financial Management Association 2023 (Special PhD Paper Presentation and Doctoral Consortium), Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia 2023, Financial Management Association European Conference 2023 (Doctoral Consortium), IFPHD Seminar 2024, University of Mississippi 2025, University of Massachusetts Amherst 2025, University of Denver 2024, Marquette University 2024, Florida Atlantic University 2024, San Diego State University 2024

Beyond Local Labor Markets: Social Connections and Inventor Mobility
with Jason (Pang-Li) Chen and Melissa Crumling

Presentations: Southern Finance Association 2024*, American Law & Economics Association 2024 (Roundtable)*, Eastern Finance Association 2024*, Columbia PE Conference PhD Workshop 2024*, IMFB Conference 2024*, Financial Management Association 2023*, WEFI Fellows Workshop 2023*, Drexel University Brownbag 2023

Limited Financial Reporting as a Takeover Barrier
with Eliezer Fich and Paolo Volpin

Presentations: Bretton Woods Accounting and Finance Ski Conference 2025*, Eastern Finance Association Annual Meeting 2025*, Bayes MARC Conference 2024*, Bocconi University 2025*, Rutgers University 2025*, University of Miami 2025*, University of Richmond 2025*, University of Delaware 2024*

*indicates presentation by coauthor

AWARDS & HONORS

2024	Outstanding Doctoral Student Paper, Southern Finance Association
2024	Dr. John J. Clark Outstanding Economics Research Paper Award, LeBow College of Business
2024	Graduate Student Association Domestic Travel Award, Drexel University
2024	AFA PhD Student Travel Grant
2023	Graduate Student Association Domestic Travel Award, Drexel University
2023	Global Engagement Fund Travel Grant, Drexel University
2019-2024	Dragon Plus Fellowship, Drexel University
2018-2019	Outstanding Student in Finance, Pennsylvania State University
2017	Outstanding Student in Finance, Susquehanna University
2017	Summa cum laude, Departmental Honors, & University Honors, Susquehanna University
2013-2017	Economics Research Assistantship – Matthew Rousu, Susquehanna University
2013-2017	Dean's List, Susquehanna University (All Semesters)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Conference Discussions
FMA 2026 (3x), Drexel Corporate Governance Conf. 2026, SouthernFA 2024, FMA 2024, FMA EuroConf 2024, ALEA 2024 Roundtable, EFA 2024, FMA 2023 (2x)

Invited Referee
Management Science, Journal of Banking & Finance, Journal of Economics Teaching

University Service
PhD in Finance admission committee (2025-present)
Financial Well-Being and Literacy presentation series (2026-present)

Conference Reviewer
Drexel Corporate Governance Conference 2027

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor:

University of Mississippi: Business Finance I
- Fall 2025 (4.1/5.0)
- Spring 2026 (4.0/5.0)

University of Mississippi: Two lectures, Ph.D. Investment Analysis: Spring 2026
Drexel University: Introduction to Finance: 2022–2023
- 4 sections (2 hybrid), avg. 3.5/4.0

Drexel University: Ph.D. Programming Seminar: 2022–2024
- 3 sections, 3-week "bootcamp"

Teaching Assistant:

Introduction to Finance, for Eliezer Fich (6 sections, 2 online)
Financial Institutions & Markets, for Greg Nini (3 sections)

INVITED EVENTS

Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia Mentoring and Advising Program 2023
Vitaly Meursault, Machine Learning Economist

PhD School on Structural Estimation in Corporate Finance 2023 (Wharton)
Luke Taylor, Stephen Terry, and Toni Whited

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Chief of Staff, Office of Private Equity – M&A Programs October 2018 – August 2019
SAP America, Inc.

Private Equity Analyst - Europe, Middle East, & Africa January 2018 – September 2018
SAP America, Inc.