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EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor of Finance, University of Alberta, 2020 – present

EDUCATION

PhD in Economics, University of California San Diego, 2020

B.A. in Joint Mathematics and Economics (summa cum laude), Emory University, 2014

PUBLICATIONS

“Partisan Fertility and Presidential Elections” (with Gordon Dahl and William Mullins), *American Economic Review: Insights*, forthcoming

“How Racial Animus Starts and Forms: Evidence from the Coronavirus Pandemic” (with Yanying Sophie Sheng), *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, Vol. 200, pp. 82-98, August 2022

“Social Undermining as a Dark Side of Symbolic Awards: Evidence from a Regression Discontinuity Design” (with Teng Li), *Organizational Behavior and Human Decision Process*, Vol. 173, pp. 104-184, November 2022

WORKING PAPERS

“Partisan Entrepreneurship” (with Joseph Engelberg, Jorge Guzman, William Mullins)

R&R at The Journal of Finance.

“Political Sentiment and Innovation: Evidence from Patenters” (with Joseph Engelberg, William Mullins, Richard Townsend)

“The Social Signal” (with Anthony Cookson, William Mullins, Marina Niessner)

“Stale Information in the Spotlight: The Effects of Attention Shocks on Equity Markets” (w/ Siyu Chen)

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Cross-State Strategic Voting” (with Gordon Dahl, Joseph Engelberg, William Mullins)

“Minority Entrepreneurship” (with Joseph Engelberg, Jorge Guzman, William Mullins)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Presentation

2022: AEA (x2), APPAM, SOLE (x2), MFA, EFA, SoCal Private Equity meeting, LMU Corporate Finance meeting, Banff Finance Conference, UC Riverside seminar, Sun Yat-sen University seminar

2021: NBER SI Entrepreneurship*, NBER SI Children*

2020: SFA, IBEF

2019: SWFA, SOLE, ABFE (New York)

2018: AFA poster, FMA PhD session, EMCON (Northwestern), Warwick Economics PhD Conference, Colloquium on Personnel Economics (Augsburg), All-CA Labor Economics Conference

Discussion

2022: MFA (x2), EFA (x2), NFA

2021: FIRS

Referee

Management Science, Journal of Corporate Finance

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

SSHRC Insight Development Grants, 2022-2025

China Institute Faculty Research Grant, University of Alberta, 2022-2024

Best Paper Award, Michigan State University FCU Conference, 2022

Best Paper Prize in Corporate Finance, MFA annual meeting, 2022

Best Paper Prize, Colorado Finance Summit, 2021

Hugh E. Pearson Fellowship, University of Alberta, 2021

SWFA Best Doctoral Paper in Financial Markets, Houston, 2019

Clive Granger Research Fellowship, UCSD, 2018

Associate-in Instructor Teaching Award, UCSD, 2018

Teaching Assistant Excellence Award, UCSD, 2017

Kroner Fellowship, UCSD, 2014

George Benston & Richard F. Muth Prize for Excellence in Economics, Emory University, 2014

Atlanta Economics Club Scholarship, Atlanta, 2014

Undergraduate Data Research Palooza Award, University of Pittsburg, 2013