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Education & Certificates

Columbia University, New York
Ph.D. in Accounting, 2012

University of Texas at Arlington
M.S. in Accounting, 2005

University of Maryland, College Park
M.B.A. Finance, 2001

CFA Level 2 Candidate
Certified Public Accountant, China

Work Experience

Saint Louis University
Assistant Professor, August 2012 – present
Instructor, August 2011 – August 2012

Freddie Mac, Mclean VA
Sr. Financial Analyst, Debt & Derivatives Accounting Group, 2001-2003

Fannie Mae, Washington D.C.
Financial Analyst, Treasurer's Office, 2001

Sun Microsystems, Palo Alto CA
Marketing Analyst, 2000

Research

Interests: the impact of managerial behavior on accounting decisions; voluntary and mandatory disclosures; the influence of accounting standards on corporate decisions and capital markets

Working Papers:

The systematic under-reporting in long-horizon management forecasts: an examination of bad news and good news management forecasts, presented at AAA annual meeting, Mid-Atlantic Region Conference 2010, and Northeast Region Conference 2009; press releases at Forbes, Kiplinger's, WebCPA, Accounting Today, and Investment News

Management overconfidence and audit Fees, with Scott Duellman and Yan Sun

Information asymmetry and SFAS 157 Fair Value Hierarchy Information

Relationship lending, debt contract renegotiation and accounting conservatism, with Feng Chen (University of Toronto), Yiwei Dou (New York University) and Jing Li (Carnegie Mellon University), American Accounting Association 2011 Annual Meeting, Canadian Academic Accounting Association 2011 Annual Meeting

SFAS 133 and bank income smoothing

Work In Progress:

CFO Tournament incentives and earnings management, with Scott Duellman, Ananth Seetharaman and Weimin Wang

The influence of RegFD on management forecasts

Investor sentiment and stock repurchase, with Ananth Seetharaman and Weimin Wang

Press Releases:

Forbes, October 26, 2010

Kiplinger's, October 20, 2010

Accounting Today, September 27, 2010

Investment News, September 26, 2010

WebCPA, August 18, 2010

Teaching

Interests: Tax, Financial Accounting, Managerial/Cost Accounting

Experiences:

Saint Louis University

Federal Income Taxation I: Individual Income Tax

Financial Accounting Intro

Conferences & Professional Development

New Faculty Consortium, 2013

Master Teacher Program by Georgia State University, 2012

AAA Annual Meeting, 2010 (Presented "Is bad news really more credible than good news? Evidence from management forecasts")

AAA Annual Meeting, 2010 (Discussed "Hedge funds: pricing controls and the smoothing of self-reported returns" by Gavin Cassar, U. of Pennsylvania and Joseph Gerakos, U. of Chicago)

AAA Northeast Region Meeting 2009 (Presented "Is bad news really more credible than good news? Evidence from management forecasts")

AAA Mid-Atlantic Region Meeting 2009 (Presented "Is bad news really more credible than good news? Evidence from management forecasts")

RAST Conference, 2006

Additional

Member of American Accounting Association, 2007-present