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Education

Doctorate of Philosophy, Finance

2015-2020 (*Expected*)

Virginia Tech, Pamplin College of Business

Blacksburg, Virginia

Master of Science, Quantitative Finance and Risk Analytics

2013-2014

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Lally School of Management

Troy, New York

Bachelor of Science, Mathematics and Applied Mathematics

2009-2013

Sun Yat-Sen University, School of Mathematics and Computational Science

Guangzhou, China

Working Papers

"Institutional Investors and CEO Compensation: The Voting Channel" with Jin Xu

Abstract: We study institutional investors' voting on compensation-related proposals initiated by management. Compared with management proposals on other topics, proposals on compensation issues are more contentious for mutual funds. We find that funds with greater bargaining power over their portfolio firms are more likely to vote against management in pay proposals. Consistent with institutional influence, mutual funds are more likely to vote against management when their portfolio firms make more excess CEO pay or target non-incentive pay and when the firms depict symptoms of poor governance. Failed proposals or proposals opposed by many mutual funds are associated with lower CEO pay, especially excess pay, in the following year. Collectively, evidence in this paper suggests that institutions play an important role in setting CEO pay through the voting channel.

"Are Mutual Funds Dumb in Lending Stocks?" with Andrew MacKinlay and Pengfei Ye

Abstract: We hand-collect data on actively managed equity funds' actual stock lending information and show that mutual funds make informed stock lending decisions. They tend to lend small market-cap, high growth, and high liquidity stocks. Although their lending decision is driven by lending fee, they do limit their supply when the lending fee is too high. Consistent with the smart lending hypothesis, funds that are more actively in lending tend to have higher performance. Overall, this paper provides the most direct evidence on the endogenous selection problem in the supply side of the stock short sales.

Experience

Academic	
Graduate Teaching Assistant	2015-Present
Virginia Tech, Pamplin College of Business	Blacksburg, Virginia
Research Assistant	2014-2015
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Lally School of Management	Troy, New York
Teaching Assistant	2014-2015
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Department of Mathematical Science	Troy, New York
Research Assistant	2011-2013
Sun Yat-Sen University, School of Mathematics and Computational Scie	nce Guangzhou, China
Professional	
Credit Risk Analyst	2015
Moody's Corporation	New York, New York
Risk Analyst Intern	2012
Standard Chartered Bank	Guangzhou, China
Skills	
Programming Language:	R, Python
Software:	SAS, Stata, MATLAB, LATEX
Language Ability:	English, Mandarin, Japanese
Academic Awards	
Pamplin Summer Research Grant:	2018
AFA Travel Grant:	2017
Rensselaer Assistantship:	2014
Excellent TA Award:	2014

Teaching Experience

Instructor 2018 Virginia Tech, Pamplin School of Business Blacksburg, Virginia Courses: Average Evaluations: 5.22/6 Investments: Debt-Equity-Derivatives Instructor TA 2014-2015 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Department of Mathematical Science Troy, New York Courses: Calculus II Average Evaluations: 4.34/5 Intro to Differential Equations Average Evaluations: 4.57/5 **Teaching Assistant** 2015-2019 Virginia Tech, Pamplin School of Business Blacksburg, Virginia Courses: For Dr. Jin Xu Corporate Finance Equity Securities For Dr. Pengfei Ye Investments: Debt-Equity-Derivatives For Dr. Pengfei Ye Introduction to Finance For Dr. Arthur Keown Financial Analytics For Dr. Bradley Paye Bank Management and Financial For Dr. George Morgan o International Financial Management For Dr. Douglas Patterson

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