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➤ Education

Ph.D. in Finance, UNC Charlotte, 2019
M.S. Math Finance, UNC Charlotte, 2014
B.S. Applied Mathematics, Nan Kai University, China, 2013

➤ Appointment

Assistant Professor	Middle Tennessee State University	2019 - present
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➤ Teaching

Level	Course	Average score
Undergraduate	Financial Management	4.10/5.00
Undergraduate	Investments	4.88/5.00
Undergraduate	International Financial Management	4.24/5.00
Undergraduate	Financial Market Institutions	4.00/5.00
Undergraduate	Cases in Finance	4.59/5.00
Undergraduate	Principles in Corporate Finance	NA

➤ Publication

Ji, S., Mauer, D.C. and Zhang, Y., 2020. Managerial entrenchment and capital structure: The effect of diversification. *Journal of Corporate Finance*, 65, p.101505.

Ji, S., King, THD, and Li, X., 2021. "Human capital cost and investment policy", *Review of Financial Economics* 39(3), 254-279.

➤ Working Papers

"Lending Relationships and the "Hold-up" Effect: Evidence from Bank Mergers", with David C. Mauer and Yilei Zhang
- Review and Resubmit at *Journal of Corporate Finance*

➤ Work in Progress

"Effect of Debt Structure on Merger and Acquisition Decisions and Outcomes", with Yilei Zhang.

"Tournament Incentive in Financial Institutions", with Licheng Jin.

"Stockholder Wealth Effects in International Cooperation: Evidence from China's Belt and Road

Policy”, with Xinxin Li.

“Human Capital Relatedness and Diversification Discount: Evidence in Merger and Acquisition”.

➤ **Professional Activities**

Journal Referee	Review of Financial Economics, Financial Innovation
Seminar presentations	UNC Charlotte, Middle Tennessee State University, California State University San Bernardino
Conference presentations	Belk-Kingston-Mercator Doctoral Workshop (2017), Midwest Finance Association Annual Meeting (2018, 2019), Southern Finance Association Annual Meeting (2017)
Discussant	Belk-Kingston-Mercator Doctoral Workshop (2017), Midwest Finance Association Annual Meeting (2018), Financial Management Association Annual Meeting (2020)
Session Chair	Southern Finance Association Annual Meeting (2017), Financial Management Association Annual Meeting (2018)

➤ **Award**

Award of student travel grant, MFA 2019

➤ **Computer Skills**

Programming: C++, Python, MATLAB, Stata, SAS

Database: COMPUSTAT, CRSP, Thomson Reuters, Mergent FISD