

# Curriculum Vitae

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## ***EDUCATION***

Ph.D., Accounting, University of Kentucky (2013)

M.S., Economics, University of Kentucky (2010)

B.A., Mathematical Economics, University of Kentucky (2006)

## ***ACADEMIC POSITIONS***

Assistant Professor of Accounting — State University of New York at Binghamton  
(2013 – present)

## ***RESEARCH INTERESTS***

Information theory

Accounting comparability/closeness

Fundamental analysis

Portfolio Selection

Number theory

## ***PUBLICATIONS***

*An Evaluation of the Usefulness of Alternative Accounting Measures of Performance in Managers' Bonus Contracts—Advances in Quantitative Analysis of Finance and Accounting* (Forthcoming) with Dave Ziebart and Hongmei Jia

**WORKING PAPERS**

*A New Measure of Firm–Group Accounting Closeness* (with Dave Ziebart and Anthony Meder, Resubmitted to **Contemporary Accounting Research**–2nd round) – Presented at Binghamton University (March, 2013), Rutgers University (November, 2012), Miami Rookie Camp (December, 2012) and University of Kentucky (October, 2012)

*The Information Content of Accounting Reports: An Information Theory Perspective* (submitted to **Information**–1st Round) – Presented at Binghamton University (December, 2013) and University of Kentucky (April, 2013)

*The Correlation Anomaly: Return Comovement and Portfolio Choice* (with Joshua Madsen and Gordon Alexander, Planning to submit to **Review of Financial Studies**) – Presented at University of Kentucky (November, 2015), Binghamton University (October, 2015) and Ohio State University (September, 2015)

*Board Structure and Corporate Governance: Does Hiring a Retired Director Improve Monitoring?* (with Pamela Brandes, Ravi Dwarwadkar and Linna Shi, planning to submit to **Accounting Review**)

*The Determinants of Accounting Comparability Around the World* (with Linna Shi and Hong Xie, planning to submit to **Accounting Review**)

**WORKS IN PROGRESS**

*Corporate Spinoffs and CEO Compensation* (with Qiongyao Zhang and Murali Jagannathan)

*The Determinants of U.S. Financial Statement Comparability* (with Hong Xie and Chong Wang)

**DISSERTATION**

*A Closer Look at Firm–Group Closeness*

Committee: Dave Ziebart (Chair), John Fellingham (Co-Chair), Hong Xie, Jeff Payne, Jeremy Sandford

**INVITED RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS**

Ohio State University (September 2015) – *The Correlation Anomaly: Return Comovement and Portfolio Choice*

University of Kentucky (November 2015) – *The Correlation Anomaly: Return Comovement and Portfolio Choice*

State University of New York at Binghamton (March 2013) – *The Information Content of Accounting Reports: An Information Theory Perspective*

Rutgers University (December 2012) – *The Information Content of Accounting Reports: An Information Theory Perspective*

### **INVITED CONFERENCES/OTHER PRESENTATIONS**

2016(May) Society for Financial Studies (SFS) Finance Cavalcade, University of Toronto — *The Correlation Anomaly: Return Comovement and Portfolio Choice* (**Presenter**)

2015(October) Conference on Financial Economics and Accounting, Rutgers University (**Discussant**)

2015(August) Carnegie Mellon Mini-Accounting Theory Conference, Carnegie Mellon University (**Attendee**)

2015(August) AAA Annual Meeting, Chicago IL (**Reviewer**)

2014(January) AAA/Ernst & Young New Faculty Consortium, Leesburg VA (**Attendee**)

2012(December) AAA/University of Miami Accounting Rookie and Research Camp, University of Miami — *A New Measure of Firm–Group Accounting Closeness* (**Presenter**)

2012(August) AAA Annual Meeting, Washington D.C — *A New Measure of Firm–Group Accounting Closeness* (**Presenter**)

2012(February) AAA International Accounting Section Mid–Year Meeting, Phoenix, AZ (**Discussant**)

2010(April) AAA Ohio Regional Meeting, Columbus, OH — *An Evaluation of the Usefulness of Alternative Accounting Measures of Performance in Managers' Bonus Contracts* (**Presenter**)

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Assistant Professor — Binghamton University Accounting Area (2013-)

Teaching Assistant — Univ. of Kentucky Accounting Dept. (2009-2013)

Teaching Assistant — Univ. of Kentucky Mathematics Dept. (Fall 2006)

***COURSES TAUGHT***

Cost Accounting (Fall 2013–Fall 2015)

Financial Accounting Intro. (Spring 2010–11, Summer 2009–13)

Managerial Accounting Intro. (Summer 2011–12, Spring 2012–2013)

Pre-Calculus & Trigonometry (Fall 2006)

***SERVICE***

Undergraduate Committee, 2013–2015

Advise current PhD student Qiongyao Zhang on her research project – *Corporate Spinoffs and CEO Compensation* (2015)

Faculty participant in several case competitions and mentorship roles (2013-2016)

***PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE***

Assistant Budget Officer — Univ. of Kentucky, 12/06 – 8/08

***AWARDS & HONORS***

University of Kentucky Gatton College of Business & Economics Beta Gamma Sigma  
Outstanding Graduate Student Teacher of the Year (2012–2013)

AAA/Deloitte Foundation/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium in Tahoe City,  
CA (Summer, 2011)

***PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS***

AAA — Financial Accounting and Reporting Section (2008–present)

AAA — Management Accounting Section (2008–present)