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Current Position

Assistant Professor, Olin Business School, Washington University in St Louis, since 2014

Other Affiliations

CEPR (Research Affiliate), since 2017
Finance Theory Group (Member), since 2015
Labor and Finance Group (Member), since 2015
Macro-finance Society (Member), since 2018
Systemic Risk Centre (Research Associate), since 2014

Academic Visits

LSE, Fall 2019
University of Washington, Fall 2019
Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, Spring 2018
EIEF, Spring 2017
Toulouse School of Economics, Fall 2015, Spring 2017
Stanford GSB, Fall 2016

Education

PhD Finance, London School of Economics, 2014
MSc Finance and Economics, London School of Economics, 2009
MSc Mathematics, University of British Columbia, 2007
BSc Mathematics, Simon Fraser University, 2005

Accepted Papers

Deadlock on the Board (with Nadya Malenko and Giorgia Piacentino), 2019, accepted, *RFS*

The Paradox of Pledgeability, 2018 (with Denis Gromb and Giorgia Piacentino), 2018, forthcoming, *JFE*
Contracting to Compete for Flows (with Giorgia Piacentino), 2018, *JET* 173
Resaleable Debt and Systemic Risk (with Eva Micheler), 2018, *JFE* 127(3)
Household Debt and Unemployment (with Giorgia Piacentino and Anjan Thakor), 2017, *JF* 74(3)
Warehouse Banking (with Giorgia Piacentino and Anjan Thakor), 2018, *JFE* 129(2)

Working Papers

Intermediation Variety (with Giorgia Piacentino and Anjan Thakor), 2019, R&R, *JF*
Conflicting Priorities: A Theory of Covenants and Collateral (with Denis Gromb and Giorgia Piacentino), 2019
Money Runs (with Giorgia Piacentino), 2019
The Opportunity Cost of Collateral (with Mina Lee and Giorgia Piacentino), 2018
Netting (with Giorgia Piacentino), 2018
Procyclical Promises, 2018

Presentations

An asterisk indicates a presentation by a co-author

scheduled Cornell

Federal Reserve Bank of New York

OFR

Oxford

2019 Diamond–Dybvig 36

Econometric Society

FIRS

Georgetown

GSU–CEAR Finance Conference

LSE

NBER Corporate Finance*

New York Fed/NYU Conference on Financial Intermediation

RCFS/RAPS Conference at Baha Mar

SED

University of Washington

WFA

Yale Junior Finance Conference

2018 AFA ($\times 2^*$)

ASU Sororan Winter Finance Conference

CEPR Gerzensee Corporate Finance Week*

Cambridge Corporate Finance Theory Symposium*

Duke

EFA*

EIEF Rome Junior Finance Conference

EIEF Rome Conference on Macroeconomics "Pizzanomics" ($\times 2^*$)

Essex

FIRS (Barcelona; $\times 2^*$)

FSU Suntrust Beach Conference

Imperial College

Maryland

Maryland Junior Finance Conference

McGill

MFA

Northwestern

SFS (Yale)*

Summer Finance and Accounting Conference at the Hebrew University ($\times 2^*$)

UBC

UBC Winter Finance Conference

UCL

2017 AEA

Barcelona GSE Summer Forum*

Bank of Italy

Berkeley

Boston University

Cambridge Corporate Finance Theory Symposium*

CEPR Gerzensee Corporate Finance Week

Conference on Financial Intermediation at the Bank of Portugal*

Early Career Women in Finance Conference*

EIEF ($\times 2^*$)

FDIC 17th Annual Bank Research Conference

FRA

Finance Theory Group Meeting at LSE ($\times 2^*$)

OxFIT

Paul Woolley Center Tenth Annual Conference*

Rutgers

2017 Summer Workshop on Money, Banking, Payment and Finance at the Bank of Canada*

University of Amsterdam

WFA

Wharton Conference on Liquidity and Financial Fragility

Wisconsin Money, Banking, and Asset Markets Conference (“Mad Money”)

2016 IDC Summer Conference ($\times 2^*$)

Finance Theory Group Meeting at Boston College

Finance Theory Group Meeting at Imperial*

FIRS (Lisbon)

FRA

Jackson Hole Finance Group*

LAEF OTC Markets and Securities Workshop

London Business School Female Economists Conference*

Napa Conference on Financial Markets

NBER Corporate Finance

SED Warsaw*

SFS (Toronto)*

Stanford GSB FRILLS

Stanford Macro Lunch

UNC

Wisconsin Money, Banking, and Asset Markets Conference (“Mad Money”)*

WFA

2015 Bank of Canada

Bank of England

Bank of Portugal Conference on Financial Intermediation (Lisbon)*

Canadian Economic Association

CEPR European Summer Symposium in Financial Markets (Gerzensee) (×2*)

CFF Conference (Gothenburg)*

Colorado Finance Summit

Duke–UNC Conference

European Finance Association (Vienna)*

Finance Theory Group Summer School at Wash U

Financial Intermediation Research Society (Reykjavik) (×2*)

IDC Summer Finance Conference (Tel Aviv)

International Monetary Fund

Labor and Finance Group Conference (Nashville)*

London Business School Summer Symposium

Midwest Macro Conference (St Louis)

Society of Economic Dynamics (Warsaw)

Paul Woolley Conference (Sydney)

Summer Workshop on Money, Banking, Payments and Finance (St Louis Fed)*

Toulouse School of Economics

2014 Bank of Canada

Econometric Society European Summer Meetings (Toulouse)

European Economic Association (Toulouse)

European Finance Association (Lugano)

Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia

FIRS (Quebec City)

Indiana University

NBER Summer Institute

Oxford Saïd

SciencesPo v UBC

Wash U

2013 Transatlantic Doctoral Conference (LBS)

Discussions

2019 ASU Sonoran, “Belief Polarization and Investment,” by Garlappi, Giammarino, and Lazrak

FIRS, “Liquidity and the Structure of Financial Intermediation,” by Diamond, Hu, and Rajan

Kentucky Finance Conference, “Salient Crises, Quiet Crises” by Baron, Verner, and Xiong

LBS Summer Symposium, “Optimal Delegated Contracting” by Buffa, Liu, and White

Gerzensee, “Sovereign Debt Ratchets and Welfare Destruction” by DeMarzo, He, and Tourre

Yale Program on Financial Stability Conference, “Overcoming Borrowing Stigma: The Design of Lender of Last Resort Policies” by Hu and Zhang

2017 Adam Smith Conference (HEC), “Endogenous Agency Problems and the Dynamics of Rents” by Biais and Landier

Barcelona GSE Summer Forum, “Incentive Constrained Risk Sharing, Segmentation, and Asset Pricing” by Biais, Homber, and Weill

WFA-CFAR and JFI Conference on the Post-Crisis Evolution of Bank and Financial Markets, “Bank Net Worth and Frustrated Monetary Policy” by Zentifis

2016 European Winter Finance Conference, “A Theory of Operational Risk” by Basak and Buffa

FIRS (Lisbon), “Shareholder Wealth Consequence of Insider Pledging of Company Stock as Collateral for Personal Loans” by Dou, Masulis, and Zein

SFS (Toronto), “‘Rewarding Disagreement’ for Optimal Collective Decisions” by Khanna and Schroder

Stanford GSB Junior Faculty Workshop on Financial Regulation and Banking, “Regulation and the Evolution of the Financial Sector” by Stavrakeva

Wisconsin Money, Banking, and Asset Markets Conference, “Cash Burns” by Alvarez and Lippi

2015 European Finance Association (Vienna), “Is Market Timing Good for Shareholders” by Babenko, Tserlukevich, and Wan

Barcelona Summer Forum on Financial Intermediation and Risk, “Financial Contracting with Enforcement Externalities” by Drozd and Serrano-Padial

UNC Junior Faculty Roundtable, “Labor Leverage and the Value Spread” by Donangelo, Gourio, and Palacios

2014 Law and Economics Forum (LSE), “Civil Liability of Rating Agencies” by Lehmann

2013 FMA “R&D Investments, Profitability Uncertainty and Firms’ Valuation” by Vo

Transatlantic Doctoral Conference, “Design of Basket Securities in Segmented Markets” by Ramírez

Refereeing

Economica

Journal of Corporate Finance

JF

JFE

JFI

JFQA

JMCB

JME

Journal of Public Economics

Management Science

Review of Finance

RFS

Conference Program Committees

2019 Colorado Finance Summit

Midwest Finance Association

Wash U–CFAR Corporate Finance Conference

2018 Cambridge Corporate Finance Theory Symposium

Colorado Finance Summit

FIRS (Barcelona)

Wash U–CFAR Corporate Finance Conference

2017 Colorado Finance Summit

FIRS (Hong Kong)

JFI Conference to Honor Stuart Greenbaum

Wash U–CFAR Corporate Finance Conference

2016 Colorado Finance Summit

Wash U–CFAR Corporate Finance Conference

2015 Wash U–CFAR Corporate Finance Conference

Teaching Experience

Washington University in St Louis

Options, Futures, and Derivative Securities (BSBA): Spring 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019

Options and Futures (MBA): Spring 2017, 2018, 2019

London School of Economics

Class teacher, Contract Theory (MSc): 2011-2012, 2012-2013

Class teacher, Financial Economics (MSc): Lent 2010, 2011-2012, 2012-2013

Course support manager, Financial Engineering (MSc): Michaelmas 2012

Class teacher, Principles of Finance (BSc): 2010-2011, 2011-2012

University of British Columbia

Instructor, Calculus for the Physical Sciences (BSc): Fall 2006

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