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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

The London School of Economics and Political Science London, UK
Assistant Professor of Accounting *Since 2021*

EDUCATION

Harvard Business School Boston, MA
Ph.D. in Business Administration, Accounting and Management *2016 – 2021*

Bentley University Graduate School of Business Waltham, MA
M.Sc. in Accountancy *2013 – 2014*

University of Cambridge Cambridge, UK
M.Phil. in Development Studies *2012 – 2013*

Harvard College Cambridge, MA
A.B. in History (magna cum laude) and Economics (secondary field) *2008 – 2012*

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

“How does judges’ personal exposure to financial fraud affect white-collar sentencing?” (with Trung Nguyen and Aneesh Raghunandan), *Journal of Accounting Research*, forthcoming

“How do online conflict disclosures support enforcement? Evidence from personal financial disclosures and public corruption,” *The Accounting Review*, 2024

“Creating firm disclosures” (with Amir Amel-Zadeh and Eugene F. Soltes), *Journal of Financial Reporting*, 2019

WORKING PAPERS

“How does legislators’ personal exposure to financial fraud affect support for financial regulation?” (with Trung Nguyen and Aneesh Raghunandan)

“‘Rubber stamp’ audits and audit quality” (with Peter Wagner, Jan Knoepfle, and Deniz Kattwinkel)

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

“Lawyers’ networks and M&A antitrust” (with Pietro Ramella and Carol Seregini)

“Corrupt courts” (with Trung Nguyen and Aneesh Raghunandan)

“CEO backgrounds and firm diversity outcomes” (with Aiysha Dey, Joshua White, and Abbie Smith)

CASES

“Carillion PLC and its auditors” (in Kenneth A. Merchant and Wim A. Van der Stede, 2023, *Management control systems: Performance measurement, evaluation, and incentives*, London: Pearson, Ltd.)

TEACHING AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

The London School of Economics and Political Science

2022-2023 AC 412 Accountability, Organizations and Risk Management

2022-2023 AC 424 / AC 470 Accounting in the Global Economy

2022 AC 101 Managerial Accounting and Financial Control

Harvard Business School

2020 Reimagining Capitalism (teaching assistant)

2018 Financial Reporting and Control (teaching assistant)

2013-2015 Leadership and Corporate Accountability (research associate)

CONFERENCES AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS

2024 **Barcelona Accounting Summer Workshop, Esade**, discussant

2024 **AMBS/LUMS Accounting Research Conference, Manchester Business School**, discussant

2024 **CBS Junior Accounting Faculty Conference**, participant

2023 **CSR Speaker Series, University of Cambridge**, presenter

2023, 2024 **AAA FARS Midyear Meeting**, moderator and discussant

2022 **Tilburg University**, presenter

2022 **2nd Young Accounting Scholars Conference, University of Bristol**, presenter

2021 **JAR Second Registered Reports Conference**, selected participant

2020 **JAE Conference**, selected participant

2020 **AAA/Deloitte Foundation/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium**, presenter

2020 **Ph.D. Student Symposium, University of Texas at Austin**, selected participant

2020 **AAA FARS Doctoral Consortium**, selected participant

2018, 2019, 2022 **Harvard Business School IMO Conference**, participant
 2018 **AAA Annual Meeting**, moderator and discussant
 2018 **NBER Taxation of Business Income Conference**, participant
 2017 **ARCS Research Conference**, participant

HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

2023 **LSESU Teaching Award Nomination**, category: “outstanding teaching”
 2022 **LSESU Teaching Award Nominations**, categories: “excellent feedback and communication,” “inclusive education”
 2021 **Wyss Award for Excellence in Doctoral Research**, Harvard Business School
 2016 – 2021 **Doctoral Fellowship**, Harvard Business School
 2019 **TRAC Fellowship**, Syracuse University
 2015 **Contribution Award**, PricewaterhouseCoopers
 2013 – 2014 **Academic Scholarship Merit Aid Award**, Bentley University
 2012 – 2013 **History and Economics Prize Research Grant**, University of Cambridge
 2012 **Thomas T. Hoopes Prize for Outstanding Scholarly Work**, Harvard College
 2012 **Phi Beta Kappa Society**, Harvard College

AD HOC REFEREE

Accounting and Business Research, European Accounting Review, Journal of Accounting, Auditing and Finance, The Accounting Review

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Financial Reporting Council Consultant	London, UK 2022 – 2023
PricewaterhouseCoopers Experienced Associate, Asset Management	Boston, MA 2015 – 2016
J.P. Morgan Investment Bank Summer Analyst, Healthcare Group	New York, NY 2011

OTHER INFORMATION

Programming languages: R, Stata

Citizenship: U.S., *Settled status:* U.K.