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EMPLOYMENT

Ross School of Business, University of Michigan
Assistant Professor of Finance

2020-Present

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Finance
Rice University

2015-2020

M.A. Economics
Kent State University, Kent Ohio

2013-2015

M.B.A.
Kent State University, Kent Ohio

2010-2012

B.A. Marketing
Catholic University of Central Africa

2006-2009

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Entrepreneurial Finance, Private Equity, Financial Intermediation, Corporate Finance

PUBLISHED AND ACCEPTED PAPERS

“Discounting Restricted Securities” with Tarik Umar and Rustam Zufarov
Conditionally Accepted at *Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis*

SELECT WORKING PAPERS

“Misconduct Synergies” with Heather Tookes

“Diversity in Private Capital” with Johan Cassel and Josh Lerner

“Alumni Networks in Entrepreneurial Financing” with Ilya Strebulaev, Jon Garfinkel, and Erik Mayer

“Funding Black High-Growth Startups” with Lisa Cook and Steven Wu-Chaves

SELECT WORK IN PROGRESS

“Board of Directors in Private and Public Firms” with Johan Cassel and James Weston

“Startup Failure and Employee Outcomes” with Heather Tookes

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS, *denotes presentation by coauthor, **denotes scheduled

2022

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**

2022 NBER Entrepreneurship**

SFS Calvacade

Dartmouth Corporate Finance Seminar

University of Wisconsin

University of Michigan (Ross Brownbag) (X2)

Private Equity Research Consortium (PERC) Encore Seminar

Toronto Business Development Center

2021

American Finance Association (X2)

Private Equity Research Consortium (PERC) (X2)

Financial Management Association

Workshop on Entrepreneurial Finance and Innovation

University of Michigan (Ross Brownbag)

Yale School of Management

CFLP Blue Bag Lunches Gerald R. Ford School of Public

European Finance Association

University of Michigan (Ross Brownbag) (X2)

University of Michigan (Public Finance Seminar)

University of Pennsylvania (Wharton)

University of Toronto (Workshop on Gender, Race and Entrepreneurship)

University of Pennsylvania (Wharton)*

Indiana University (Kelley)*

University of North Carolina (Kenan-Flagler)*

University of London (Cass)*

University of Texas (McCombs)*

Urban Economics Association-ASSA Conference*

2020

Southwestern Finance Association*

University of South Carolina

University of Oklahoma

Kent State University

Rice University

SEC (DERA)
FINRA
University of Michigan
Indiana University
Purdue
Virginia Tech
Southern Methodist University
University of Iowa
Baruch College

2019

Lone Star Finance Conference*
Southwestern Finance Association
Rice University

2018

Financial Management Association
Midwest Finance Association
Rice University

2017

Rice University

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Conference Discussions

“Do Startups Benefit From Their Investors’ Reputation? Evidence from a Randomized Field Experiment” by Shai Bernstein, Kunal Mehta, Richard Townsend, and Ting Xu
Midwest Finance Association, Mar 2022
“Mistake-based Discrimination in Early-Stage Finance: Evidence from Security Choice” by Laura Lindsey and Luana Zaccaria
Workshop on Entrepreneurial Finance and Innovation, Jan 2021
“Investor Tax Credits and Entrepreneurship: Evidence from U.S. States” by Matthew Denes, Sabrina Howell, Filippo Mezzanotti, Xinxin Wang, and Ting Xu
Mid-Atlantic Research Conference (MARC), Mar 2021

Conference Program Committee

2022 European Finance Association Selection Committee
2021 AFA Poster Session Selection Committee
2021 European Finance Association Selection Committee

Referee

Review of Finance (3), Journal of Banking and Finance (1), Journal of Finance (1), Review of Financial Studies (1), Journal of Corporate Finance (2)

PhD ADVISING (Year, Discipline, First Placement)

Virginia Traweek, Member (2021, Finance, Texas Christian University)
James Caldera, Member (2021, Finance, Federal Reserve Board)

SCHOOL SERVICE

Member Ross Seminar Committee (2020 - 2021)
Ph.D Recruitment Committee (2020-)
Committee on Anti-Racism (CAR) (2020-)

MEDIA APPEARANCE

CLSBlueSkyLawBloG Columbia Law
Business Scholarship Podcast
Washington Post

TEACHING

Entrepreneurial Finance, BBA
Private Equity, Full-time MBA
Venture Capital, Full-time MBA
Global Private Equity, Full-time MBA
Topics in Entrepreneurial Finance and Innovation, Ph.D Reading Group

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Immigration Status: U.S. Permanent Resident
Personal: Married to Jacqueline Reitz with three children: Rylin, Maggie, and Sam.