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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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Southern Illinois University Carbondale 2019 – Present  
– Assistant Professor of Finance

## EDUCATION

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Ph.D., Finance, University of Kentucky 2019  
M.S., Financial Economics, Utah State University 2013  
B.S., Finance and Economics, Utah State University 2012

## PUBLICATIONS

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*Real Estate Shocks and Financial Advisor Misconduct* [[link](#)]  
– with Stephen G. Dimmock and William C. Gerken  
– 2021 **Journal of Finance**, 76, 3309–3346.

## WORKING PAPERS

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*Managerial Myopia and Product Market Reputation: Evidence from Amazon.com Reviews*  
– Presented at the Midwest Finance Association, Eastern Finance Association, Financial Management Association Doctoral Student Consortium, Financial Management Association Special PhD Paper Presentations, James Madison University, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, and the University of Kentucky.

*Dual Ownership as a Market Solution to Risk Shifting: Evidence from Loan Covenant Violations*  
– with Steven Irlbeck and Eric McKee  
– Presented at the Financial Management Association, Midwest Finance Association, Australasian Finance and Banking Conference, Southern Finance Association, and Southwestern Finance Association.

*Political Transactions Around Company Filings*  
– with Guitao Wen

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### *Southern Illinois University, Carbondale*

- BSAN 406: Information Visualization 2022
- BA 539A (PhD): Corporate Finance Seminar I [5.0/5.0] 2021
- FIN 462: Working Capital Management [4.7/5.0] 2019–2021
- FIN 469 / BA 536 (MBA): Security Valuation [4.5/5.0] 2019–2021
- Instructional seminars
  - Introduction to Web Scraping with Python (College) 2019

### *University of Kentucky*

- FIN 410: Investment Analysis [4.8/5.0] 2014, 2015, 2017, 2018
- Instructional seminars
  - Introduction to Web Scraping with Python (PhD) 2015, 2019
  - Presentations with RevealJS (College) 2019

### *Utah State University*

- ECN 2010: Introduction to Microeconomics [4.8/5.0] 2013
- ECN 6330: Applied Econometrics (MBA) [4.6/5.0] 2013

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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### *Referee*

- Journal of Pension Economics and Finance — 2019
- Pacific-Basin Finance Journal — 2019
- Review of Financial Economics — 2015

### *Dissertation Committee*

- Guitao Wen — expected 2023
- Maryam Farhang (Marketing) — expected 2022
- Zheng He — 2021

### *Conference Program Committee*

- FMA — 2020, 2021
- SFA — 2021, 2022

### *Presentations*

- Southern Finance Association — 2021
- Financial Intermediation Research Society — 2019
- Eastern Finance Association — 2019
- Midwest Finance Association — 2019
- Financial Management Association — 2018 (×2)

### *Discussions*

- Financial Management Association — 2015, 2016, 2019, 2021
- Southern Finance Association — 2021
- Eastern Finance Association — 2019

### *University/Departmental Service*

- Working Group for the School of Analytics, Finance, and Economics — 2019–2022
- Faculty Search Committee — 2019, 2021
- MS Analytics Ad Hoc Committee — 2021
- Analytics Curriculum Committee — 2019

### **AWARDS**

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Early Career Faculty Research Award Nominee	2021
Graduate Student Teacher of the Year	2019
Lockett Fellowship	2018
Gatton Fellowship	2013, 2014, 2015, 2016
Max Steckler Fellowship	2016
CFA Institute Recognition Scholarship	2013

### **OTHER**

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Passed Level 1 of the CFA Exam	2014
Bloomberg Essentials Certification (Bloomberg Terminal)	2011

### **TECHNICAL**

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- Data management and analysis
  - Python, Stata, SQLite
- Web crawling, scraping, and parsing
  - Python
- Document rendering
  - $\LaTeX$ , Beamer, RevealJS, HTML, CSS, Javascript
- Author of Stata packages
  - *sicff* (2017)
    - Converts SIC codes to Fama French industries
    - 11,000+ downloads
    - [SSC Archive link](#)
  - *recol* (2022)
    - Dynamically resizes columns in the data browser
    - 100+ downloads
    - [SSC Archive link](#)

### **LANGUAGES**

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- English (Native)
- Italian (Minimum Professional Proficiency)