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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

TULANE UNIVERSITY, FREEMAN SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
Assistant Professor of Finance, 2025-

EDUCATION

INDIANA UNIVERSITY, KELLEY SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
Ph.D. in Business, 2025
SHARIF UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY
M.S. in Economics, 2019
B.S. in Petroleum Engineering, 2016

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Empirical Corporate Finance
Political Economy
Banking

JOB MARKET PAPER

When Political Connections Backfire: Social Protests, Asset Damage, and Firms' Response

- Michael J. Barclay Young Scholar Award at the FRA Conference
- Analyzing over 1.1 million corporate assets, I find that assets of politically connected firms are significantly more likely to incur damage during social protests. I further document how these firms respond: during protests, they obscure their political ties; afterward, they insure additional assets and expand coverage on existing policies.

WORKING PAPERS

How Do Politicians Conceal Private Returns Under Asset Disclosures? The Valuation Channel (with Yongseok Kim)

Does Conscious Consumption Scale? Evidence from Home Purchase Decisions (with Yongseok Kim)

Robots Don't Vote: Political Cycles in Financing Automation (with Kristoph Kleiner)

Forming Banking Relationships: The Role of Hiring Bankers (with Ankit Kalda)

WORK IN PROGRESS

- Corruption, Talent, and Innovation (with Isaac Hacamo)
- A Promise in the Name of God (with Yongseok Kim)

- Verbal Commitments in the Debt Market: Just Cheap Talk? (with Yongseok Kim)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

INDIANA UNIVERSITY, KELLEY SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Equity & Fixed-Income Investments (evaluation: 6.2/7)	2023
Intermediate Corporate Finance (evaluation: 5.7/7)	2023

SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT

PhD Brown Bag Seminars Coordinator	2024
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CONFERENCE DISCUSSIONS

FMA 2024

Politically Smart: Political Sentiment Signaling of Private Enterprises by Du, Huang, Wermers, and Wu

SFA 2024

CEO Cultural Heritage, Corporate Social Responsibility, and Firm Value by Sarker and Elnahas

CONFERENCE SESSION CHAIR

FMA 2024: Socioeconomic Issues Session

HONORS & AWARDS

Michael J. Barclay Young Scholar Award, FRA Conference	2024
Craig Holden Memorial Doctoral Fellowship (\$2,000)	2024
William G. Panschar Undergraduate Teaching Award, Finalist	2024
Virgil Thomas DeVault Fellowship (\$10,000)	2024
Harry R. Kelsey Fellowship (\$5,000)	2024
Designated as the National Scientific Elite	2016
Iran's Nationwide Economics Olympiad, Finalist	2016
Ranked 1 st in Iran's Nationwide University Entrance Exam for M.S. in Energy Economics	2016
Ranked 7 th in Iran's Nationwide University Entrance Exam for M.S. in Economics	2016
Ranked 1 st in the RoboCup Junior Competition, Rescue League	2007