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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

University of Southern California (2017 – Present)

Assistant Professor of Accounting

Maternity Leave in 2018 & 2021, COVID Extension in 2020

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Accounting, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 2017

B.S., Economics, Brigham Young University (summa cum laude), 2011

Minors: Business Administration, French, Arabic

BYU Accounting Ph.D. prep track

ACADEMIC RESEARCH

Citations:

2,000+ Google Scholar Citations (as of December 2025)

Research Interests:

Emerging technologies, Textual Analysis, Local Information, Healthcare, Investor Activism

Peer-Reviewed Publications:

8. “Differential Communication and Local Information Advantage: Revelations from Translation Differences” (with Tina Lang, Forester Wong, and T.J. Wong). Forthcoming at *The Accounting Review*.
7. “SEC Attention, A to Z” (Solo-authored). Forthcoming at *Contemporary Accounting Research*.
6. “Short Squeezes After Short-Selling Attacks” (with Forester Wong and Wuyang Zhao). *Journal of Accounting Research* 63 (2025), 1187-1236. Presented at the 2024 *Journal of Accounting Research* conference.
5. “The Power of Numbers: Base-Ten Threshold Effects in Reported Revenue” (with Derrald Stice, Earl K. Stice, and Han Stice). *Contemporary Accounting Research* 39 (2022), 2903-2940.
4. “The Firm Next Door: Using Satellite Images to Study Local Information Advantage” (with Jung Koo Kang and Forester Wong). *Journal of Accounting Research* 59 (2021), 713-750. Presented at the 2020 *Journal of Accounting Research* Conference.
3. “Updating Accounting Systems: Longitudinal Evidence from the Healthcare Sector” (with Eva Labro). *Management Science* 66 (2020), 5485-6064.

2. “The Evolution of 10-K Textual Disclosure: Evidence from Latent Dirichlet Allocation” (with Travis Dyer and Mark Lang). *Journal of Accounting and Economics* 64 (2017), 221-245. Presented at the 2016 *Journal of Accounting and Economics* conference.
1. “Textual Analysis and International Financial Reporting: Large Sample Evidence” (with Mark Lang). *Journal of Accounting and Economics* 60 (2015), 110-135. Presented at the 2014 *Journal of Accounting and Economics* conference.

Non-Peer-Reviewed Academic Publications:

3. “Practical Issues to Consider When Working with Big Data” (Solo-authored). *Review of Accounting Studies* 27 (2022), 1117-1124. (Covered in PhD seminar at Boston University)
2. “What Have We Learned and Where Do We Go with Textual Research? A Discussion of Cazier and Pfeiffer (2017)” (with Travis Dyer and Mark Lang). *Journal of Financial Reporting* 2 (2017), 133-138.
1. “Do Managers Really Guide Through the Fog? On the Challenges in Assessing the Causes of Voluntary Disclosure” (with Travis Dyer and Mark Lang). *Journal of Accounting and Economics* 62 (2016), 270-276.

Working Papers:

- “Consistency is Key: Does Costing Information Consistency Help Hospitals Manage Costs?” (with Eva Labro and Ginger Scanlon)
- “Potential Activism and the Threat of Public Campaigns” (with Carmen Payne-Mann and Forester Wong)
- “Textual Feedback as a Control Mechanism: Evidence from Patient Comments” (with Carolyn Deller, Henry Eyring, and Shelley Li)

Work-in-Progress:

- “Are V-Shaped Patterns in Stock Price Following Short-Selling Attacks Ipso Facto Evidence of Market Manipulation?” (with Zihui Li, Forester Wong and Wuyang Zhao) Data analysis stage.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Editorial Board, *Review of Accounting Studies*, 2023-present
Editorial Board, *Journal of Accounting and Economics*, 2025-present

Reviewer for: *Journal of Accounting and Economics*, *Journal of Accounting Research*, *The Accounting Review*, *Review of Accounting Studies*, *Journal of Finance*, *Review of Financial Studies*, *Management Science*, *Contemporary Accounting Research*, *NEJM Catalyst Innovations in Care Delivery*, *Journal of Banking and Finance*, *European Accounting Review*, *Journal of Financial Reporting*, *Journal of Business Finance and Accounting*, *Accounting Horizons*, MIT Asia Conference, Conference on Financial Economics and Accounting, Hawaii Accounting

Research Conference, Conference on Current Research in FinTech, American Accounting Association Annual Meeting and FARS and MAS Subsection Mid-Year Meetings

USC Service

- Recruiting Committee member, USC, 2018-Present
- Accounting Research Forum Co-Coordinator, 2023-Present
- Dissertation Committee member, USC: Carmen Payne-Mann (2026), Jonathan Craske (2025), Jung Koo Kang (2021), Tina Lang (2021)
- Oral Exam Committee member, USC: Xiangyu Li (2024), Carmen Payne-Mann (2023), Jesse Gardner (2021), Jung Koo Kang (2018)
- Faculty mentor for undergraduate Provost's Research Fellowship, USC: Sophie (Seohyun) Park (2023)
- Panelist, Marshall Panels on Women's Experiences in Research (MPOWER), 2019, 2017

Conference Service

- Co-director, Conference on Emerging Technologies in Accounting and Financial Economics (CETAPE) with Gerard Hoberg, 2025, 2022, 2019
- FARS Mid-Year Meeting Track Chair, "Big Data, FinTech, and AI," 2024
- Organizing Committee member, Review of Accounting Studies Conference, 2021
- Program Committee member, Conference on Current Research in FinTech, cohosted by Georgia State University and the Review of Financial Studies, 2020

Other Service

- Panelist, Early Career Advice, Journal of Accounting and Economics Doctoral Consortium, 2025
- Panelist, How to Write a Good Referee Report, FARS Ladies, 2025
- Panelist, Preparing for a PhD Program, BYU Accounting Symposium, 2020

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

London Business School, McGill Accounting Research Conference, Monash University, University of Houston	2025
Journal of Accounting Research Conference, Boston University, University of California San Diego, CUHK Shenzhen	2024
Hong Kong Polytechnic University Accounting Research Conference, University of Iowa, UNC Accounting PhD Alumni Event, USC Gould School of Law CLASS Workshop, City University of Hong Kong Brown Bag Series	2023
Columbia Junior Accounting Faculty Conference, Concordia University, George Washington University Cherry Blossom Conference, Harvard Business School, Singapore Management University, UMass Boston, University of Mannheim, University of Michigan	2022
American University, BYU Accounting Research Symposium, University of Oklahoma	2021
Journal of Accounting Research Conference, Ohio State University, University of Oregon, Syracuse University	2020

BYU Accounting Research Symposium, University of Illinois Young Scholars Research Symposium, University of Minnesota, Washington University in St. Louis	2019
CUHK Accounting Research Conference, University of Washington, USC/UCLA/UCI/UCSD Multi-School University Conference	2018
Columbia, Emory, MIT, UCLA, University of Chicago, University of Michigan, University of Rochester, USC, Wharton, Yale	2017
BYU Accounting Research Symposium	2016
AAA Annual Meeting, BYU Accounting Research Symposium, Southern Economic Association Presidential Panel on "Textual Analysis and Financial Economics"	2015
Journal of Accounting and Economics Conference	2014
BYU Accounting Research Symposium	2012

INVITED DISCUSSIONS

Stanford Accounting Summer Camp, Doctoral Student Faculty Interchange	2025
Colorado Summer Accounting Research Conference	2024
Washington University in St. Louis Dopuch Conference	2023
Conference on Financial Market Regulation (CFMR), University of Maryland/SEC	2022
Review of Accounting Studies Conference (Best Discussant Award)	2021
Doctoral Student Faculty Interchange, AAA Annual Meeting	2019
HKUST Accounting Research Symposium	2017
Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, AAA Annual Meeting	2016
Conference on Financial Economics and Accounting	2013

TEACHING

- *University of Southern California*
 - Undergraduate Introduction to Financial Accounting, 2018-present
 - 2025 teaching evaluations average: 3.81/4
 - ACC 621 PhD seminar session (on emerging technologies research, successful PhD student practices, etc.), 2017-present
- *University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill*
 - Undergraduate Financial Accounting and Analysis, 2015

MEDIA MENTIONS AND OTHER WORK

Regulator-Related Mentions

Securities and Exchange Commission. Final Rule: "[Short Position and Short Activity Reporting by Institutional Investment Managers](#)." 13 October 2023. SEC.gov.

Securities and Exchange Commission. Final Rule: “[Management’s Discussion and Analysis, Selected Financial Data, and Supplementary Financial Information.](#)” 19 November 2020. SEC.gov.

Securities and Exchange Commission. Proposed Rule: “[Modernization of Regulation S-K Items 101, 103, and 105.](#)” 8 August 2019. SEC.gov.

SEC Speech, SEC Chairman Jay Clayton, “[Remarks at the Economic Club of New York.](#)” 12 July 2017

Deutsche Bundesbank (German Central Bank) Technical Report: “[Houston, we have a problem: Can satellite information bridge the climate-related data gap?](#)” February 2024.

Comment Letters to the SEC citing my work:

[PRI, 2020](#)

[Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen and Katz, 2016](#)

Media Mentions

You, Haifeng. “[A Man With a Machine.](#)” *South China Morning Post*. 6 January 2022.

Levine, Matt. “[Morgan Stanley Marks Office Space to Market.](#)” *Money Stuff. Bloomberg*. 14 June 2021. Bloomberg.com.

Gray, Wesley. “[Using Satellite Images to Study Local Information Advantage.](#)” *Alpha Architect*. 24 May 2021. AlphaArchitect.com

Smith, Claire. “[An Overview of Private Equity.](#)” *Schroders*. November 16 2020. Schroders.com

Teach, Edward. “[Rethinking Disclosure.](#)” *CFO Magazine*. 7 April 2016. CFO.com.

Lahart, Justin. “[Zeroing in on the Allure of a \\$1 Billion Sales Target.](#)” *The Wall Street Journal*. 20 April 2016. WSJ.com.

Other Writing and Presentations

USC Tommy Talk 2021 “[Words, Words, Words: How Emerging Technologies Can Help Us Harness the Power of Text](#)”

A short practitioner-oriented article based on Labro & Stice-Lawrence (2020) called “[How to Nip and Tuck Costs: Accounting System Upgrades Help Hospitals Identify Savings](#)” was published in ROI Magazine (Oct, 2016).

Dyer, Travis, Mark Lang, and Lorien Stice-Lawrence. “[The Ever-Expanding 10-K: Why Are 10-Ks Getting So Much Longer \(and Does It Matter\)?](#)” *Columbia Law School Blue Sky Blog*. 5 May 2016. clsbluesky.law.columbia.edu.

AWARDS, GRANTS, AND HONORS

- **USC**

- Top Referee Award, Review of Accounting Studies, 2024
- Referee of the Year Award, Journal of Accounting Research, 2024
- Institute for Outlier Research in Business (iORB) grants to host the Conference on Emerging Technologies in Accounting and Financial Economics (2025, 2022, 2019), with Gerard Hoberg
- Excellence in Refereeing Award, Journal of Accounting Research (2025, 2024, 2023, 2022)
- Best Discussant Award, Review of Accounting Studies Conference (2021)

- Google Cloud Education Grant (2021)
- **UNC**
 - AAA/Grant Thornton Doctoral Dissertation Award
 - Kenan-Flagler Business School Outstanding Student Award
 - Graduate School Dissertation Completion Fellowship
 - Leland J. Bellòt Summer Research Fellowship
- **BYU**
 - B.S. Summa Cum Laude
 - National Merit Scholar
 - BYU Office of Research and Creative Activities Undergraduate Research Grant
 - Member of Phi Kappa Phi
 - Dean's List

Other Experience

- PTA Auditor, 2018-2020
- BYU Marriott School Dean's Office & School of Accountancy Research Assistant, 2009-2011
- BYU Foreign Language Housing, French & German, 2007-2010
- BYU/University of Jordan, Arabic Language Program, 2008
- IFALPES, French Language Institute, 2005