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CURRENT ACADEMIC POSITION

The Marshall School of Business, University of Southern California

Accounting Circle Professor of Business Administration and Professor of Accounting, 2020–present.
Professor of Accounting, 2018–2020.
Arthur Andersen and Company Alumni Associate Professor of Accounting, 2016–2018.
Associate Professor of Accounting, 2015–2016.

PREVIOUS ACADEMIC POSITION

The University of Chicago Booth School of Business

Associate Professor of Accounting, 2011–2015.
Assistant Professor of Accounting, 2008–2011.

The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania

Assistant Professor of Accounting, 2006–2008.

EDUCATION

PhD, The University of Chicago Graduate School of Business, 2006.

MBA, The University of Chicago Graduate School of Business, 2006.

MBA, Finance and Accounting, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, *Summa Cum Laude*, 1999.

BA, Accounting and Economics, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, *Magna Cum Laude*, 1996.

PUBLICATIONS

“Strategic Syndication: Is Bad News Shared in Loan Syndicates?” With Andrea Down and Christopher Williams, 2022, *Review of Accounting Studies*, forthcoming.

“Contracting in the Dark: The Rise of Public-Side Lenders in the Syndicated Loan Market.” With Hami Amiraslani, John Donovan and Matthew Phillips, *Journal of Accounting and Economics*, 76, 2023.

“Institutional Dual-Holders and Managers’ Earnings Disclosure.” With Leila Peyravan, *The Accounting Review*, 97, 2022.

“The Harmonization of Lending Standards within Banks through Mandated Loan-Level Transparency.” With Jung Koo Kang and Maria Loumioti, *Journal of Accounting and Economics*, 72, 2021.

“CDS Trading and Non-Relationship Lending Dynamics.” With Jung Koo Kang and Christopher Williams, *Review of Accounting Studies*, 26, 2021.

“Accounting Quality and Debt Concentration.” With Ningzhong Li, Yun Lou and Clemens Otto, *The Accounting Review*, 96, 2021.

“Similarity in the Restrictiveness of Bond Covenants.” With Gus De Franco, Florin Vasvari and Dushyantkumar Vyas, *The European Accounting Review*, 29, 2020.

“Making Sense of Soft Information: Interpretation Bias and Loan Quality.” With Dennis Campbell and Maria Loumioti, *Journal of Accounting and Economics*, 68, 2019.

Top 8 Most Cited Articles published in the past 3 years, Journal of Accounting and Economics, 2022.

Invited to be presented at the 2018 Journal of Accounting and Economics conference.

Featured in Bloomberg (“Bros Don’t Let Bros Lend Money”), April 2017

Featured in MarketWatch (“The Reason your Loan Application is Rejected May Have Nothing to Do with Your Credit Score”), April 2017.

Featured in American Banker (“When ‘Soft’ Data Improves Loan Decisions, and When It Doesn’t”), May 2017.

“The Effect of Information Opacity and Accounting Irregularities on Personal Lending Relationships: Evidence from Lender and Manager Co-migration.” With Urooj Khan, Xinlei Li and Chris Williams, *The Accounting Review*, 94, 2019.

“Credit Default Swaps and Managers’ Voluntary Disclosure.” With Jae Kim, Pervin Shroff and Dushyantkumar Vyas, *Journal of Accounting Research*, 56, 2018.

Featured in Columbia Law School’s Blue Sky Blog (“How Credit Default Swaps Affect Managers’ Voluntary Disclosure”, September 2018).

Top 20 Most Downloaded Articles published between 2017–2018, Journal of Accounting Research.

“Enhancing Loan Quality through Transparency: Evidence from the European Central Bank Loan Level Reporting Initiative.” With Aytekin Ertan and Maria Loumioti, *Journal of Accounting Research*, 55, 2017.

“The Informational Role of the Media in Private Lending.” With Robert Bushman and Christopher Williams, *Journal of Accounting Research*, 55, 2017.

“Dynamic Threshold Values in Earnings-Based Covenants.” With Ningzhong Li and Florin Vasvari, *Journal of Accounting and Economics*, 61, 2016.

“Accounting Information in Financial Contracting: The Incomplete Contract Theory Perspective.” With Hans Christensen and Valeri Nikolaev, *Journal of Accounting Research*, 54, 2016.

Top 10 Most Cited Articles in 2017, Journal of Accounting Research.

“Media Coverage and the Stock Market Valuation of TARP Participating Banks.” With Florin Vasvari and Jeffrey Ng, *The European Accounting Review*, 24, 2015.

“A Debt Analysts’ View of Debt-Equity Conflicts of Interest.” With Gus De Franco, Florin Vasvari and Dushyantkumar Vyas, *The Accounting Review*, 89, 2014.

“The Role of Bank Reputation in “Certifying” Future Performance Implications of Borrowers’

Accounting Numbers.” With Robert Bushman, *Journal of Accounting Research*, 50, 2012.

“The Impact of Financial Reporting Quality on Debt Contracting: Evidence from the Internal Control Weakness Reports.” With Anna Costello, *Journal of Accounting Research*, 49, 2011.

Top 10 Most Cited Articles published between 2011–2015, Journal of Accounting Research.

Top 25 Most Cited Articles in 2015, Journal of Accounting Research.

Top 25 Most Cited Articles in 2014, Journal of Accounting Research.

Winner of Ernest R. Wish Accounting Research Award for the Best Paper by Junior Accounting Faculty at Chicago Booth.

“Price Discovery and Dissemination of Private Information by Loan Syndicate Participants.” With Robert Bushman and Abbie Smith, *Journal of Accounting Research*, 48, 2010.

Featured in Capital Ideas (“Privileged Lending”), March 2011.

“The Informational Role of Bond Analysts.” With Gus De Franco and Florin Vasvari, *Journal of Accounting Research*, 47, 2009.

“The Role of Information Asymmetry and Financial Reporting Quality in Debt Trading: Evidence from the Secondary Loan Market.” *Journal of Accounting and Economics*, 46, 2008.

Winner of the Best Paper Prize by the Journal of Accounting and Economics. Awarded for the most innovative paper published in the Journal of Accounting and Economics in 2008 that is likely to have the greatest impact on the profession.

“Assessing Credit Risk in Israel’s Banking System by Means of a Credit Scoring Model.” *The Economic Quarterly*, 48, 2001.

“Motor Car and Petrol Taxation Policy in Israel: Analysis and Proposal for a Tax Reform.” *The Israeli Tax Quarterly*, 95, 1997.

WORKING PAPERS

“Community Membership and Reciprocity in Lending: Evidence from Informal Markets.” With Rimmy Tomy, 2023.

Featured in Chicago Booth Review (“The Equitation: The Community Ties that Count”), January 2022.

Featured in Chicago Booth Review (“In Some Places, Community is Key to Who Gets Commercial Credit”), December 2021.

Featured in Becker Friedman Institute’s Research Brief (“Community Membership and Reciprocity in Lending: Evidence from Informal Markets”), October 2021.

“Digital Lending and Financial Well-Being: Through the Lens of Mobile Phone Data.” With AJ Chen, Omri Even-Tov, and Jung Koo Kang, 2023.

“Access to Credit in Informal Economies: Does Financial Information Matter?” With Rimmy Tomy, 2023.

Featured in Chicago Booth Review (“In Informal Markets, Trustworthy Data is Key”), August 2023.

Featured in Becker Friedman Institute’s Research Brief (“Access to Credit in Informal Economies: Does Financial Information Matter?”), March 2023.

“Exposure to Superstar Firms and Financial Distress.” With Stephanie Cheng, Dushyantkumar Vyas and Wuyang Zhao, 2023.

“Unexpected Defaults: The Role of Information Opacity.” With Aytekin Ertan and Yun Lee, 2023.

“Do Private Lenders Learn from Public Equity Markets?” With Emmanuel De George, John Donovan and Matthew Phillips, 2023.

“Do Institutional Lenders Demand a Premium for Borrower Transparency?” With Robert Bushman, 2014.

“The Impact of Information Asymmetry on Debt Pricing and Maturity.” 2010.

“Does Secondary Loan Market Trading Destroy Lenders’ Incentives?” With Robert Bushman, 2009.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Dean’s Award for Research Excellence, The Marshall School of Business, 2023.

Morgan Stanley Best Discussant Award at the *Review of Accounting Studies* Conference, 2022.

PhD Mentoring Award, The Marshall School of Business, 2021.

Dean’s Award for Research Excellence, The Marshall School of Business, 2019.

Arthur Andersen and Company Professorship, The Marshall School of Business, 2016–2018.

Fama-Miller Research Grant, The University of Chicago Booth School of Business, 2013–2014, 2014–2015.

FMC Faculty Research Fellow, The University of Chicago Booth School of Business, 2013–2014.

Ernest R. Wish Accounting Research Award, The University of Chicago Booth School of Business, 2011.

Initiative on Global Financial Markets Grant, The University of Chicago Booth School of Business, 2009–2011, 2012–2013.

The Best Paper Prize by the *Journal of Accounting and Economics*, 2009.

Neubauer Family Faculty Fellowship, The University of Chicago Booth School of Business, 2008–2012.

Award for Excellent Teaching Services, Executive MBA Program, The University of Chicago Graduate School of Business, 2005.

First Year Summer Research Award, The University of Chicago Graduate School of Business, 2003.

The Harry Simon Award, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 2002–2004.

Best Graduate Paper in Finance Award, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 2000.

The Israel Gafni Award for the Best Paper in Banking, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 2000.

Award for Outstanding Student Paper in Economics, Maurice Falk Institute for Economic Research, 1996.

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

- 2023: University of Hong Kong, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen, Northwestern University, City University of Hong Kong.
- 2022: University of California San Diego, Stanford University, Bocconi University, HEC Paris, Chinese University of Hong Kong, University of Washington, Cornell, University of California, Irvine.
- 2021: The University of Missouri, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Texas A&M University, Temple University, Claremont McKenna College, Baruch College, University of Pennsylvania, London School of Economics, University of Southern California, University of Indiana, University of California Fullerton.
- 2020: Georgia State University, University of Florida, University of Miami, University of Southern California.
- 2019: Columbia University, Duke University, University of California, Los Angeles, University of Utah, University of Calgary.
- 2018: Chicago Booth Banking Workshop, Virginia Tech.
- 2017: The University of California, Berkeley, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Emory University, Tel-Aviv University.
- 2016: University of Texas at Dallas, Ohio State University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
- 2015: Stanford University, Washington University in St. Louis, University of Chicago.
- 2014: Cornell University, London Business School, Boston College, University of Miami, University of Rochester, Rice University, Tel-Aviv University.
- 2013: Bocconi University, University of Chicago, University of Mannheim, Tel-Aviv University, Penn State, University of Southern California, Columbia University.
- 2012: Rice University, University of Chicago, University of Michigan.
- 2010: University of Chicago, University of Texas at Dallas, University of California, Los Angeles, Stanford University.
- 2009: Massachusetts Institute of Technology, McGill University, Northwestern University, Tel-Aviv University, University of Chicago.
- 2008: New York University, University of Chicago, University of Pennsylvania, University of Rochester, University of Toronto.
- 2007: Lehigh University, University of Pennsylvania.
- 2006: Columbia University, Rutgers University, the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, University of Michigan, Duke University, Emory University, Harvard University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Northwestern University, Ohio State University, Stanford University, University of California, Berkeley, University of California, Los Angeles, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, University of Minnesota, University of Pennsylvania.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2023: Hawaii Accounting Research Conference, Penn State Accounting Conference, Haskayne and Fox Accounting Conference (presenter, discussant, editor panel participant).
- 2022: Notre Dame Accounting Research Conference, Columbia Burton Accounting Conference (discussant), *Review of Accounting Studies* Conference (discussant), SMU SOAR Symposium (discussant).
- 2021: Journal of Law, Finance, and Accounting Conference (discussant), 18th Midwest International Economic Development Conference, Stanford Summer Camp.
- 2020: Tulane Accounting Conference.
- 2019: INSEAD Accounting Conference, UIC Accounting Conference, Miami "Winter Warm-Up" Accounting Conference.

- 2018: *Journal of Accounting and Economics* Conference, The University of Toronto Accounting Conference, FARS Midyear Meeting (presenter and discussant), Chicago Financial Institutions Conference, Asian Bureau of Finance and Economic Research (ABFER) Conference, Lisbon Accounting Conference.
- 2017: Chicago Financial Institutions Conference (discussant), Penn State Accounting Research Conference, Harvard IMO (discussant).
- 2016: FARS Midyear Meeting (discussant), Chicago Financial Institutions Conference (discussant), 10th Tel-Aviv University Conference in Accounting.
- 2015: 2015 *Journal of Accounting Research* Conference, FARS Midyear Meeting (Discussant), Euro FIT Conference on Syndicated Loans at the London Business School.
- 2014: George Washington University Cherry Blossom Accounting Conference.
- 2013: Yale Fall Accounting Conference, The Bank Structure Conference at Chicago Fed, Utah Winter Accounting Conference (discussant).
- 2012: Nick Dopuch Accounting Conference (discussant), Colorado Summer Accounting Research Conference (discussant), University of Minnesota Empirical Conference.
- 2011: The Bank Structure Conference at Chicago Fed, 21st Annual Conference on Financial Economics & Accounting (presenter and discussant).
- 2010: UNC/Duke Fall Camp, AAA Annual Meeting (presenter and discussant), Utah Winter Accounting Conference.
- 2009: AAA Annual Meeting (presenter and discussant), London Business School Accounting Symposium, The Bank Structure Conference, FARS Midyear Meeting.
- 2008: Nick Dopuch Accounting Conference, Journal of Accounting, Auditing, and Finance Conference (discussant), AAA Annual Meeting (presenter and discussant), Tel-Aviv University Conference in Accounting.
- 2007: FDIC/JFSR 7th Annual Bank Research Conference, AAA Annual Meeting, The Bank Structure Conference at Chicago Fed, The Center for Accounting Research and Education Conference.
- 2006: AAA Annual Meeting, The Bank Structure Conference at Chicago Fed.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Senior Editor, *Journal of Accounting Research*, 2019–present.

Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Accounting Research*, 2011–2018.

Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Accounting and Economics*, 2015–2018.

Ad hoc reviewer: *Contemporary Accounting Research*, *European Accounting Review*, *Journal of Accounting and Economics*, *Journal of Accounting Research*, *Journal of Banking and Finance*, *Journal of Business Finance & Accounting*, *Journal of Financial Economics*, *Journal of Finance*, *Journal of Financial Intermediation*, *Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis*, *Journal of Money, Credit and Banking*, *Journal of Political Economy*, *Management Science*, *Review of Accounting Studies*, *Review of Finance*, *Review of Financial Studies*, the *Accounting Review*, FARS meetings, Colorado Accounting Conference, the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Hong Kong Research Grants Council, Israel Science Foundation.

OTHER SERVICE and PhD ADVISING

The Marshall School of Business:

Leventhal Recruiting Committee, 2015–present.

Leventhal PhD Committee, 2016–2022.

Marshall Executive Education Committee, 2019–2020.

Marshall PhD Committee, 2017–2019.

Leventhal PhD Structure Committee, 2016–2018.

Marshall Institute for Outlier Research in Business (iORB) Proposal Committee, 2016–2017.
Leventhal PhD Program Coordinator, 1/2017–8/2017.

PhD Advising:

Dissertation Committee Chair: Jun Yoon. Placement—Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen (2023).

Dissertation Committee Chair: Jung Koo Kang. Placement—Harvard (2021).

Dissertation Committee Member: Vivek Pandey. Placement—Rochester (2022).

PhD Oral Exam Committee member/chair, Dissertation Proposal Committee member, Second Year Paper Committee member, and the First Year Summer Paper advisor:

Accounting: Satish Sahoo, Tina Lang, Jung Koo Kang, Vivek Pandey, AJ Chen, Jun Yoon, Fan Zhang, Fangfei Shu, Jonathan Craske, Jessie Cheong.

Finance: Sunny (Seung Yeon) Yoo, Vivian Wang, Augusto Orellana, Tiange Ye.

University of Chicago Booth School of Business:

PhD Advising:

Dissertation Committee member: Anna Costello. Placement—MIT (2012).

PhD Curriculum Paper Committee member: Ayelet Ben-David, Anna Costello, Catherine Farmer Lee, Joshua Medsen, Frank Zhou.

Other:

AAA 2020, 2021 Doctoral Consortium Faculty Advisor.

FARS 2016 Midyear Meeting Editor, Debt Contracting and Credit Ratings Session.

FARS 2017 Best Paper and Best Discussant Committee.

SHORT-TERM ACADEMIC VISITS AND TEACHING

Bocconi University, April–June 2022

Teaching: Debt Contracting, Banking, Disclosure, and Information Intermediaries

HEC Paris, June 2022

Teaching: Debt Contracting, Banking, Disclosure, and Information Intermediaries

Columbia University, March 2019

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Debt Contracting and Banking Research,

The Marshall School of Business, 2020–present.

Research on Disclosure and Information Intermediaries,

The Marshall School of Business, 2020–present.

Foundations of Accounting,

The Marshall School of Business, 2016–present.

Empirical Financial Accounting Research,

The Marshall School of Business, 2016–2018.

Selected Topics in Accounting Research,

The Marshall School of Business, 2017.

Financial Accounting,

University of Chicago Booth School of Business, 2009–2015.

Introduction to Financial Accounting,

The Wharton School, 2006–2008.

NONACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Bank of Israel, Banking Supervision Department, Research Unit, Jerusalem, Israel, 1998–2002.
Ministry of Finance, the Accountant General Department, Jerusalem, Israel, 1997–1998.