## XIN ZHENG

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#### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

## **University of British Columbia, Sauder School of Business**

Vancouver, BC

Assistant Professor, September 2017 – Present

Medical leaves from March 2019 to June 2019 and from November 2020 to March 2021

#### **EDUCATION**

## **Emory University, Goizueta Business School**

Atlanta, GA

Ph.D., Accounting

May 2017

**Cornell University** 

Ithaca, NY

Master in Statistics

## **The Ohio State University**

Columbus, OH

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (Honors)

Cum Laude

Bachelor of Science in Mathematical Science

Cum Laude

#### RESEARCH

**Research Keywords**: Regulation; Enforcement; Political Economy; Climate Finance; ESG; Financial Statement Analysis; Stock Volatility; Financial Reporting; Disclosure; Fraud; Auditing.

#### **Refereed Publications:**

- [1] Zheng, X. (2021). A Tale of Two Enforcement Venues: Determinants and Consequences of the SEC's Choice of Enforcement Venue After the Dodd-Frank Act. *The Accounting Review*, 96.6 (2021): 451-476.
- -- Winner of the 2021 AAA Competitive Manuscript Award (link here).
- -- Featured in Columbia Law School Blue Sky Blog (link here) and LexBlog (link here).
- [2] Rajgopal, S., S. Srinivasan and X. Zheng. 2021. Measuring Audit Quality. *Review of Accounting Studies*, 26(2), 559-619.
- [3] Hutton, A. P., Shu, S., & Zheng, X. (2022). Regulatory Transparency and the Alignment of Private and Public Enforcement: Evidence from the Public Disclosure of SEC Comment Letters. *Journal of Financial Economics*, *145*(1):297-321.
- [4] Millar, M., White, R.M. & Zheng, X. (2022). Substance Abuse and Workplace Fraud: Evidence from Physicians. *Journal of Business Ethics* (2022), 1-18.

- [5] Dichev, I. & Zheng, X. (2024). The Volatility of Investor Returns. *Journal of Financial Markets*, forthcoming.
- -- Featured in Wall Street Journal (link <u>here</u>), Fortune Magazine (link <u>here</u>), MarketWatch.com (link <u>here</u>), CTV News (link <u>here</u>), and MarketWatch (link <u>here</u>).
- [6] Lundholm, R., & Zheng, X. (2024). The Changing Nature of Financial Analysis in the Presence of ETFs. *Review of Accounting Studies*, forthcoming.

#### **Working Papers:**

"The Economic and Financial Impact of Negative Environmental and Social Practices: Evidence from Consumer Store Visits" with Zhanbing Xiao, and Yuxiang Zheng.

"Estimating the Private Value of Financial Statement Statistics" with Russell Lundholm.

"How does Political Activism Influence SEC enforcement: Evidence from Meetings with the SEC Chair" with Jim Naughton and Rafael Rogo.

"Number of Numbers: Does Quantitative Textual Disclosure Reduce Information Risk?" with John Campbell and Dexin Zhou.

"Adaptation to Climate-induced Regulatory Risk: A Labor Perspective" with Zhanbing Xiao.

"The Benefits and Costs of Transparent Supervision of Public Banks: Evidence from Disclosure of SEC Comment Letters" with Amy Hutton, Yupeng Lin, Susan Shu, and Ira Yeung.

"Predicting Litigation Risk via Machine Learning" with Gene Moo Lee, Jim Naughton, and Dexin Zhou.

-- Featured in Harvard Law School Forum on Corporate Governance (link here).

#### INVITED WORKSHOP AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2024: Tsinghua University, Hawaii Accounting Research Conference
- 2023: The Ohio State University, HEC Montreal, University of British Columbia (brownbag)
- 2022: Boston College, University of Toronto, Hawaii Accounting Research Conference, FARS, Federal Reserve Community Banking Research Conference, University of British Columbia (brownbag)
- 2021: FARS, University of British Columbia (brownbag x2), Asian Bureau of Finance and Economic Research, Western Finance Association Conference
- 2020: FARS (Discussant), University of British Columbia (brownbag), AAA Annual Meeting
- 2019: University of Utah, National University of Singapore, UBCOW, Hawaii Accounting Research Conference (Presenter and Discussant), Conference on the Convergence of Financial and Managerial Accounting Research, MIT Asia (Discussant)

- 2018: University of Rochester, Hawaii Accounting Research Conference, MIT Asia Conference, UBCOW
- 2017: University of British Columbia, Boston College, McGill University, AAA Annual Meeting (Presenter and Discussant), Southeast Regional Meeting,
- 2016: AAA Auditing Section Midyear Meeting, AAA Annual Meeting (Discussant)
- 2015: Southeast Summer Accounting Research Conference, Graduate Research in Accounting Conference

#### **COMPETITIVE RESEARCH GRANTS**

• SSHRC Insight Grant (co-applicant)	2024 - 2029
<ul> <li>SSHRC Insight Grant (sole applicant)</li> </ul>	2022 - 2026
• SSHRC Insight Grant (co-applicant)	2021 - 2025
<ul> <li>SSHRC Insight Development Grant (co-applicant)</li> </ul>	2019 - 2021
<ul> <li>SSHRC Insight Development Grant (sole applicant)</li> </ul>	2018 - 2020
<ul> <li>Sauder Exploratory Grant (sole applicant)</li> </ul>	2019 - 2020
<ul> <li>UBC Hampton Fund Research Grant (sole applicant)</li> </ul>	2017 - 2019

#### **ACADEMIC SERVICE**

- Ad Hoc Journal Reviewer: The Accounting Review, Journal of Accounting and Economics, Review of Accounting Studies, Management Science, Contemporary Accounting Research, Journal of Management Accounting Research, Accounting Horizon, European Accounting Review, Journal of Business Ethics.
- American Accounting Association Competitive Manuscript Award Committee (2022 2023)
- SSHRC Insight Grant Review (2019)
- Conference Reviewer: AAA Annual Meeting (2014-2021), FARS Midyear Meeting (2016-2020, 2022-2023), Management Midyear Meeting (2018), CAPANA (2018), Hawaii Accounting Research Conference (2018-2023), CAAA (2019, 2022)

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

## **Teaching Interests:** Financial Accounting; Valuation

- UBC Sauder School of Business (COMM 293 Undergraduate Level) 2017 Present
- UBC Vancouver School of Economics (COEC 293 Undergraduate Level) 2022
  - Selected teaching evaluations, all sections together (Sauder average is about 4.1):
  - COMM293 2023S: 5.0 (class size: 152)
  - COMM293 2022S: 5.0 (class size: 116)
  - COEC293 2022W: 4.9/5 (class size: 120)
  - COMM293 2021S: 4.96/5 (class size: 118)
- UBC Ph.D. Seminar Research Methods (invited lecture) 2023
- UBC Ph.D. Seminar Capital Markets (invited lecture) 2017
- MBA Financial Statement Analysis Fall 2015
- MBA Introduction to Financial Reporting Summer 2014
- PhD Seminar: Introduction to SAS and Simulation Winter 2013

## **CONFERENCES ATTENDED (by invitation)**

• Review of Accounting Studies Conference	2017, 2020 - 2023
• Review of Financial Studies Conference	2022
Toronto Accounting Research Conference	2023
Notre Dame Emerging Scholars Research Conference	2023
Texas A&M Accounting Research Conference	2023
Cambridge Accounting Research Camp	2022
Federal Reserve Community Banking Research Conference	2022
Music City Accounting Research Conference	2022
Haskayne Accounting Conference	2022
Tulane Accounting Research Conference	2020
• UBC Winter Finance Conference in Whistler	2018
• WFA	2021 - 2022, 2024
MIT Asia Conference	2018, 2019
Hawaii Accounting Research Conference	2018, 2019, 2022
UBCOW Conference	2017 – 2019, 2021, 2022
Financial Accounting and Reporting Section	2015, 2019 - 2022
• Financial Accounting and Reporting Section Doctoral Consortium	2015
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mEmory Conference	2019
• Conference on the Convergence of Financial and Managerial Acco	
Brazilian Accounting Research Conference	2018, 2022
• EAA Annual Congress	2018
• CAPANA	2018
Auditing Section Midyear Meeting	2016
• Audit Doctoral Consortium, University of Illinois at Urbana-Cham	
• Symposium on Auditing Research, University of Illinois at Urbana	
• Southeast Summer Accounting Research Conference (SESARC)	2013 – 2016
• Southeast Regional Meeting	2017
Graduate Research in Accounting Conference	2015, 2016
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PUBLIC SPEECHES, LECTURES AND SEMINARS	
• "Last Lecture" Presenter (voted by graduating fourth-year students	, · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Sauder School of Business	2022
Cryptonomics, Panelist, hosted by Vancouver School of Economics	
Shad Canada, Guest Lecturer, hosted by Shad Canada	2022
• International Market Insider, Host, hosted by UBC BizChina	2021
• Fundamentals-Based Investing, Interviewee, hosted by MakingCen	nts 2021

## **DOCTORAL STUDENT THESIS COMMITTEE (UBC)**

- Zhanbing Xiao, committee member, finance division, graduated in 2023
  - -- Thesis titled "Labor Exposure to Climate Change and Capital Deepening"
- -- First placement: Postdoctoral Fellow, Harvard University Center for the Environment (HUCE), Harvard University
  - Minjia (Minka) Li, committee member, accounting division, expected to graduate in 2024
    - -- First placement: University of Alberta, Assistant Professor of Accounting

## STUDENT SUPERVISION (UBC) – Undergraduate and Master Students

- Jinha Hwang, 1+1 Matching Program, sponsored by Korean government 2022 2023
- Nathan Yip, Commerce Scholars Program (undergraduate)

2018 - 2021

- -- Undergraduate thesis titled "The Moderating Effect of Litigation Risk and Time Budget Pressure on Audit Quality"
- Alexander Kinnaird, Commerce Scholars Program (undergraduate)

2019 - 2021

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Goldman Sachs
- Key Bank
- Progressive Insurance
- Office of Legal Affairs, Ohio State University

#### HONORS AND AWARDS

AAA Competitive Manuscript Award	2021
<ul> <li>Financial Accounting Reporting Section Outstanding Discussant Award</li> </ul>	2020
<ul> <li>MIT Asia Accounting Conference Best Discussant Award</li> </ul>	2019
<ul> <li>Financial Accounting Reporting Section Excellence in Reviewing Award</li> </ul>	2018
• "Last Lecture" Presenter (voted by graduating fourth-year students at UBC)	2022
Sheth Foundation Fellow, Emory University	2015
<ul> <li>Doctoral Fellowship, Goizueta Business School, Emory University</li> </ul>	2012 - 2017
<ul> <li>Dean's list at The Ohio State University</li> </ul>	2009 - 2011
• Best Performing Student Award by U.S. Congressional District (3 <sup>rd</sup> Ohio)	2009 - 2011
Math SHARP Scholarship	2010 - 2011
William B. Jencks Scholarship	2010 - 2011
Fisher College of Business Scholarship	2009 - 2011
Master's Thesis Award - First Runner-up	2012

## **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

Sauder Research Advisory Committee	2018 - 2021
UBC Accounting Rookie Hiring Committee	2017 – Present
<ul> <li>Prospective PhD Student Coordinator, Emory University</li> </ul>	2013 - 2016
PhD Student Mentor, Emory University	2014 - 2016
Beta Alpha Psi, Board Member	2009 - 2011

### **CERTIFICATION**

• SAS Base Programming Certification (99<sup>th</sup> percentile)

November 2011

# CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE

• Brazilian Accounting Research Conference

2018, 2022, 2024

# **REFERENCES**

• Available upon request