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Employment

2024– Assistant Professor of Economics, Bendheim Center for Finance, Princeton
2026–2027 Wesley Clair Mitchell Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, Columbia
2023–2024 Pyewacket Fellow, Bendheim Center for Finance, Princeton

Education

2023 PhD in Economics, Graduate School of Business, Stanford
Committee: Yuliy Sannikov, Andrzej Skrzypacz, Darrell Duffie, Robert Wilson
2017 AB in Economics, *Summa Cum Laude*, Princeton

Research Papers

5. The Volatility of Marginal Information Rents in Dynamic Mechanism Design
4. A Model of the Attention Economy: Data, Platforms, and Discovery
Forthcoming at American Economic Review
3. Optimal Exchange Design
2. Information Acquisition and Time-Risk Preference (with Weijie Zhong).
American Economic Review: Insights. 2025. 7(2): 213–30.
1. Market Fragmentation (with Darrell Duffie).
American Economic Review. 2021. 111(7): 2247–74.

Honors and Awards

2025 WRDS–TME Best Paper Award for “Optimal Exchange Design”
2023 Best Job Market Paper Prize, Finance Theory Group
2022 Bradley Research Fellow, SIEPR
2020 7th Lindau Meeting for the Economic Sciences
2017 Halbert White ’72 Prize in Economics, Princeton
2017 Burton G. Malkiel *64 Senior Thesis Prize in Finance, Princeton
2017 Economics Junior Prize: First Prize, Princeton
2016 Early Induction into Phi Beta Kappa, Princeton
2016 Princeton Initiative: Money, Macro, and Finance
2013 Valedictorian, Aurora High School

Presentations

2026–27	UT Dallas (Finance), Columbia (Theory), Cornell (Theory)
2025–26	CUNY (Applied Economics), Penn State (Theory), INSEAD (Finance), Baruch (Finance), SFS Cavalcade (discussant), TSE Economics of Platforms (discussant)
2024–25	Northwestern (Theory), VSET (panelist), Minnesota Carlson (Finance), TME, Georgetown (Theory), IIOC (invited session), Maryland Juniors Finance Conference, FIRS (discussant)
2023–24	Princeton Initiative, Yale (Theory), ASSA Meeting (discussant), Duke–UNC Triangle Microeconomics Conference, Google Research, Essex–UCL Workshop on Decentralized Financial Markets
2022–23	UCLA, Princeton, University of Chicago, Columbia Business School (Finance), Wisconsin–Madison, UPenn–Wharton Mini-Conference on Economic Theory, FTWebinar, Compass Lexecon
2021–22	IIOC, Stanford SITE: Dynamic Games, Contracts, and Markets

Teaching

Instructor	Princeton: ECO 506, PhD Directed Research (2025); ECO 363, Undergraduate Corporate Finance (2025, 2026); ECO 527, PhD Financial Modeling (2026); ECO 525, PhD Asset Pricing (2023, 2024)
TA	Stanford GSB: MGTECON 203, MBA Accelerated Managerial Economics (2022); MGTECON 200, MBA Managerial Economics (2020, 2021)
Guest Lectures	Stanford GSB: MGTECON 601, PhD Game Theory (2017–2022); MGTECON 608, PhD Multi-Person Decision Theory (2020–2022)

Professional Service

Organizing	Princeton Civitas Finance Seminar co-organizer (2024, 2026)
Committees	Program Committee Member: SFS Cavalcade (2024–2026), EC (2026)
Reviewing	NSF Proposal Reviewer (2025); AFA Poster Session Reviewer (2026–2027); TME Reviewer (2027)

Referee: *American Economic Review*, *American Economic Review: Insights*, *Econometrica*, *Journal of Political Economy*, *Journal of Finance*, *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics*, *Theoretical Economics*, *Journal of Economic Theory*, *International Journal of Industrial Organization*, *Management Science*, *INFORMS Journal on Computing*.