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Quantitative Supervision and Research  
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## AREAS OF INTEREST

Empirical Corporate Finance, Banking, Risk Management, Stress Testing and Systemic Risk

## EDUCATION

**Ph.D. in Finance**, Zicklin School of Business, CUNY (Baruch College) 2019  
Thesis: Essays on Bank Acquisitions and Systemic Risk  
Advisor: Gayle DeLong

**M.S. in Finance**, SUNY at Buffalo 2009  
**MBA**, Sharif Univeristy of Technology 2008  
**B.S. in Applied Physics**, University of Tehran 2003

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Senior Quantitative Research Analyst** Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond 2017-Present  
**Associate Quantitative Research Analyst** Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond 2015-2017

- Lead Developer, Benchmark Model for Supervisory Stress Testing of Wholesale Credit Risk
- Quant Analyst, CCAR Wholesale Risk Evaluation Team
- Quant Analyst, Basel Advanced Approaches (Wholesale Credit and Operational Risk)
- Quant Analyst, Model Risk Management Horizontal
- Model Reviewer, Model Validation Unit

**Management Consulting Projects** 2006-2007

- Strategy Implementation, Rahbaran Petrochemical Co., Tehran, Iran 2007  
Specified and analyzed strategic themes of the firm; Developed strategy map and Balanced Score Card; Implemented some of the strategic themes through defining operational goals, responsibilities and required budget.
- Designing Organization Structure, KMT (Khosro Medisa Teb), Tehran, Iran 2006
- Designing Management Control System, KMT (Khosro Medisa Teb), Tehran, Iran 2006

**International Commercial Manager** KMT (Khosro Medisa Teb) 2004-2007  
Tehran, Iran

Identified, evaluated and initiated business collaboration with about 30 top manufacturers of medical equipments; Negotiated distribution and purchase contracts with more than 50 potential manufacturers; Planned and organized purchasing activities; Evaluated business partners performance and provided feedback; Interviewed, hired and trained new personnel.

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## WORKING PAPERS

“Industry Opacity and Intra-industry Contagion Effects of Corporate Defaults”

“The Effects of Firm-initiated Clawback Provisions on Executives Wealth Allocation Decision”  
(with Sonali Hazarika and Yao Shen)

“Bank Acquisitions: Do Acquirers Gain Private Benefit at Public Cost?”  
(with Daniela Scida)

“The Source of Systemic Risk: Operations”

“The Pricing and Performance of New Corporate Bonds: TRACE-Era Evidence”  
(with Igor Kozhanov and Joseph Ogden)  
The First International Conference on Credit Analysis and Risk Management

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Adjunct Lecturer, Baruch College**  
Principles of Finance, Undergraduate

2012-2014

**Recitation Instructor, Baruch College**  
Microeconomics, Undergraduate  
Investments, Executive Program (M.S. in Finance)

2011-2012  
2012

**Teaching Assistant**  
Global Economy & Business Firm, SUNY at Buffalo  
Strategic Management, Sharif University of Technology

2009  
2008

## SKILLS

Programming: Stata, LATEX, Excel/VBA and familiar with Matlab and SAS  
Languages: Farsi (native), English (fluent)

## CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

International Banking, Economics and Finance Association, San Diego, CA  
Financial Management Association Annual Meeting Nashville, TN  
CUNY, Baruch College Brownbag Seminars  
Financial Management Association Annual Meeting Chicago, IL  
CUNY, Baruch College Ph.D. Seminars

2017  
2014  
2013 and 2018  
2013  
2012 and 2013

## HONORS AND AWARDS

Conference Presentation Grant for PhD Students CUNY, Nov 2013  
Research Assistantship Baruch College, 2010-2015