# JILLIAN GRENNAN

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#### **Academic Positions:**

Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia

Assistant Professor of Economics, 2024 – present

Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Atlanta, Georgia *Visiting Scholar*, 2025 – present

# University of California, Berkeley, California

Associate Professor of Finance and Sustainability (Adjunct), Haas School of Business, 2023 – 2024 Visiting Assistant Professor of Business and Public Policy, Haas School of Business, 2022 – 2023 Visiting Assistant Professor of Law, Berkeley School of Law 2021 – 2022

## Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, California

Associate Professor of Finance, Leavey School of Business, 2022 – 2023
Associate Professor of Law (secondary appointment), Santa Clara Law, 2022 – 2023
Faculty Scholar, Markkula Center for Applied Ethics, 2022 – 2023

## Duke University, Durham, North Carolina

Assistant Professor of Finance, Fuqua School of Business, 2014 – 2022 Maternal leave for three children (born 2015, 2017, 2019), on leave (2021 – 2022)

#### Education

Ph.D., Wharton School, Applied Economics, University of Pennsylvania, 2009 – 2014
Dissertation Title: Social Forces in Corporate Finance
Committee: David Musto (co-chair), Mark Duggan (co-chair), Michael Roberts, Todd Sinai M.S., Georgetown University, Mathematics and Statistics, 2006 – 2008
B.A., Wellesley College, Classical Civilizations and Economics, 2000 – 2004

### **Teaching and Research Fields**

Corporate Culture, Law & Economics, Financial Economics, Corporate Finance, Organizational Economics, Corporate Governance, Sustainability, Innovation, Intellectual Property, Financial Technology, Artificial Intelligence, Blockchain, Digital Assets, Natural Language Processing

#### **Monographs**

• Grennan, J., 2025. "FinTech Regulation in the United States: Past, Present, and Future" (resubmitted to Cambridge University Press) [SSRN]

## **Journal Publications**

- Grennan, J., 2016, "Balancing Governance and Culture to Create Sustainable Firm Value" *Brookings Institution Governance Studies*, No. 27, 1 13. [Brookings]
- Grennan, J. 2019. "Dividend Payments as a Response to Peer Influence." *Journal of Financial Economics* 131, 549 570. [JFE], [SSRN]
- Grennan, J. and R. Michaely. 2021. "FinTechs and the Market for Financial Analysis." *Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis* 56, 1877 1907. (Lead Article) [JFQA], [SSRN]
- Elder, O. and J. Grennan, 2021. "Common Ownership and Entrepreneurship" American Economic

- Association Papers & Proceedings 111, 582 586. [AEA P&P], [SSRN]
- Graham, J., J. Grennan, C. Harvey, and S. Rajgopal, 2022. "Corporate Culture: Evidence from the Field" *Journal of Financial Economics* 146, 552 593. [JFE], [SSRN]
  - o Winner of the Best Paper Award, Investor Responsibility Research Center Institute
- Graham, J., J. Grennan, C. Harvey, and S. Rajgopal, 2022. "Corporate Culture: The Interview Evidence" *Journal of Applied Corporate Finance* 34, 22 41. [JACF], [SSRN]
- Grennan, J., 2022. "Social Change through Financial Innovation: Evidence from Donor-advised Funds" *Review of Corporate Finance Studies* 11, 694 735. [RCFS], [SSRN]
  - Selected as a registered report for a special issue on "Discrimination, Disparities, and Diversity in Finance"
- Appel, I., and J. Grennan, 2023. "Control of Decentralized Autonomous Organizations" *American Economic Association Papers & Proceedings* 113, 182 185. [AEA P&P], [SSRN]
- Graham, J., J. Grennan, C. Harvey, and S. Rajgopal, 2023. "Corporate Culture in a New Era: Views From the C-suite" *Journal of Applied Corporate Finance* 37, 1 15. (Lead Article) [JACF], [SSRN]
- Eldar, O., and J. Grennan, 2024. "Common Venture Capital Investors and Startup Growth," *Review of Financial Studies* 37, 549 590. [RFS], [SSRN]
- Graham, J., J. Grennan, C. Harvey, and S. Rajgopal, 2024. "What Do Financial Executives Say About Corporate Culture and Strategy" *Management and Business Review*, Winter. [MBR], [SSRN]

### **Book Chapters**

- Gorton, G., J. Grennan, and A. Zentefis, 2022. "Corporate Culture" *Annual Review of Financial Economics* 14, 535 561. [ARFE], [SSRN]
- Grennan, J. and K. Li, 2023. "Corporate Culture: A Survey and Directions for Future Research" In G. Hilary and D. McLean (Eds.), *Handbook of Financial Decision Making*. United Kingdom: Edward Elgar Publishing. [Handbook], [SSRN]
- Grennan, J. and M. Lowry, 2024. "Common Venture Capital Investors" In: Cumming, D., Hammer, B. (Eds.), *The Palgrave Encyclopedia of Private Equity*. New York, NY: Palgrave Macmillan. [Encyclopedia], [SSRN].
- Appel, I. and J. Grennan, 2025. "DAO Governance: Decentralized but not Disorganized" *Blockchain Scholars Book*. New York, NY: Palgrave Macmillan. [Book], [SSRN]

## **Other Public Scholarship**

- Grennan, J. and J. Pacelli, 2023. "Click-by-click: Using Alternative Data to Make a Business Case for Culture" *California Management Review Insights*. [CMR Insights]
- Forman, M., Grennan, J., Marian, O., and Menzer, T., 2023. "Common Sense Recommendations for the Application of Tax Law to Digital Assets" *Joint Committee on Taxation Comment Letter*. [SSRN]
- Grennan, J. 2023. "Review of *Driverless Finance: Fintech's Impact on Financial Stability* by Hilary J. Allen" *Banking and Finance Law Review 40.1, 161-167.* [BLFR], [SSRN]

#### **Published Business School Cases**

- Musto, D. and J. Popadak, "The Relationship between the Board and Stockholders: Air Products Takeover Bid for Airgas," *The Wharton School Case* 76, 2014.
- Grennan, J., A. Lefort, and J. Pacelli, "Social Media Background Screening at Fama Technologies" *Harvard Business School Case*, 2023. [HBSP]
- Grennan, J., A. Lefort, and J. Pacelli, "Social Media Background Screening at Fama Technologies (B)" *Harvard Business School Case*, 2023. [HBSP]
- Grennan, J. and L. Tyson, "Just Climate: A New Investment Model", *University of California Berkeley Case*, 2024. [HBSP]

#### **Working Papers**

• Abrams, D., U. Akcigit, and J. Grennan, 2024. "Patent Value and Citations: Creative Destruction or

- Strategic Disruption?" (R&R, RAND Journal of Economics) [SSRN]
- Grennan, J., and R. Michaely, 2024. "The Deleveraging of U.S. Firms and the Role of Institutional Investors" (*R&R*, *Review of Finance*) [SSRN]
- Grennan, J. 2024. "A Corporate Culture Channel: How Increased Shareholder Governance Reduces Firm Value" [SSRN]
  - Winner of the Best Paper Award, Investor Responsibility Research Center Institute
  - Winner of WFA's Cubist Systematic Strategies Award for Outstanding Research
  - Winner of the Best Finance Ph.D. Dissertation Award, Olin Business School
- Grennan, J., and R. Michaely, 2024. "Artificial Intelligence and High-Skilled Work: Evidence from Analysts" [SSRN]
- Chien, C., J. Grennan, 2024. "Unpacking the Innovator-Inventor Gap: Evidence from Engineers" [SSRN]
- Appel, I., and J. Grennan, 2024. "Decentralized Governance and Digital Asset Prices" [SSRN]
  - Winner Ripple's University Blockchain Research Initiative Grant
- Chien, C., Grennan, J., Sandvik, J., 2025. "Small-Scale Mentoring, Large-Scale Impact: Evidence from a Superstar Firm" [SSRN]
- Chien, C., J. Grennan, 2024. "Closing the Innovator-Inventor Gap: Evidence from Proactive (Opt-out) Outreach" [AEA Registered Report]
- Cai, W., J. Grennan, and L. Qui, 2023. "Do Diverse Directors Influence DEI Outcomes?" [SSRN]
- Grennan, J., 2021. "Communicating Culture Consistently: Evidence from Banks" [SSRN]
- Grennan, J., and D. Musto, 2018. "Who Benefits from Bond Market Modernization?" [SSRN]
- Appel, I., J. Grennan, J. White, and S. Wilkoff, 2025. "Holding the Bag: Depositor Reactions to a Crypto 'Bank' Collapse" [SSRN]
  - Winner Lab for Inclusive FinTech (LIFT) Grant
- Grennan, J., 2025. "Cryptocurrency Regulation: Protective vs. Enabling Approaches" [SSRN]
  - Winner IE Virtual Asset Regulation Lab Grant

## Work-in-Progress

- Grennan, J., R. Michaely, 2024. "Values-Based Investing: Evidence from Debiased Data"
  - Winner of the INQUIRE Europe Research Grant
  - Winner Paris-Dauphine FinTech Award
- Grennan, J., 2024. "Decomposing the Value of an Effective Corporate Culture"
- Grennan, J., 2024. "The Value of Values: Growth Mindset's Role in Firm Performance"
- Grennan, J., and D. Rock, 2024. "How Regulatory Uncertainty Shapes Entrepreneurial Dynamics: Evidence from Blockchain and Digital Assets"
  - Winner Lab for Inclusive FinTech (LIFT) Grant
- Chien, C., J. Grennan, 2024. "Does Management and Culture Increase the Gender Gap in Patent Applications?"
- Grennan, J. and J. White, 2025. "Code is Law, But Who Writes the Code? The Political Economy of Automated Compliance"
  - Winner Lab for Inclusive FinTech (LIFT) Grant

#### **Invited Seminars** (71 total)

Aalto University, Baruch University (Zicklin), Boston College (Carroll), Brookings Institute, Columbia GSB, Cornell (Johnson), Department of the Treasury (OFR), Drexel University (Gupta Governance Institute), Duke University (Fuqua x4), Duke University (Law x2), Emory University (x2), Federal Reserve Board of Governors (x2), Georgia State University (Robinson), Georgia Tech (Scheller College of Business), Hanken School of Economics, Harvard Business School (Entrepreneurial Management x2), Harvard Business School (Technology and Operations Management), HEC Paris, Imperial College London, NHH School of Economics, North Carolina State (Poole), Northwestern (Kellogg), Notre Dame (Mendoza), NYU (Law), NYU (Stern), Oxford (Said

x2), Rice University (Jones), RnDAO, Sabanaci University, Santa Clara University (Leavey), Stockholm School of Business, TCU (Neeley), Temple University (Fox), Toulouse School of Economics, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, UC-Berkeley (Haas x2), UC-Berkeley (Law x2), UCLA (Anderson x2), UC-Santa Barbara, UCSD (IRPS), UNC (Kenan-Flagler), University of Chicago (Law), University of Lancaster, University of Laval, University of Manchester, University of Maryland (Smith), University of Maryland (UBS Quant Insight Series), University of Michigan (Ross), University of Oklahoma (Price), University of Pennsylvania (Wharton x2), University of St. Andrews Business School, University of Texas – San Antonio, University of Toronto (Rotman x2), University of Utah (David Eccles), University of Virginia (Darden), Virginia Tech (Pamplin), Washington University in St. Louis (Olin), Yale (SOM)

## **Invited Paper Presentations at Conferences** (132 total) \* = co-author presentation

Academy of Management Meetings (x2), Accounting Conference at Temple (Fox)\*, Ackerman Corporate Governance Conference, Adam Smith Workshop, American Accounting Association Meetings\* (x2), ASSA Annual Meetings (8x), American Law and Economics Association\* (x3), Association for Research on Nonprofit Organization and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA) 50th Annual Conference, Austrailasian Finance and Banking Conference, Bank of America's Global Quant Conference, Berkeley Culture Conference (x3), BlackRock Pre-WFA Conference, Cambridge Alternative Finance Conference, Canadian Sustainable Finance Network Conference on Governance and Sustainability, Chicago Financial Institutions Conference, Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (x7), Conference on Financial Economics and Accounting (x2), Conference on Fintech: Innovation, Inclusion, and Risks at San Francisco Federal Reserve, Conference on The Future of Large Financial Institutions, Cornell Tech-RFS FinTech Conference, Corporate and Securities Litigation Workshop at Boston University\*, Corporate Finance Conference at Ohio State (Fisher), Corporate Law Roundtable at University of Pennsylvania (Law)\*, Crypto Conference at Santa Clara University\*, Drexel Corporate Governance Conference\*, ECGI Corporate Governance Conference, EthDenver, European Finance Association, Federal Reserve Bank of New York/Journal of Accounting and Economics Conference\*, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia FinTech Conference, Finance in the Cloud II --Innovation and Entrepreneurship, Financial Intermediation Research Society (x3), FinTech and Financial Risk Management Conference at Bank of Ireland, Fixed Income and Financial Institutions Conferences, Future of Financial Information Webinar, GSU-RFS Fintech Conference\*, Harvard Business School Junior Innovation Economics Conference, HEC Paris Entrepreneurship Workshop\*, Innovation Law and Policy Colloquium at NYU (Law)\*, Innovator Diversity Pilots Conference (x2), INQUIRE Conference, International Corporate Governance Forum, IP Scholars Conference\*, Junior Finance Conference at Yale SOM, Junior Finance Conference at MIT, Law & Macroeconomics Conference (Yale Law), Law, Finance, and Accounting Conference at NYU (Stern), Machine Learning and Business Conference, Midwest Finance Association Meetings (x2), Mountain Finance Conference\*, Napa Conference, National Business Law Scholars Conference (Berkeley Law)\*, NBER (Corporate Finance), NBER (Economics of AI), NBER (Entrepreneurship)\*, NBER (Industrial Organization)\*, NBER (Innovation)\*, NBER (Law and Economics x2), NBER (Organizational Economics), NBER (Personnel Economics), NBER (Risks of Financial Institutions), Northeastern Finance Conference (x2), OECD Patent Statistics Conference\*, Olin Corporate Finance Conference (x2), Organization Science Winter Conference, Organizations and Social Impact Conference (UC-Berkeley Law), Owners as Strategist Conference (University of Bocconi), PatCon Law Conference\* (x2), Pre-WFA Women in Finance Conference, Q Group Conference, Review of Corporate Finance Studies Winter Conference, Roundtable on Empirical Methods in Intellectual Property\*, Science of Blockchain Conference (Cornell Tech), SFS Cavalcade (x3), Showcasing Women in Finance Conference, Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics (x3), Society of Labor Economist Meetings (x2), SunTrust Finance Conference at FSU (x2), SUNY FinTech Symposium, Swiss Conference on FinTechs, Credit, and the Future of Banking, Swiss National Bank Conference on Cryptoassets and Financial Innovation\*, Tel Aviv Finance Conference (x2), Toronto FinTech Conference, University Blockchain Research Initiative Conference (x2), University of Minnesota

Junior Finance Conference, University of Washington Summer Conference, Utah Winter Finance Conference, Utah Winter Strategy Conference, Virtual Asset Regulatory Authority (VARA) Workshop Dubai, Weinberg Corporate Governance Symposium (x2), Western Finance Association (x3), Works In Progress for Intellectual Property Scholars Colloquium\*, Workshop on Entrepreneurial Finance and Innovation (x2)

Research	Grants	and	<b>Fellowships</b>
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2025	Pagarah Crant I ah far Inghaiya EinTagh (LIET) (\$07,000)
2025	Research Grant, Lab for Inclusive FinTech (LIFT) (\$97,000)
2024	Research Grant, IE Virtual Asset Regulation Lab (€25,000)
2023-2024	Research Grant, Berkeley Center for Responsible Decentralized Intelligence (\$40,000)
2023	Research Affiliate, UCSC Center for Analytical Finance
2023	NSF CORE Institute Fellow at UCSD for "Tackling Climate-Induced Challenges with AI"
2022-2023	Research Grant, Leavey Grant (\$5,000)
2022-2024	Lab for Inclusive FinTech (LIFT) (\$30,000)
2022-2024	Research Grant, IBSI-Haas Lab for Sustainable Financial Services & Innovation (\$30,000)
2022	Research Grant, Institute for Humane Studies (\$5,000)
2022-2024	Research Grant, HKU-SCF FinTech Academy (HK\$150,000)
2022	Research Grant, Center for Growth Markets (\$5,000)
2021-2023	Research Grant, Ripple University Blockchain Research Initiative (\$50,000)
2021	Research Grant, INQUIRE Europe (€10,000)
2021	Research Grant, Chaire FinTech Paris Dauphine (€10,000)
2021	Research Grant, Wells Fargo (\$10,000)
2019-2020	Duke Intellectual Community Planning Grant, "Big Data and Social Interactions"
2017-2019	Thomas Edison Innovation Fellowship, George Mason University
2016-2019	Research Grant, Junior Faculty Recognition, Fuqua School of Business
2015	American Economic Association's CSWEP CeMENT Fellow
2014-2015	Research Grant, KPMG's Global Valuation Institute
2014-2015	Research Grant, Center for Financial Excellence
2012-2014	Research Grant, Mack Institute for Innovation Management
2012	NBER Entrepreneurship Research Boot Camp
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## Teaching

Awards: Duke Excellence in Teaching Award 2017, Berkeley Haas "Club 6" Teaching Award 2023

Emory: Economics of Blockchain and Digital Assets (BA) (mean rating = 8.6/9), Financial

Economics of Sustainability (BA) (mean rating = 8.7/9), Economics of Artificial

Intelligence (BA)

Berkeley: Sustainable Investment Fund (MBA) (mean rating = 6.4/7), Corporate Culture (JD) (mean

rating = 6.3/7), Corporations (JD) (mean rating = 5.9/7), Advanced Corporate Finance

(EWMBA) (mean rating = 5.8/7)

Santa Clara: Business Law (BA) (mean rating = 4.7/5)

Duke: Corporate Finance (EMBA and MBA) (mean rating = 6.3/7), Foundations of Corporate

Finance (Masters in Management = 6.1/7), Empirical Methods in Corporate Finance (PhD),

Environmental, Social, Governance (PhD)

Wharton: Business in the Global Political Environment (BA); Capital Markets (MBA); Corporate

Taxation (MBA); Corporate Valuation (MBA); Financial Derivatives (MBA); Global Strategy (MBA); Quantitative Methods for Lawyers (JD); Risk Management (MBA/JD)

Georgetown: Introductory Statistics (BA); Probability Theory (Masters)

#### **Service to the University**

Emory: Faculty Advisor for Emory Economics Investment Forum (EEIF), Alumni Relations &

Fundraising Committee, judge for Plastic Free Emory's plastic-free Hack-a-thon (i.e., the "Plastathon"), guest lectures for student clubs, including the Emory Economics

Student Society and the Emory Economics Investment Forum

Berkeley: Berkeley Blockchain Xcelerator application reviewer, Berkeley Business Journalism

Certificate planning committee, Berkeley Law Boosts webinar on the Fundamentals of Blockchain, and various guest lectures for student clubs, including Haas Investment

Club and the Berkeley FinTech Club.

Santa Clara: Finance seminar coordinator, Sustainable SCU Laudato Si' community working group

member, Faculty mentor for Hackworth Fellows in Business Ethics

Duke: Finance seminar coordinator (x2), UNC/Duke conference organizer (x2), Co-chair for

faculty recruiting, Department liaison for teaching innovations, undergraduate

independent study advisor (x2), Fuqua Faculty Live on LinkedIn (x2), and various guest

lectures for student clubs, including the Association of Women in Business, the

Investment Club, the Artificial Intelligence Club, and the FinTech Club.

## **Service to the Profession**

Editorial: Cambridge Elements in Law, Economics and Politics (2021-), Co-editor

Referee for: Journal of Finance, Journal of Financial Economics, Review of Financial Studies,

Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Law and Economics, American Law and Economics Review, Journal of Industrial Economics, Journal of Public Economics,

AEJ: Applied Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization,

Economica, Economy Policy, Economic Journal, Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, Management Science, Strategy Science, Strategic Management Journal, Review of Finance, Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis, Journal of

Corporate Finance, Review of Corporate Finance Studies, Journal of Banking & Finance, Journal of Financial Intermediation, Journal of Financial Services Research, Journal of Empirical Finance, Financial Review, Financial Analysts Journal, Review of Accounting Studies, Journal of Accounting and Public Policy, Journal of the Economic Science Association, Cambridge Elements, Frontiers in

Artificial Intelligence, Financial Innovation, PLOS ONE, National Science Foundation, Hi!Paris (AI and Data Analytics Fellows), MIT Press Books, Routledge

Books

Conf. 1. 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Early Career Women in Finance Conference

Organizer: 2. UNC/Duke Corporate Finance Conference

- 3. Web3 Financing and Inclusion Virtual Symposium
- 4. Innovator Diversity Pilots Conference
- 5. AI and Platform Evolution: Business Perspectives and Policy Implications

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- 1. Western Finance Association
- 2. European Finance Association
- 3. Washington University in St. Louis Corporate Finance Conference
- 4. SFS Cavalcade Conference
- 5. Society for Institutional and Organizational Economics
- 6. Financial Management Association Conference
- 7. FMA Wine Country Conference ("The Napa Conference")
- 8. Duke-UNC Corporate Finance Conference
- 9. Financial Intermediation Research Society (FIRS) Conference
- 10. Crypto and Blockchain Economics Research (CBER) Annual Conference
- 11. Midwest Finance Association
- 12. International Corporate Governance Society

Session Chair/ 1. "Securities Law" at Conference on Empirical Legal Studies

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#### Organizer:

- 2. "Shareholder Activism" at NYU/Penn Conference on Law & Finance
- 3. "FinTechs Empirical" at Western Finance Association Annual Meeting
- 4. "Corporate Culture" at American Finance Association Annual Meeting
- 5. "The Value of Culture" at American Economic Association Annual Meeting
- 6. "Corporate Sustainability" at American Finance Association Annual Meeting
- 7. "Social and Political Factors" at Australasian Finance and Banking Conference
- 8. "Institutions and Analysts" at Machine Learning and Business Conference
- 6. Histitutions and Analysis at Machine Learning and Dusiness
- 9. "Gender" at Financial Management Association Meeting
- 10. "Activism, ESG and Social Objectives" at SFS Cavalcade
- 11. "Art Investment: Blockchain Technology" at Art, Finance, and Law Symposium
- 12. "Designing and Distributing Ownership" at Governance Learning Forum
- 13. "Investing Apps & Websites" at Financial Management Association Meeting
- 14. "Governance in a Digital Age" at International Corporate Governance Society
- 15. "Disparity in Human Capital and Incentives" at Midwest Finance Association
- 16. "Gender in Finance" at Financial Intermediation Research Society
- 17. "Finance and Equity" at Midwest Finance Association
- 18. "FinTech" at SFS Cavalcade
- 19. "Diversity & Gender in Finance" at Financial Management Association Meeting

#### Discussions:

- 1. "Bribes and Firm Value"
- 2. "Informed Short Selling in High Fail-to-Deliver Stocks"
- 3. "Law and Finance Matter: Lessons from Externally Imposed Courts"
- 4. "Intellectual Property Protection and Financial Markets: Patenting vs. Secrecy"
- 5. "Labor-induced Technical Change: Evidence from Doing Business in China"
- 6. "Does CEO Cultural Heritage Affect Performance under Competitive Pressure?"
- 7. "Trust Busting: The Effect of Fraud on Investor Behavior"
- 8. "Corporate Risk Culture"
- 9. "Man vs. Machine: Quantitative and Discretionary Equity Management"
- 10. "Mergers and Acquisitions, Technological Change and Inequality"
- 11. "Crowdsourced Employer Reviews and Stock Returns"
- 12. "Does Culture Pay? Evidence from Crowdsourced Employee Engagement Data"
- 13. "Fund What You Trust? Social Capital and Moral Hazard in Crowdfunding"
- 14. "Does Crowdsourced Research Discipline Sell-Side Analysts?"
- 15. "Corporate Culture as an Implicit Contract"
- 16. "Financial Inclusion, Human Capital, and Wealth Accumulation: Evidence from the Freedman's Savings Bank"
- 17. "Do Venture Capitalists Stifle Competition?"
- 18. "Attracting the Sharks: Corporate Innovation and Securities Class Action Lawsuits"
- 19. "Alpha Portfolio for Investment and Economically Interpretable AI"
- 20. "Aggregating Artificially Intelligent Earnings Forecasts"
- 21. "It's Not Who You Know—It's Who Knows You: Employee Social Capital and Firm Performance"
- 22. "The Use and Usefulness of Big Data in Finance: Evidence from Financial Analysts"
- 23. "Engineering Value: The Returns to Technological Talent and Investments in Artificial Intelligence"
- 24. "Man vs. Machine Learning: The Term Structure of Earnings Expectations and Conditional Biases"
- 25. "Owner Culture and Pay Inequality within Firms"
- 26. "Innovation Networks and R&D Allocation"
- 27. "Falling through the Glass Ceiling: The Gender Gap in Directors' Career Paths

after Financial Restatements"

- 28. "Relationship Banking and Credit Scores; Evidence from a Natural Experiment"
- 29. "The Disappearing Negative Effect of Board Diversity on Firm Performance"
- 30. "The Gender Pay Gap: Pay-for-performance and Sorting Across Employers"
- 31. "Displaced by Big Data Evidence from Active Fund Managers"
- 32. "Does Generative AI Crowd Out Social Learning? Evidence from a Field Experiment with Entrepreneurs"
- 33. "Unveiling the Bond Between Artists and Their Work: A Vignette Study"
- 34. "Decentralized Governance, Blockholder Activism, and Insider Trading"

## Advising:

Undergraduate: Niels Armbruster, Emory BA 2025, (thesis committee)

Steven Zhao, Emory BA 2025, (independent research advisor) Ivy Chen, Emory BA 2026, (independent research advisor) Peter Jeong, Emory BA 2025, applying to Masters programs Erkin Acsi, UC-Berkeley BA 2024, applying to PhD programs John Sadina, Santa Clara BA 2025, applying to JD programs Caroline Kedeshian, Santa Clara BA 2023, Pepperdine Law, JD Eleanor Robb, Duke BA 2023, Columbia Psychology, Masters

Daniel Garcia, Duke BA 2022 (thesis advisor), Columbia Economics, PhD Chris Theodore, Duke BA 2022, Duke University Management, Masters

Cayley Ryan, Duke BA 2021 (thesis advisor), Pennsylvania State Sociology, PhD

Mark Sampson, Duke BA 2018, Georgetown Statistics, Masters Ashley Qiang, Duke BA 2017, UC-Berkeley Public Policy, Masters

Louis Labellarte, Santa Clara BA 2023, Tech (first job) Nick Dahlborg, Duke BA 2022, Private Equity (first job)

Elena Rivera, Duke BA 2022, Web3 (first job) Ben Schwennesen, Duke BA 2019, Tech (first job)

Mitchell Li, Duke BA 2018, San Francisco Federal Reserve (first job) Yingyan Shi, Duke MA 2023, City University of Hong Kong Finance, PhD

Yijin Wang, Duke MA 2022, University of Rochester Finance, PhD Luke Walker, Duke MMS 2019, University of Texas at Austin, JD Chengjun Wu, Duke MA 2019, University of Maryland Finance, PhD

Jayeon Lee, Duke MS 2019, UC-Berkeley Finance, PhD Chee Him Pang, Duke MS 2022, Banking (first job) Zhongcheng Xiao, Duke MS 2019, Tech (first job)

PhD: Chen Tian, Emory Operations PhD 2026, committee member

Andre Poyser, University of Otago Finance PhD 2025, external reviewer

## **Prior Work Experience:**

2009-2011 Wharton School, Research Assistant to Alex Gelber, David Abrams, Peter Linneman
 2006-2009 KPMG, Senior Associate, Economic and Valuation Services
 2007 World Trade Organization, Visiting Scholar, Division of Economics and Statistics
 2004-2006 Federal Reserve Board, Research Assistant, Division of International Finance, Trade and Quantitative Studies Section (covered oil, natural gas, and commodity markets)
 2003-2004 Wellesley College, Research Assistant to Mark Duggan and Melissa Kearney
 Glance Networks, Programmer at Business Software Startup

Personal:

Masters:

Born: Pennsylvania, United States

Family: I am married to Matthew Grennan and have three children (Jorie, Grant, and Franklin).