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Career Objective

To obtain a position that will enable me to utilize my educational background, sober attitude, keen motivation to learn, earnest determination to progress, and ability to work well with people.

Education

Post Doctorate

School of Management, Fudan University, Shanghai, China.

Start time: October 2018

Completion time: October 2020

PhD

PhD in Financial Management

School of Accounting, Dongbei University of Finance and Economics, Dalian, China. Batch 2013-16.

- Research thesis titled “The disciplinary role of product market competition in shaping a firm’s information environment and payout policy in China” completed under the supervision of Professor Xian Zhi Zhang, Vice Dean, School of Accounting, DUFU, China.

- PhD defense held on December 18, 2016.
- PhD research work supported by the National Natural Science Fund of China.

Score: 89.13%

MS

Masters in Finance (MS Program)

Muhammad Ali Jinnah University (currently called, Capital University of Science and Technology), Islamabad, Pakistan. Batch 2011-13.

CGPA: 3.44/4.00

- Distinction in Thesis “Corporate governance and earnings management: A case of Pakistani listed companies”

Bachelors

Bachelor in Business Administration (Finance), BBA Honors (16 years degree)
University of Malakand, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan. Batch 2006-10.

Score: 80.59%

Intermediate

F.Sc pre-engineering

Jamal English Education Academy, Chakdara
BISE Malakand. 2006.

Score: 72.27%

Matriculation

Science

Govt. High School Chakdara

BISE Malakand. 2003.

Score: 74.70%

Assignments & Projects

- Successfully completed project titled “Competitive pressure and firm’s management: Evidence from information quality and corporate payout policy in Pakistan” funded by HEC.
- Analysis on Khyber Pakhtunkhwa provincial budget 2008-2009.
- Comprehensive analysis of marketing channels of Atlas Honda Private limited.
- Ratio analysis of Cement industry in Pakistan.
- Report on Plastic money trends in Pakistan.
- Marketing project on Tranzum Courier Services (TCS) Ltd.
- Management project on Edhi welfare organization (World’s largest ambulance service).

- A Comprehensive Internship report on National Bank of Pakistan.

Research

Papers Published

1. Corporate strategic responses, supplier concentration and sustainable growth of chinese listed firms (2023). *Operations Management Research*, 1-15. **(Springer, Scopus, SSCI, HEC W-Category)**
2. Board diversity and financial reporting quality: evidence from China (2022). *Economic Research-Ekonomska Istraživanja*, 1-19. **(Taylor & Francis, SSCI, HEC W- Category)**
3. Covid-19 and stock market liquidity: international evidence (2022). *Economic Research-Ekonomska Istraživanja*, 1-21. **(Taylor & Francis, SSCI, HEC W- Category)**
4. Internal Dynamics of Dividend Policy in East-Asia: A Comparative Study of Japan and South Korea (2022). *SAGE Open*, 12(2), 21582440221095499. **(SAGE, SSCI, HEC W-Category)**
5. Family control and corporate risk-taking in China: Does working capital strategy matter? (2021). *Economic Research-Ekonomska Istraživanja*, 1-20. **(Taylor & Francis, SSCI, HEC W- Category)**
6. CEO military background and investment efficiency (2021), *Emerging Markets Finance and Trade*, 1-14. **(Taylor & Francis, SSCI, HEC W- Category)**
7. Product Market Competition and Financial Analysts' Forecast Quality: The Mediating Role of Financial Reporting Quality (2021). *Borsa Istanbul Review*. **(Elsevier, SSCI, HEC W-Category)**
8. How socially anxious people become compulsive social media users: The role of fear of negative evaluation and rejection (2021). *Telematics and Informatics*, 101658. **(Elsevier, SSCI, HEC W-Category)**
9. Smartphone addiction and behavioral outcomes in South Korea: A systematic review and meta-analysis (2021). *Humanities and Social Sciences Reviews*. 9(2), 358-369. <https://doi.org/10.18510/hssr.2021.9235> **(HEC X- Category)**
10. The nexus between product market competition and analysts' forecast quality: Empirical evidence from Chinese-listed firms (2020). *Journal of Asia Business Studies*, 14(1), 15-30. **(Emerald, Scopus, ESCI, HEC X-Category)**
11. Principal-Principal agency conflicts, product market competition and corporate payout policy in China (2020). *Journal of Asia Business Studies*. 14(3), 265-279. **(Emerald, Scopus, ESCI, HEC X-Category)**

X-Category)

12. Are stock markets and cryptocurrencies connected? (2020). *Singapore Economic Review*. doi:10.1142/S0217590820470050 **(World Scientific, Scopus, SSCI, HEC W-Category)**
13. Determinants of corporate cash holdings in tranquil and turbulent period: evidence from an emerging economy (2019). *Financial Innovation*, 5(1), 3. **(Springer, Scopus, SSCI, HEC W-Category)**
14. Modeling product market competition and reporting quality: The transitional economy of China (2017). *Managerial Finance*, 43(2). **(Emerald, Scopus, ESCI, HEC X-Category)**
15. The role of financial advice and word-of-mouth communication on the association between investor personality and stock trading behavior: Evidence from Chinese stock market. (2017). *Personality and Individual Differences*, 108, 55-65. **(Elsevier, Scopus, SSCI, W-Category)**
16. Credit supply and corporate capital structure: evidence from Pakistan (2016). *South Asian Journal of Business Studies*, 5(2). **(Emerald, Scopus, ESCI, X-Category)**
17. Dynamics of volatility spillover between stock market and foreign exchange market: evidence from Asian Countries (2016). *Financial Innovation*, 2(1), 1. **(Springer, Scopus, SSCI, W-Category)**
18. Examining volatility spillover between Asian countries' stock markets (2016). *China Finance and Economic Review*, 4(1), 1. **(Springer)**
19. Corporate Governance and Earnings Management: A Case of Karachi Stock Exchange Listed Companies (2015). *Indian Journal of Corporate Governance*, 8(2), 103-118. **(SAGE)**
20. Leverage, Size of the Firm and Profitability: A Case of Pakistani Cement Industry (2013). *International Journal of Business Insights & Transformation*, 7(1). **(EBSCO and ProQuest)**
21. Comparison between Islamic and general equity funds of Pakistan: Difference in their performances and fund flow volatility (2015). *Emerging Economy Studies*, 1(2), 211-226. **(SAGE)**
22. Information Sources and Trading Behavior: Does Investor Personality Matter? (2016). *Qualitative Research in Financial Markets*, 8(2). **(Emerald, Scopus, ESCI)**
23. Effects of remittances on per capita economic growth of Pakistan (2016). *Pakistan Business Review*, 18(1), 1-18. **(HEC X)**
24. Performance Persistence in Institutional Investment Management: The Case of Chinese Equity Funds (2016). *Borsa Istanbul Review*, 16(3), 146-156. **(Elsevier, Scopus, SSCI)**

25. Self-Attribution Bias, Overconfidence Bias, and Perceived Market Efficiency (2015). *International Journal of Business Insights & Transformation*, 8(2).
26. Emerging market mutual fund performance: evidence for China (2017). *Journal of Asia business studies*, 11(2). **(Emerald, Scopus, ESCI)**
27. Financing behavior of firms in tranquil and crisis period: Evidence from China (2017). *Cogent of Economics & Finance*, 5(1). **(Taylor&Francis, Scopus, ESCI)**
28. Effects of terms of trade on economic growth of Pakistan (2018). *Foreign Trade Review*, 53(1), 1-11. **(SAGE, ESCI)**
29. Public debt and economic growth in Pakistan: A reassessment (2016). *Pakistan Business Review*, 18(2), 307-324. **(HEC X)**
30. Effect of Terms of Trade on Economic Growth of China (2018). *Emerging Economy Studies*, 4(2), 157-168. **(SAGE)**
31. Impact of ownership, competition, and management practices on efficiency of banking sector (2018). *Polish Journal of Management Studies*, 18. **(Scopus, ESCI)**

Papers Under review

1. Boardroom diversity and financial performance: the mediating role of corporate risk taking and innovation. *Journal of Business Research*.
2. Product market competition and information quality: New methods and approaches. *Chinese management Studies*.

Conference Papers

1. Iqbal, A., Zhang, X., Jebran, K. Principal-Principal agency conflicts, product market competition and corporate payout policy in China. CAFM 2016 (Conference on Asia-pacific Financial Markets, South Korea) organized by KSA (Korean Securities Association) in collaboration with Asia-pacific Journal of Financial Studies.

Experience

- A total of six years, post Ph.D. teaching and research experience.
- Currently serving as Assistant professor of Finance at Hazara University, Mansehra. (Joined Nov 26, 2020)
- Served as Assistant professor of Finance at Riphah International University Lahore (March 2020 to December 2020).

- Postdoc fellowship at the School of Management, Fudan University, Shanghai, China (October 2018 to October 2020).
- Served as Assistant professor of Finance at DHA Suffa University, Karachi (September 2019 to January 2020).
- Served as Assistant Professor of Finance at University of Swat, Pakistan (April 2017 to October 2018).
- Courses taught: Business Finance, Financial management, Corporate finance, Financial risk management, Investment analysis and portfolio management, International Finance, Business research methods, Entrepreneurship, Financial reporting and analysis, Corporate governance, Research methods in Finance.
- Served as an Internee in National Bank of Pakistan from 25th June 2009 to 20th August 2009.
- Served in different departments of banks i.e. Government Dept, Remittance Dept, Accounts & Deposits, Cash department, Finance and Retail Banking department.

Achievements

- HEC approved PhD supervisor
- Awarded research grant by HEC (Higher Education Commission of Pakistan) for my research project under SRGP (Star- up Research Grant Program).
- Awarded doctoral scholarship by government of China and Pakistan in the cultural exchange scholarship program of 2013.
- Secured distinction in BBA Honors program.
- Scored 97.7 percentile in Graduate Assessment Test (GAT) – General for admission in MS, which was held in March 2011.
- Scored 94.3 percentile in Graduate Assessment Test (GAT) – Subject for admission in PhD, which was held in June 2013.
- Achieved awards and certificates in extracurricular activities such as sports and quiz competitions.

Skills

- Computer skill especially in MS Office.
- Ability to perform effectively in teams and groups.
- Communication and Presentation Skills.
- Proficiency in English language. Literate user of internet.
- Ability to use SPSS, EViews, and Stata.

Interests and Memberships

- Enjoy reading and net surfing.
- Enjoy country side views, Traveling, and Hiking.
- Member of various Econometrics and Research oriented groups.

References and Publications will be provided on request.