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Academic Employment

Darla Moore School of Business, University of South Carolina Assistant Professor of Finance	09/2016 - present
Stockholm Business School, Stockholm University Ph.D. Candidate and Teaching Assistant in Finance	09/2011 - 08/2016
W.P. Carey School of Business, Arizona State University Visiting Researcher	08/2015 - 01/2016

Education

Ph.D. in Finance, Stockholm University, Sweden	06/2016
M.Sc. in Finance, University of Gothenburg, Sweden	06/2011
B.Sc. in Industrial Engineering, Qazvin Azad University, Iran	02/2003

Research Interests

Corporate Finance, Mergers and Acquisitions, Investments, Institutional Investors, Empirical Asset Pricing, Market Microstructure, Event Studies

Published Book

“Essays on Mergers and Acquisitions and Event Studies,” ISBN: 978-91-7649-447-9,
Doctoral Thesis, Stockholm Business School, Stockholm University, 2016

Working Papers

- “Anticipating Takeovers and their Payment Methods: A New Approach Using U.S. Acquisitions”

- “Takeover Anticipation and Abnormal Returns”
- “Event Study Analysis with Time-Varying Alphas, Betas and Variances: The Case of M&As”
- “Inertia of Institutional Investors, Stock Returns, and Performance”, with Hugh H. Kim
- Structural Breaks and Long-Run Event Studies, with Liang Ma

Grants and Scholarships

- The Darla Moore School of Business Research Grant, 2016, 2017, 2018
- Jan Wallanders and Tom Hedelius Foundation’s scholarship for visiting Arizona State University, 2015 - 2016
- Nordic Finance Network travel grant, 2011 and 2012

Professional Presentations (including scheduled):

“Anticipating Takeovers and their Payment Methods: A New Approach Using U.S. Acquisitions”

Presented at Eastern Finance Association Annual Meeting (2017, Jacksonville), University of South Carolina (2015), Cornerstone Research (2015, Washington, D.C.), Arizona State University (2015), FMA Annual Meeting (2015, Orlando), Stockholm Business School (2015), EFMA Annual Meeting (2014, Rome), MFA Annual Meeting (2014, Orlando), Stockholm Business School Ph.D. Conference (2014), and National Ph.D. Workshop in Finance (2013, Swedish House of Finance, Stockholm)

“Takeover Anticipation and Abnormal Returns”

Presented at EFMA Annual Meeting (2015, Amsterdam)

“Event Study Analysis with Time-Varying Alphas, Betas and Variances: The Case of M&As”

Presented at FMA Annual Meeting (2018, San Diego), MFA Annual Meeting (2017, Chicago) and Eastern Finance Association Annual Meeting (2017, Jacksonville)

“Inertia of Institutional Investors, Stock Returns, and Performance”, with Hugh H. Kim

Presented at University of South Carolina (2018), MFA Annual Meeting (2018, San Antonio, invited session)

- Media mention: “Citywire”

Teaching Experience

University of South Carolina

FINA 365: Corporate Financial Analysis (Undergraduate), Spring 2017, Spring 2018,
Spring 2019

FINA 869: Quest lecturer in Seminar in Financial Research (Ph.D.), Spring 2017

Stockholm Business School

Principles of Finance (B.Sc.), Lecturer, 2013 - 2014

Real Estate Management (B.Sc.), TA, 2015 - 2016

Finance II, Investments (B.Sc.), TA, 2012 - 2016

Financial Accounting and Corporate Finance (B.Sc.), TA, 2011, 2014

Principles of Finance (B.Sc.), TA, 2011 - 2014

Advanced Financial Theory (M.Sc.), TA, 2011

Professional Service

Program Committee:

2019 FMA Annual Meeting (New Orleans, scheduled)

Fixed Income and Financial Institutions (FIFI) Conference

2018 FMA Annual Meeting (San Diego)

Discussant:

2017 FMA Annual Meeting (Boston)

MFA Annual Meeting (Chicago)

Eastern Finance Association Annual Meeting (Jacksonville)

2015 FMA Annual Meeting (Orlando)

EFMA Annual Meeting (Amsterdam)

4th Annual Ph.D. Conference of Stockholm Business School (Stockholm)

2014 EFMA Annual Meeting (Rome)

MFA Annual Meeting (Orlando)

2012 2nd Annual Ph.D. Conference of Stockholm Business School (Stockholm)

2011 Stockholm Business School (Stockholm)

Session Organizer/Chair:

2018 FMA Annual Meeting (San Diego)

Fixed Income and Financial Institutions (FIFI) Conference

2017 Eastern Finance Association Annual Meeting (Jacksonville)

Fixed Income and Financial Institutions (FIFI) Conference

University Service

- Finance Department Recruiting Committee, 2016-2019
- Faculty Advisor: Graduate Curricular Practical Training (Said Mammadov, 2018), Undergraduate Honors Thesis (Beall, E. A., 2017-18)

Non-Academic Employment (Selected)

Pump and Turbine Manufacturing Company, Plan and Project Manager, Iran	2008 - 2009
Aras Free Zone, Plan and Budget Manager, Iran	2006 - 2008
Behfan Tadbiran Company, Factory Manager, Iran	2002 - 2005

Professional Membership

AFA, EFA, FMA