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Prof. FAN Zhongwen Joins the Department of Accountancy



Hi, everyone! My name is Zhongwen Fan. I am very excited to join the City University of Hong Kong (CityU) as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Accountancy.

I was born and raised in Shanghai, China. I graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Accounting from Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, an M.S. in Finance from Boston College, and a Ph.D. in Accounting from the University of Texas at Dallas. Before joining CityU, I was on the faculty of the University of Hong Kong.

I explore three topics in my accounting research. The first involves applying theories of behavioural economics to explain corporate accounting and tax decisions. My work provides evidence that managers often deviate from the standard model when making such decisions. The second is examining the role of accounting in corporate debt financing. Debt is a major form of financing for firms around the world. My work reveals the various ways that disclosures affect debt financing. The last topic is corporate governance. I am particularly interested in emerging topics in this area, such as the application of blockchain in corporate governance.



I am also very excited to interact with students at CityU in the classroom. I hope my students will obtain a great learning experience that benefits their future career development.

When not doing research and teaching, I enjoy traveling. I have taken travel photos in Alaska, U.S., and Gansu, China.