

New Staff Arrival – Dr Satish Sahoo



Hi! My name is Satish Sahoo and I am very excited to be a part of CityU's Accountancy family. I am grateful for the warm interactions I have had with my colleagues and look forward to many more in the future.

I am from the state of Odisha, India. Situated in the eastern coastal plains of the country, it is a land of monumental temples, picturesque beaches, and delicious sweets. I spent my formative years in my native state, where I completed a Bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from National Institute of Technology, Rourkela. The pursuit of higher education took me to the Philippines, where I obtained my MBA in Finance from the Asian Institute of Management, Manila. I started my journey as an academic at the Indian School of Business, where I worked as

a Research Assistant for a year and a half. I subsequently obtained my Ph.D. in Business Administration (major in Accounting) from the University of Southern California.

My current research focuses on M&A and debt contracting. My research interest is interdisciplinary and transcends the boundaries of financial accounting and corporate finance. In my dissertation, I examine how a structural aspect of the current M&A accounting standard helps/prevents users of financial statements from understanding the underlying economics of the transaction. My research often both informs and is informed by the standard-setting process. In the upcoming semester, I look forward to teaching a course on risk management to undergraduate students. In due course, I would like to teach accounting analytics and possibly an elective course in M&A accounting to graduate students.

When I am not busy thinking about accounting research, I spend time watching cricket and playing tennis. I often dabble in the art of cooking along with my lovely wife Swati, which sometimes leads to unintended outcomes. I am fortunate to have a very loving family back in India who have supported me unconditionally throughout my life.



I look forward to having lots of fun interactions and co-authoring many research papers with you. My wife and I look forward to embracing the Hong Kong way of life!