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Academic Positions

2023-pres.	University of Connecticut, School of Business Associate Professor, Operations and Information Management
2019-2020	University of Arizona, Eller College of Management Visiting Faculty, Management Information Systems
	University of Denver, Daniels College of Business
2022-2023	Endowed Betty and Fritz Knoebel Fellow
2019-2023	Associate Professor (with tenure), Service Analytics
2015-2023	Founding Faculty, Revenue Management & Analytics Concentration
2013-2019	Assistant Professor, Service Analytics

Areas of Work

Topics	Algorithms and AI, Platform Economics, Market Design
Methods	Econometrics, Causal Inference, Machine Learning and Analytics

Education

2010-2013	Ph.D. Business Administration, Temple University
2008-2010	M.Phil. Hospitality Management, Hong Kong Polytechnic University
2004-2008	B. Management (with highest distinction), Fudan University, China

Industry Experience

2020-pres.	HomeLab Technologies (vacation rental investment)
2024	PepsiCo (Packaging recipe analyses). Bastion Health (sales funnel analysis)
2023	LEGO (productivity improvement)
2016	Denver City Council (short-term rental legislation). Smith Travel Research (pipeline
	analysis). Callan (asset analysis)
2015	Sage Hospitality (time series analytics). Aparium (feasibility research)
2014	USAA (life-changing events prediction). Restaurant Solutions (compliance analytics)
2013	Mars Inc. (marketing channel optimization). Holiday Inn Express (sales analytics).
	Stonebridge Companies (sales and marketing analytics)
2008	UBS (Greater China market analysis). Accenture (IT re-engineering)
2007	Unilever (packaging and branding analyses)

Recent Publications

"Engaging physicians with introductory incentives: The role of online and offline references" (with Xiaofei Zhang, Bin Gu & Xitong Guo) *MIS Quarterly*

- ² "Recreational cannabis legalization and illicit drugs: Drug usage, mortality, and darknet transactions" (with Louis Liu & Wei Chen) *Production and Operations Management* (2025), 34(1), 99–119
- "Quality differentiation and matching in peer-to-peer markets: Evidence from Airbnb Plus" (with Hongchang Wang, Benjamin Williams & Wei Chen) *Management Science* (2024), 70(7), 4260-4282
- 4 "How incumbents beat disruption? Evidence from hotel responses to home sharing" (with Jianwei Liu, Wei Chen, Yong Liu, & Yunlong Sun) *Production and Operations Management* (2023), 32(9), 2758-2774
 - Winner, Marketing Science Institute (MSI) Research Grant Competition 2019
 - Awardee, NET Institute Grant 2019
- ⁵ "Regulating professional players in peer-to-peer markets: Evidence from Airbnb" (with Wei Chen & Zaiyan Wei) *Management Science* (2022), 69(5), 2547-3155
 - Winner, Marketing Science Institute (MSI) Research Grant Competition 2019
- "The battle for homes: How does home sharing disrupt local residential markets?" (with Wei Chen & Zaiyan Wei) *Management Science* (2022), 68(12), 8515-9218
 - Featured Article of Management Science December 2022 Issue
 - Best Paper Award Runner-up, CSWIM 2018
- "Managers' responses to online reviews for improving firm performance: A text analytics approach" (with TJ Deng & Youngjin Lee) Communications of the Association for Information Systems (2021), 49, 699-728.
- 8 "Social media and brand purchase: Quantifying the effects of exposures to earned and owned social media activities in a two-stage decision making model" (with Youngjin Lee) *Journal of Management Information Systems* (2015), 32(2), 204-238
 - Awardee, Wharton Customer Analytics Initiative Data Grant 2012

Working Papers

- 1 "Follow my lead? Impacts of multi-dimensional expert reviews on subsequent consumer ratings" (with Demei Kong & Jun Yang) Under 3rd round review at *Production and Operations Management*
- ² "Enhancing attraction experiences through home sharing: Evidence from customer review analytics" (with Jianwei Liu) Under 3rd round review at *Production and Operations Management*
- 3 "Beyond funding: How token liquidity shapes application development in crypto ventures" (with Wei Chen & Weifeng Li) Under revision for 4th round review at *Journal* of Operations Management
 - Best Paper Award, ICIS 2020 Blockchain, DLT, and FinTech Track

- 4 "The economics of AI foundation models: Openness, competition, and governance" (with Wei Chen, Xiaoyu Wang & Fasheng Xu) Under revision for 2nd round review at *Management Science*
- "Beyond the stay: How short-term rentals reshape residential real estate investment" (with Sung Joo Kim, Wei Chen & Zaiyan Wei) Under review at MIS Quarterly
- 6 "Generative AI and organizational structure in the knowledge economy" (with Fasheng Xu, Jing Hou & Wei Chen) Under review at *Management Science*
- 7 "Dance with the algorithm? Impact of algorithmic buyers on housing affordability" (with Wei Chen, Cheng Nie & Xinxin Li)
- 8 "Should digital platforms share data with governments? Evidence from Airbnb" (with Hongchang Wang, Sung Joo Kim, Wei Chen & Zaiyan Wei)
 - Best Paper Award Runner-up, INFORMS CIST 2022
- 9 "Persuasion is all you need: Generative AI-powered content, consumer search, and product sales" (with Xiaofei Zhang, Wei Chen, Fasheng Xu & Kai Li)
- 10 "Racing with GenAI: Impact of GenAI conversational agents on mental health counselors" (with Chenxi Guo, Seokjun Youn, Wei Chen & Xunyu Chen)
- "Humanizing the stay: Impact of promoting suppliers in peer-to-peer markets" (with Yinan Yu, Benjamin Williams & Wei Chen)
- 12 "Impact of GenAI on knowledge scoping in organizational hierarchy: Large-scale field study with Sam's Club" (with Jianwei Liu, Wei Chen & Fasheng Xu)
- 13 "Backfiring of location disclosure in user speech: Evidence from large language modeling" (with Xuan Wei, Jiayu Yao & Mingyue Zhang)

Policy and Practitioner Papers

- 1 "Short-term rentals in Denver, CO" (with David Corsun & Cheri Young) Denver City Council (2016). Denver, Colorado
- 2 "Marketing on the move: Understanding the impact of mobile on consumer behavior" Marketing Science Institute (2012). Boston, MA

Other Publications

- "Switching decision, timing, and app performance: An empirical analysis of mobile app developers' switching behavior between monetization strategies" (with Youngjin Lee, Hossein Ghasemkhani, & Yong Tan) *Journal of Business Research* (2021), 127, 332-345.
- ² "The copycat effect: Do hotel-like features drive Airbnb performance?" (with Cheri Young) *Journal of Hospitality & Tourism Research* (2021)
- "Let photos speak: The effect of user-generated visual content on hotel review helpfulness" (with Chunhong Li, Linchi Kwok, Jianwei Liu, & Qiang Ye) *Journal of Hospitality & Tourism Research* (2021)

- 4 "Do professional hosts matter? Evidence from multi-listing and full-time hosts in Airbnb" (with Cindy Heo & Eddie Mao) *Journal of Hospitality & Tourism Management* (2021), 47, 413-421
- 5 "Effect of commercial neighbors on the online popularity of peer-to-peer accommodation-sharing properties" (with Jianwei Liu, Jinah Park, Haiyan Song, & Wei Chen) *Journal of Hospitality & Tourism Research* (2020), 44(5), 780-805
- "Are neighbors friends or foes? Assessing Airbnb listings' agglomeration effect in New York City" (with Linchi Kwok & Cindy Heo) *Cornell Hospitality Quarterly* (2020), 61(2), 128-141.
- 7 "Impact of accommodation sharing on tourist attractions" (with Haiyan Song, Jinah Park, & Wei Chen) *Annals of Tourism Research* (2020), 80(C), 102820
- 8 "The effects of consumer experience and disconfirmation on the timing of online review: Field evidence from the restaurant business" (with Hengyun Li & Zili Zhang) *International Journal of Hospitality Management* (2020), 84, 102344
- 9 "To share or to access? Travelers' choice on the types of accommodation-sharing services" (with Linchi Kwok, ChihChien Chen, & Jiang Wu) *Journal of Hospitality and Tourism Management* (2020), 42, 77-87.
- "Hotels at fingertips: Informational cues in consumer conversion from search, click-through, to book" (with Youngjin Lee) *Journal of Hospitality and Tourism Technology* (2019), 11(1), 49-67.
 - Best Presentation Award, iHITA 2015
- "Are consumers loyal to home-sharing services? Impacts of host attributes and frequency of past stays" (with Linchi Kwok & Jiang Wu) *International Journal of Contemporary Hospitality Management* (2019), 31(3), 1066-1085.
- "Locational strategy of professional hosts: Effect on perceived quality and revenue performance of Airbnb listings" (with Zhenxin Mao) *Journal of Hospitality & Tourism Research* (2019), 43(6), 919-929.
- "Peer-to-peer accommodation services in the sharing economy: Effects of psychological distances on guest loyalty" (with Kevin So & Jiang Wu) *International Journal of Contemporary Hospitality Management* (2019), 31(8), 3212-3230.
- "Effects of host incentives on multiple listings in accommodation sharing" (with Yong Chen) *International Journal of Contemporary Hospitality Management* (2019), 31(4), 1995-2013.
- 15 "Learning from peers: The effect of sales history disclosure on peer-to-peer short-term rental purchases" (with Zhenxin Mao & Jiang Wu). *International Journal of Hospitality Management* (2019), 76(January), 173-183.

- "Why restaurants fail? Part V: Role of economic factors, risk, density, location, cuisine, health code violations and GIS factors" (with H.G. Parsa, Jeff Kreeger, Jean-Pierre van der Rest, & Jackson Lamb) *International Journal of Hospitality & Tourism Administration* (2019), 22(2), 142-167.
- 17 "Pricing strategies on Airbnb: Are multi-unit hosts revenue pros?" (with Linchi Kwok) *International Journal of Hospitality Management* (2019), 82(September), 252-259.
 - Highly Cited Paper, University of Denver Research and Scholarship Annual Report 2021
- 18 "Buyer-seller similarity: Does it lead to a successful peer-to-peer transaction of roomsharing services?" (with Linchi Kwok) *International Journal of Contemporary Hospitality Management* (2018), 30(9), 2925-2944.
 - Best Paper Award, Global Tourism & Hospitality Conference 2017
 - Best Paper Award, iHITA 2017
- 19 "The effects of reviewer expertise on future reputation, popularity, and financial performance of hotels: Insights from data-analytics" (with Kevin So) *Journal of Hospitality & Tourism Research* (2018), 42(8), 1187-1209.
- 20 "Staying with the ingroup or outgroup? A cross-country examination of international travelers' home-sharing preferences" (with Yuan Wang, Laurie Wu, & Xiang Li) *International Journal of Hospitality Management* (2018), 77(January), 425-437.
- 21 "Monetizing managerial response on TripAdvisor: Performance implications across hotel classes" (with Linchi Kwok & Wei Wang) Cornell Hospitality Quarterly (2017), 58(3), 240-252.
 - W. Bradford Wiley Memorial Research Award 2017
 - Best Paper Award, West Federation CHRIE 2016
- "Chinese travelers' behavioral intentions toward room-sharing platforms: The influence of motivations, perceived trust, and past experience" (with Jiang Wu & Minne Zeng)

 International Journal of Contemporary Hospitality Management (2017), 29(10), 2688-2707.
- 23 "In sharing economy we trust: The effects of host attributes on short-term rental purchases" (with Jiang Wu & Panhao Ma) *International Journal of Contemporary Hospitality Management* (2017), 29(11), 2962-2976.
 - Best Paper Award, Wuhan International Conference on E-Business 2016
- ²⁴ "Consumer valuation of Airbnb listings: A hedonic pricing approach" (with Yong Chen) *International Journal of Contemporary Hospitality Management* (2017), 29(9), 2405-2424.
- ²⁵ "The effects of Airbnb's price positioning on hotel performance" (with Linchi Kwok) *International Journal of Hospitality Management* (2017), 67, 174-184.
- ²⁶ "The influence of incidental affect and mood-changing price on online booking intention" (with Chihchien Chen & Shuo Wang) *Journal of Hospitality and Tourism Technology* (2017), 8(3), 357-371.

- ²⁷ "Travelers' preferences for peer-to-peer (P2P) accommodations and hotels" (with Cheri Young & David Corsun) *International Journal of Culture, Tourism, and Hospitality Research* (2017), 11(4), 465-482.
 - Emerald Literati Award 2018 / IJCTHR Highly Commended Award 2018
- "Joint effects of management responses and online reviews on hotel financial performance: A data-analytics approach" (with Kevin So & Wei Wang) *International Journal of Hospitality Management* (2017), 62(April), 101-110.
- 29 "Social media advertising in a competitive market: Effects of earned and owned exposures on brand purchase" (with Mike Thornhill & Youngjin Lee) *Journal of Hospitality and Tourism Technology* (2017), 8(1), 87-100.
- "The impacts of quality and quantity attributes of Airbnb hosts on listing performance" (with Zhenxin Mao) *International Journal of Contemporary Hospitality Management* (2017), 29(9), 2240-2260.
- 31 "Thematic framework of online review research: A systematic analysis of contemporary literature on seven major hospitality and tourism journals" (with Linchi Kwok & Tori Richards) International Journal of Contemporary Hospitality Management (2017), 29(1), 307-354.
- "Factors contributing to online review helpfulness: Do manager responses play a role?" (with Linchi Kwok) *International Journal of Contemporary Hospitality Management* (2016), 28(10), 2156-2177.
 - Best Paper Award Finalist, iHITA 2015
- "Effects of managerial response on consumer eWOM and hotel performance: Evidence from TripAdvisor" (with Ziqiong Zhang, Zili Zhang, Amrik Singh, & Seul Ki Lee) *International Journal of Contemporary Hospitality Management* (2016), 28(9), 2013-2034.
- 34 "Online consumer review factors affecting offline hotel popularity: Evidence from TripAdvisor" (with Chihchien Chen, & Shinyi Wu) Journal of Travel and Tourism Marketing (2016), 33(2), 211-223.
 - Tourism & Hospitality Technology Research Award 2013
 - Interdisciplinary Young Scholar Award 2011
- 35 "Understanding active loyalty behavior in hotel reward programs through customers' switching costs and perceived program value" (with Lina Xiong, Chihchein Chen, & Clark Hu) *Journal of Travel and Tourism Marketing* (2015), 32(3), 308-324.
- 36 "The business value of online consumer reviews and management response to hotel performance" (with Ziqiong Zhang & Zili Zhang) *International Journal of Hospitality Management* (2014), 43(1), 1-12.
- 37 "Hotel loyalty programs: How valuable is valuable enough?" (with Chihchien Chen) *International Journal of Contemporary Hospitality Management* (2014), 26(1), 107-129.
 - Emerald Literati Award 2015 / IJCHM Highly Commended Award 2015
 - Best Paper Award, Caesars Hospitality Research Summit 2011

- "Toward the perspective of cognitive destination image and destination personality: The case of Beijing" (with Jinsoo Lee) *Journal of Travel and Tourism Marketing* (2013), 30(6), 538-556.
- 39 "Progress in loyalty program research: Facts, debates, and future research" (with Chihchien Chen) *Journal of Hospitality Marketing & Management* (2013), 22(5), 463-489.
- 40 "Differentiation of cancellation policies in the U.S. hotel industry" (with Chihchien Chen) *International Journal of Hospitality Management* (2013), 34(1), 66-72.
- "China hotel quality competitiveness assessment: A quality competition index approach" (with Jiannan Zhong & Xueqiong Chen) *Journal of China Tourism Research* (2010), 6(2), 145-163.
- 42 "MICE in Shanghai: Evaluation of perceived features using importance-performance analyses" (with Yingzhi Guo) *Tourism Tribune* (2010), 25(3), 46-54.
- "Assessment of importance-performance analysis model on perceived features of the Shanghai convention and exhibition industry: An empirical application" (with Yingzhi Guo and Yunxia Ye) *Journal of Tourism, Hospitality & Culinary Arts* (2009), 1(3), 79-99.

Honors and Awards (Post Graduation)

2022Distinguished Scholar Award, Daniels College of Business2021Highly Cited Paper, University of Denver Research and Scholarship Annual Report2020Best Paper Award, ICIS (Blockchain, DLT, and FinTech Track)2020Faculty Teaching Excellence Award Finalist, Daniels College of Business2020Distinguished Scholar Award Finalist, Daniels College of Business2019-2020C. Thomas Howard Innovative Teaching Award Finalist (2 times), Daniels College of Business2019Winner (2 times), Marketing Science Institute (MSI) Research Grant Competition2014-2022Faculty Merit Award (9 times), University of Denver2019Faculty Research 'Thick Skin' Award, Daniels College of Business2019Daniels Award for Excellence Finalist2019Best Paper Award, Hospitality Finance and Economics Conference2016-2019Best Paper Award (2 times), West Federation CHRIE2016-2018Best Paper Award Runner-up (2 times), CSWIM2018Best Paper Award Runner-up (2 times), CSWIM2018Public Impact Fellow, University of Denver2018Scholarship of Discipline Award, Daniels College of Business2018Five Years of Service Award, Daniels College of Business2018Emerald Literati Award, Highly Commended Award, IJCTHR2017W. Bradford Wiley Memorial Research Award, International CHRIE2014-2017Outstanding Scientific Paper Reviewer Award (2 times), International CHRIE2015Best Paper Award, Global Tourism and Hospitality Conference2015Emerald Literati Award/Highly Commended Award, IJCHM2015Best	2022	Best Paper Award Runner-up, INFORMS CIST
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2013 Beta Gamma Sigma

Grants and Contracts

2023-2024 AAUP/OVPR Travel Award, University of Connecticut 2023 CEPC Research Grant, University of Connecticut 2020 Facebook Research Grant 2020 Zillow Research Grant Faculty Research Fund (4 times), University of Denver 2017-2022 2014-2022 Summer Research Grant (9 times), University of Denver 2019 **NET Institute Grant** Marketing Science Institute (MSI) Research Grant (2 times) 2019ab Professional Research Opportunities for Faculty Fund (PROF), University of Denver 2019 2019 General Program, National Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC) 2018 General Research Fund, The Research Grants Council of Hong Kong 2018 Public Impact Fellowship, University of Denver 2017 Course Design Institute Grant, University of Denver 2016-2017 One New Thing Mini-Grant (2 times), University of Denver (Tableau, Python) 2015-2017 INTZ Grant (3 times), University of Denver (China, Switzerland, South Korea) 2016 Ethics Instruction Development Grant, Daniels Fund Endowment 2015 Community-Engaged Learning Mini-Grant, University of Denver 2012-2014 Wharton Customer Analytics Initiative Data Grant (2 times) (Advertising, Prediction) Service Learning Engaged Practitioner Program, University of Denver 2014 2014 Collection Development Grant, University of Denver 2014 PinS Faculty-Undergraduate Research Grant, University of Denver 2013 Service Learning Scholars Program, University of Denver 2013 Faculty Fund of Creating a Hybrid Course, University of Denver 2011-2013 Young Scholar Seeds Fund (3 times), Temple University 2011 Fellowship of Emerging Markets in International Business, CIBER

Invited Talks

Travel Research Grant, TTRA

Wang-dao Scholar Research Funding, Fudan University

2011

2007

2025	University of Southern California, Marshall Initiative on Digital Competition (Feb.).
2024	Sun Yat-sen University, Sun Yat-sen Business School (Dec.). UConn School of Business
	(Oct.). Virginia Tech, Pamplin College of Business (Apr.).
2022	Santa Clara University, Leavey School of Business (Nov.). University of Texas at San
	Antonio, Carlos Alvarez College of Business (Nov.). University of Connecticut, School of
	Business (Nov.). University of Denver, Executive PhD Program (Nov.). San Diego State
	University, Fowler College of Business (Oct.).
2021	University of Denver, Executive PhD Program, Daniels College of Business (Nov.).
	Arizona State University, W. P. Carey School of Business (Apr.). University of Denver,
	Entrepreneurship@DU (Mar.). Western CHRIE, Professional Development Panel (Feb.).
2020	University of Arizona, Eller College of Management (Oct.). Fudan University, Master of
	Tourism Administration (Apr.). University of Arizona, Zipperman Scholars Program
	(Feb.).

2019	University of Delaware, Institute for Financial Services Analytics (Dec.). University of Arizona, Eller College of Management (Dec.). Boston University, Questrom School of Business (Nov.). New York University, Stern School of Business & NET Institute (Nov.). University of Calgary, Haskayne School of Business (Jul.). Hong Kong Polytechnic University, School of Hotel and Tourism Management (Jun.). Sun Yat-sen University, Sun Yat-sen Business School (Jun.). University of Denver, International House (Mar.). University of Denver, Fritz Knoebel School Executive Advisory Board (Feb.).
2018	International CHRIE, Career Academy (Jul.). Hong Kong Polytechnic University, School of Hotel and Tourism Management (Jul.). Fudan University, School of Management (Jul.). Xiamen University, School of Management (Jul.). Huaqiao University, Business School (Jul.). Tongji University, School of Economics and Management (Jun.). Hospitality Technology Next Generation (Mar.). University of Denver, Office of Teaching and Learning (Feb.). University of Denver, Faculty Research Colloquium (Jan.).
2017	University of Nevada Las Vegas, William F. Harrah College of Hospitality (Aug.). Harbin Institute of Technology, School of Management (Jul.). Hong Kong Polytechnic University, School of Hotel and Tourism Management (Jun.). Wuhan University, School of Information Management (Jun.). University of Denver, Faculty Professional Development Workshop (May.). University of South Carolina, College of Hospitality, Retail and Sport Management (Mar.).
2016	University of Denver, Office of Teaching and Learning (Nov.). University of Denver, Office of Internationalization (Apr.).
2015	Colorado Hotel and Lodging Association (Nov.). International CHRIE, Career Academy (Jul.).
2014	University of Denver, Faculty Research Colloquium (Oct.).
2013	University of Pennsylvania, Wharton Customer Analytics Initiative (Jun.). Virginia Tech, Pamplin College of Business (Feb.). University of Denver, Daniels College of Business (Jan.).
2012 2009	University of Pennsylvania, Wharton China Business Forum (Feb.). Kyung Hee University, Graduate School of Business Administration (Sep.).
	Teaching and Advising
	School of Business, University of Connecticut
2024-pres.	Statistics in Business Analytics (OPIM 5603)
2023-pres. 2023-2024	Advanced Project Management (Capstone) (OPIM 5770) Visual Analytics (OPIM 5501)
	Daniels College of Business, University of Denver
2015	Revenue Management & Analytics Concentration - New Program Development
2013-2023	Technology and Data Analytics (HOSP 2504) - Interviewed by Tableau Software, September 13, 2017 - Adopted by peer faculty at Purdue University Krannert School of Management (<i>Data Visualization</i>); Georgia Tech Scheller College of Business (<i>Data Visualization for Business</i>); University of Arizona Eller College of Management (<i>Zipperman Scholars Program</i>)
2013-2023	Revenue Management (HOSP 2402) - Commended as University of Denver Grand Challenge Class, 2018
	- Interviewed by IDeaS Revenue Solutions, February 6, 2018

Summer Schools

2020-pres.
 FIST Summer Course. Fudan University (August)
 PhD Summer Course. Xiamen University (July)
 PhD Summer Course. Tongji University (June)

Student Advising

Jinah Park, Postdoctoral Fellow (Placement: Hong Kong Polytechnic University)

Jingran Xu, PhD in MIS Mengwei Qu, PhD in MIS Ning Wang, PhD in MIS

Daniel Trujillo, PhD in Real Estate Management (Placement: University of Denver)

Jianwei Liu PhD in MIS (Placement: Dalian University of Technology) Mike Thornhill, M.S. in Finance (Placement: Tourville Management)

Panhao Ma, M.S. in Business Analytics (Placement: Alibaba) Minne Zeng, M.S. in Business Analytics (Placement: NetEase)

Claudia Alvarado, M.S. in Business Analytics (Placement: STR Analytics) Deesa Dontamsetti, M.S. in Business Analytics (Placement: Arrow Electronics)

Vicky Xia, M.S. in Business Analytics (Placement: Educational Measures)

Zoe Xu, M.S. in Business Analytics (Placement: JSR Micro)

Mengmeng Jin, M.S. in Business Analytics (Placement: Meituan-Dianping) Michael Cunningham, PinS Faculty-Undergraduate Grant (Placement: Expedia) Devin Delaney, PinS Faculty-Undergraduate Grant (Placement: Beverage Distributors)

Tori Richards, Independent Study (Placement: SalesScreen)

Leadership and Service

Editorial and Referee Work

2023-2024 Program Committee, INFORMS Conference of Information Systems and Technology

2020 Associated Editor, International Conference on Information Systems

2020-2023 Editorial Board, Cornell Hospitality Quarterly

2020 Discussant, Workshop on Information Systems and Economics 2016-2019 Discussant, China Summer Workshop on Information Management

2013-pres. Referee Invitations, Management Science, Information Systems Research, Production and

Operations Management, Journal of Management Information Systems, Journal of Strategic Information Systems, Cornell Hospitality Quarterly, The Service Industries Journal, Annuals of Tourism Research, Journal of Travel & Tourism Marketing, International Journal of Hospitality Management, International Journal of Contemporary Hospitality Management, Journal of Hospitality & Tourism Research, Journal of Hospitality and Tourism Technology, Journal of Hospitality and Tourism Insights, Journal of Foodservice Business Research, Advances in Hospitality and Leisure, Tourism Management, Asia Pacific Journal of Tourism Research, Journal of China Tourism Research, American Marketing Association Summer Conference (AMA), INFORMS Conference of Information Systems (ICIS), Workshop on Information Technologies and Systems (WITS), Academy of Management Annual Meeting (AoM), European Conference on Information Systems (ECIS), Pacific Asia Conference on Information Systems (PACIS)

External Services

2023 2022 2018-2023 2017 2016-2018 2014-2016 2011 2009-2010 2007-2008	External Letter Writer (Tenure and Promotion), Fudan University External Letter Writer (Tenure and Promotion), University of Florida MIT Technology Review Global Panel Editor Search Committee, JHTC Director of Research, West Federation CHRIE Director of Education, West Federation CHRIE Scribe, Marketing Science Institute and Wharton Customer Analytics Initiative Vice President, HFTP Hong Kong Chapter Organizing Committee, Shanghai Forum
	University Services
2023-pres. 2023-pres. 2019-2023 2021-2022 2021-2022 2020 2018-2019 2016-2017 2014-2019 2014-2019 2014-2017 2014-2015 2014	MSBAPM Committee, UConn School of Business PhD Qualifying Paper Committee, UConn School of Business Faculty Research Awards Committee, Daniels College of Business Panelist, Executive PhD Program, Daniels College of Business Burns Director Search Committee, School of Real Estate & Construction Management Online Course Policy Committee, Daniels College of Business Faculty Search Committee, Department of Business and Information Analytics Faculty Search Committee, Department of Business and Information Analytics Founding Faculty, Revenue Management & Analytics Concentration Advisory Board, International Business Major Review Committee, Student Travels and Scholarships Advisor, Department of Business and Information Analytics MSBA Capstone Marshal of Graduation Commencements Mentor, Daniels International Graduate Student Program Judge, World Business Challenge
2008-2010	Tutor-in-Residence, University Halls
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May 3, 2024 Apr 8, 2024 Aug 22,2023 Jun 20, 2022 Nov 16, 2021 Nov 4, 2021	Media Quotes Wall Street Journal, "The era of 'no-show' fees is here—and it's going to cost you" The Hour, "Are Airbnbs and other short-term rentals taking a bite out of Connecticut's housing supply?" UConn Today, "School of business welcomes four experienced faculty to its ranks" The New York Times, "Airbnb announces a permanent ban on parties" DebtHammer, "Survey: Will 2021 holiday spending plans leave Americans in debt?" Marketplace Morning Report, "Airbnb takes a more conciliatory approach to
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Oct 27, 2020	The New York Times, "Airbnb fights its 'Party House Problem'"
Oct 12, 2020	Daniels Press Release, "Faculty wins MSI award and grants from Facebook and Zillow"
Jul 30, 2020	WalletHub, "Ask the experts: Chase Sapphire Preferred card"
Jun 2, 2020	The New York Times (phone interview), "Airbnb amid COVID-19"
Jun 2, 2020	Daniels Press Release, "COVID-19 a near-term challenge for Airbnb"
May 12, 2020	Forbes, "How Airbnb hosts can survive the great reservation cancellation"
Feb 14, 2020	The Denver Post, "Frustrated Denver officials reject deal with Airbnb"
Jan 29, 2020	HospitalityNet, "Do travelers want to "access" or "share" a home-sharing facility?"
Jan 17, 2020	HospitalityNet," Are neighbors friends or foes? An analysis of Airbnb listings' agglomeration effect"
Dec 19, 2019	The Bridge, "How to protect yourself when booking short-term rentals?"
May 28, 2019	Daniels Press Release, "One common predictor of restaurant failure"
May 8, 2019	HospitalityNet, "Are consumers loyal to home-sharing services? Implications for hosts,
-	room-sharing sites, and hotels"
May 3, 2019	NBC News (phone interview) "Marriott entering short-term rentals"
Feb 18, 2019	Las Vegas Review Journal, "Las Vegas Strip resorts slow to welcome Alexa, Google Home Hub"
Jan 30, 2019	Business News Daily, "Responding to online reviews can help your business"
Nov 1, 2018	HospitalityNet,"Buyer-seller similarity: Does it matter in room-sharing business?"
Oct 30, 2018	MultiBriefs: Exclusive, "Want to get a room on Airbnb? Being 'similar' to the host may
	help"
Oct 27, 2018	HotelTechReport, "Research reported positive effects of Airbnbs price positioning on hotel performance"
Oct 19, 2018	RevenueHub, "Dynamic Pricing & Positioning on Airbnb: Multi-Unit Hosts Revenue Pros?"
Oct 17, 2018	MultiBriefs: Exclusive, "Price positioning on Airbnb: Are multi-unit hosts revenue pros?"
Oct 17, 2018	HospitalityNet,"Do price positioning and dynamic pricing work on Airbnb too?"
Jul 31, 2018	Daniels Press Release, "Airbnb increases revenue with mimicking hotels: New research
May 7, 2018	wins best paper award at International CHRIE conference" Denver Business Journal, "Denver ranks high on Airbnb's 'most hospitable cities' list"
Mar 13, 2018	MultiBriefs: Exclusive, "Attractive' enough to stay? Looking at similarity-attraction
	effects in room-sharing"
Mar 12, 2018	Hsyndicate.org, "Are buyer-seller similarities helpful in making sales on room-sharing websites?"
Feb 6, 2018	<i>IDeaS Revenue Solutions (YouTube channel),</i> "Industry insights from Cornell hospitality research summit"
Jan 4, 2018	HotelTechReport, "Research reported positive effects of Airbnb's price positioning on
,,,	hotel performance"
Nov 3, 2017	BizWomen,"Top spots to visit this winter"
Oct 31, 2017	WalletHub, "2017's best winter holiday destinations"
Sep 27, 2017	MultiBriefs: Exclusive, "Can Airbnb help hotels increase revenue?"
Sep 13, 2017	Tableau Blog, "Seven majors that surprisingly use data and Tableau"
Aug 14, 2017	Denver Business Journal, "Hosts with multiple Airbnb listings impact rental quality,
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Aug 14, 2017	Daniels Press Release, "Service quality declines if Airbnb hosts manage too many listings"
Jun 23, 2017	Daniels Press Release, "Karen Xie wins "Best Paper" award at global conference"
May 4, 2017	Wallet Hub, "No foreign transaction fee credit cards"
Apr 19, 2017	Daniels Press Release, "Interdisciplinary perspective on United Airlines"
Jan 31, 2017	MultiBriefs: Exclusive, "What we know about online reviews - and what we don't"
Jan 16, 2017	MultiBriefs: Exclusive, "Responses to online reviews should vary based on hotel class"
Nov 29, 2016	Colorado's Afternoon News on KOA NewsRadio 850AM 94.1FM (live radio streaming), "Websites for making last-minute holiday travel"
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Fall, 2016 Nov 30, 2015 Oct 4, 2016 Sep 30, 2016	Knoebel News (print magazine), "Getting to know Knoebel faculty" The CHRIE Communiqué, "Eyes on ethics in big data research" Tnooz, "In online reviews who responds and length of response are important" HospitalityNet, "Do hotel managers' responses to TripAdvisor reviews boost revenue? It
Sep 1, 2016	depends" KMRB AM1430 (live radio streaming), "What can hotel managers do to make online consumer reviews more helpful?"
Aug 31, 2016	<i>MultiBriefs: Exclusive,</i> "Online reviews: What can hotel managers do to make them more helpful?"
Jul 8, 2016	BizReport, "Study: Social isn't the selling tool some thing"
Jun 27, 2016	Business News Daily, "Hold your fire: When to respond to online reviews"
Jun 2, 2016	Daniels Press Release, "New research gives insight to businesses on how to respond to online reviews"
Winter 2016	DU Research & Scholarship Matters (print newsletter), "Rental by owner – a taxable industry?"
Feb 22, 2016	Denver Public Radio, "Study: Denver missing out on millions by not taxing short-term rentals"
Spring 2016	Research at Daniels (print magazine), "Maximizing customer conversion on the path to purchase"
Nov 30, 2015	The CHRIE Communiqué, "Flipping the classroom for discussion-type undergraduate class"
Winter 2014	Knoebel News (print magazine), "Flipping the classroom for discussion-type undergraduate class"
Oct 12, 2013	Fox News & Releases, "Interdisciplinary young scholars"
Mar 28, 2013	<i>Temple Now,</i> "Temple students ensure opportunities for tourism from China are not lost in translation"
Apr 27, 2012	Fox News & Releases, "Young scholars forum launches cutting-edge research, bridges disciplines"
Dec 12, 2012	Marketing Science Institute, "Marketing on the move: Understanding the impact of mobile on consumer behavior"
Dec 3, 2008	Travel Times, "Residents' positive perception of mega-events will support Shanghai World Expo"