# Li Yao

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#### **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

- Associate Professor, John Molson School of Business, Concordia University, present
  - Director of the MBA and Graduate Programs in Business Administration, 2021 present
- Assistant Professor, John Molson School of Business, Concordia University, 2011 2018

## ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

#### Education

- Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, U.S.A., 2006 2011
  Ph.D., Management, August 2011
  Major: Accounting; Minor: Finance
- Pace University, New York, NY, U.S.A., 2003 2006
  Graduate-level accounting courses, 2005 2006
  M.S., Investment Management, May 2005
- East China Normal University, Shanghai, China, 1993 1997
  B. Economics, July 1997

## Honours and Awards

- FARS Excellence in Reviewing Award, 2016
- American Accounting Association, Financial Accounting and Reporting Section (FARS), Scholarship, 2016
- Krannert Certificate for Distinguished Teaching, Purdue University, 2012
- AAA/Deloitte/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium Fellow, 2009
- Bilsland Dissertation Fellowship, 2009 2010
- Ross Fellowship, Purdue University, 2006 2007
- Research/Teaching Assistantship, Purdue University, 2006 2011

#### RESEARCH

# Publications (in chronological order starting from the most recently accepted)

- Chen, S., M. Magnan, Z. Tian & L. Yao "Do Adjustments Bring Auditors Peace of Mind? The Effect of Previous Audit Adjustments on Current-Year Audit Pricing", *Managerial Auditing Journal*, accepted manuscript.
- Naaman, C., M. Magnan, A. Hammami & L. Yao "Credit Unions vs. Commercial Banks, Who Takes More Risk?", *Research in International Business and Finance*, 2021, V (55), 101340
- Tang, M. & L. Yao., "The Impact of Economy-Wide Sentiment on Analysts' Research Activities", *Journal of Accounting, Auditing & Finance*, 2019, V34 (3) 385–410.
- Chen, C. L., J. B. Kim & L. Yao., "Earnings Smoothing: Does It Exacerbate or Constrain Stock Price Crash Risk?", *Journal of Corporate Finance*, 2017, V42, 36–54.
   Summarized in *CFA Digest*, 2017, V47 (9).

• Yao, L., "Earnings Persistence, Fundamentals, and Anticipation of Breaking Earnings Strings", *Canadian Journal of Administrative Sciences*, 2017, V34 (3), 260–276.

#### **Presentations**

- Canadian Academic Accounting Association Annual Conference, 2019, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2011, 2009
- American Accounting Association Annual Conference, 2019, 2016, 2015, 2011
- European Accounting Association Annual Congress, 2022, 2018, 2017
- Haskayne and Fox Accounting Conference, 2022
- Conference on Convergence of Financial and Managerial Accounting Research, 2019, 2016
- Telfer Annual Conference on Accounting and Finance, 2016
- CPA/University of Manitoba Accounting Research Conference, 2015
- University of Valencia (2020); University of Sherbrooke (2019); East China Normal University (2019); ESSEC Business School (2019); University of Lethbridge (2019); Chinese University of Hong Kong Shenzhen (2018); Jinan University International Capital Market Symposium (2018); Beijing Institute of Technology (2018); University of Padova (2018); Zhongnan University of Economics and Law (2017); Shanghai University of Finance and Economics (2016); Xiamen University (2016); McGill University (2016); The University of Hong Kong (2015); Shanghai Jiao Tong University (2015); Wilfrid Laurier University (2014); Fudan University (2019, 2013); City University of Hong Kong (2013); Hong Kong Baptist University (2017, 2016, 2013); University of Waterloo (2013); Queen's University (2013)

# Grant (funded)

- SSHRC Insight Grant, 2019 (Government of Canada)
- SSHRC Insight Development Grant, 2017 (Government of Canada)
- FQRSC Nouveaux Chercheurs Grant, 2013 (Government of Quebec)
- CPA Canada–CAAA Research Program, 2015
- Individual Seed Grant, John Molson School of Business, (Concordia University, 2017)
- CPA Research Centre in Accountability Grant (Concordia University, 2017, 2015)

### **TEACHING**

# Courses Taught

- Financial Reporting for Responsible Decision Making, Concordia University (2020 Fall present)
- Accounting Research: An Overview (PhD in Business Administration Seminar), Concordia University (2018– present, co-teach in 1/3)
- Accounting (Business Administration Graduate Diploma Program, 2021 Winter)
- Honours Seminar in Accountancy, Concordia University (2019 Winter)
- Financial Statement Analysis, Concordia University (2018, 2019, 2021, 2022 Winter)
- Financial Statement Analysis I (1<sup>st</sup> year MBA at the Goodman Institute), Concordia University (2017 Winter 2019 Winter, 2023 Winter)
- Financial Reporting IV (not-for-profit, government, integrated reporting, segment reporting, interim reporting, partnership, trust, and estate, etc.), Concordia University (2016 Winter 2017 Fall)

- Financial Accounting Theory, Concordia University (2013 Winter 2015 Fall; 2018 Fall)
- Introductory Financial Accounting, Concordia University (2011 Fall 2012 Fall)
- Introductory Financial Accounting, Purdue University (2011 Summer)
- Introductory Managerial Accounting (recitation sections), Purdue University (2007 Fall 2008 Spring)

# Course Coordinated

- Financial Reporting IV, Concordia University (2016 Summer 2018 Winter)
- Introductory Financial Accounting, Concordia University (2012 Fall 2014 Summer)

## **SERVICE**

# **University Service**

• Concordia University

Ph. D. Phase II/III Committee of four Ph. D. students in Accountancy Department Curriculum Review Committee, Hiring Committee, Ph.D. Committee, Research Committee, Tenure Committee Coordinator of Department Brown Bag Research Workshop

#### Academic Service

• Editorial:

Asian Review of Accounting, Editorial Advisory Board Member, 2018 – present

Ad-hoc Reviewer:

The British Accounting Review (2022); North American Journal of Economics and Finance (2021); Journal of Corporate Finance (2022, 2018); Corporate Governance: An International Review (2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018); Asia-Pacific Journal of Financial Studies (2017); Journal of Applied Accounting Research (2017); Asian Review of Accounting (2022, 2021x2, 2020, 2019x2, 2016); European Accounting Review (2016); Advances in Accounting (2015); Accounting and Business Research (2015); Asia-Pacific Journal of Accounting & Economics (2022, 2021x2, 2020, 2019, 2017, 2016, 2015); Managerial Finance (2018, 2015); Journal of Accounting, Auditing and Finance (2014); Canadian Journal of Administrative Sciences (2018, 2014)

• Grant Reviewer:

SSHRC Insight Grant, 2018

Chair of CAAA grant proposal sub-committee, 2016

• Ph.D. candidate external examiner

McGill University, 2020, 2015

• Discussant:

The 2019 Montreal Accounting Ph.D. Forum, 2019 (invited); The McGill Accounting Research Conference, 2019 (invited); China Journal of Accounting Studies Symposium, 2019 (invited); The 2019 Third Annual Global PhD Colloquium, Fordham University, 2019 (invited); China Journal of Accounting Research Symposium, 2018 (invited); Telfer Annual Conference on Accounting and Finance, 2018, 2017, 2016 (all invited); CAAA annual conference, 2019, 2014, 2013; AAA annual conference, 2011

• Reviewer:

CAAA annual conference, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010; AAA Financial Accounting and Reporting Section meeting, 2016, 2012, 2011; AAA annual conference, 2016, 2012. Northern Finance Association (NFA) conference, 2021, 2020, 2019.

Conference on Organizational Responsibility (Concordia University), 2022 Rethinking Responsibilities: Agents and Structures (Concordia University), 2018

• Moderator:

CAAA annual conference, 2021, 2013, 2011

• Conference Organizer:

CAAA annual conference, 2021, co-chair