

RASHA ASHRAF

J. Mack Robinson College of Business
Georgia State University
35 Broad Street, Suite 1238
Atlanta, GA 30303
Office Phone: (404)-413-7348
Email: rashraf@gsu.edu

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

J. Mack Robinson College of Business, Georgia State University (August 2009 – present)

Clinical Assistant Professor of Finance

J. Mack Robinson College of Business, Georgia State University (August 2007 – May 2009)

Visiting Assistant Professor of Finance

EDUCATION

Georgia Institute of Technology, College of Management (Atlanta, Georgia)

Ph.D. in Finance, 2007

Dissertation: *Three Essays on Institutional Investors and Corporate Governance*

Georgia Institute of Technology, College of Management (Atlanta, Georgia)

Master of Science in Quantitative and Computational Finance, 2007

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (Urbana, Illinois)

Master of Science in Industrial Engineering, 1998

Area of concentration: *Operations Research*

Thesis: *The Crew Recovery Problem in Airline Operations*

Bangladesh University of Engineering & Technology (Dhaka, Bangladesh)

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering, 1994

3rd rank in a class of 180.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Corporate Finance, Corporate Governance, Mergers and Acquisitions, Executive Compensation

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Scholarly

“Takeover Immunity, Takeovers, and the Market for Non-Executive Directors”

(with Rajesh Chakrabarti, Richard Fu, Narayanan Jayaraman)

Financial Management, Spring 2010, 83-127

“Do Pension-related Business Ties Influence Mutual Fund Proxy Voting? Evidence from Shareholder Proposals on Executive Compensation.”

(with Narayanan Jayaraman and Harley Ryan)

forthcoming in the *Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis, 2011.*

Refereed Professional/Practitioner

“Impact of Personality Types and Learning Styles on Performance of Finance Majors.”

(with Fendler, R. J., Shrikhande, M. M.)

forthcoming in the *Journal of Financial Education*

WORKING PAPERS

“Determinants and Consequences of Proxy Voting by Mutual Funds on Shareholder Proposals”

(with Narayanan Jayaraman)

“Institutional Investors’ Trading Behavior in Mergers & Acquisitions”

(with Narayanan Jayaraman)

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Effect of Mutual Fund Vote in Fund Flow” (with Vikas Agarwal and Harley Ryan)

“Director Withheld Votes and Market for Directors” (with Harley Ryan)

MEDIA CITATION

“Do Pension-related Business Ties Influence Mutual Fund Proxy Voting? Evidence from Shareholder Proposals on Executive Compensation.”

(with Narayanan Jayaraman and Harley Ryan)

Harvard Law School Forum on Corporate Governance and Financial Regulation, March 2011

Link: <http://blogs.law.harvard.edu/corpgov/2011/03/28/do-pension-related-business-ties-influence-mutual-fund-proxy-voting/>

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“Do Pension-related Business Ties Influence Mutual Fund Proxy Voting? Evidence from Shareholder Proposals on Executive Compensation.”

- Financial Management Association (FMA) Reno, NV, October 2009
- Capital Matters: Managing Labor's Capital Conference, April 2009: Pensions and Capital Stewardship Project, Labor and Worklife Program, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA. (INT)

“Institutional Investors’ Trading Behavior in Mergers & Acquisitions”

- American Finance Association (AFA) Meeting, Chicago, January 2007
- FMA European Conference, Stockholm, June 2006
- Indian School of Business (ISB) Conference, Hyderabad, India, December 2005
- Financial Management Association (FMA) Meeting, Chicago, September 2005

“Determinants and Consequences of Proxy Voting by Mutual Funds on Shareholder Proposals”

- Financial Management Association (FMA) Meeting, Orlando, October 2007
- FMA European Conference, Barcelona, June 2007
- NTU International Conference of Finance, November 2006

“Takeover Immunity, Takeovers, and the Market for Non-Executive Directors”

- Financial Management Association (FMA) Meeting, Salt Lake City, October 2006
- FMA European Conference, Stockholm, June 2006

“Impact of Personality Types and Learning Styles on Performance of Finance Majors.”

- Financial Education Association Conference, Financial Education Association, Ft. Lauderdale, FL.
September 2009

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Georgia State University

Fundamentals of Valuation – Fall 2007, Spring 2008, Fall 2008, Spring 2009, Fall 2009, Spring 2010, Fall 2010, Spring 2011, Fall 2011

Financial Analysis and Introduction to Loan Structuring – Fall 2009, Spring 2010, Fall 2010, Spring 2011, Fall 2011

Georgia Tech

Financial Management – Spring 2004, Spring 2005, Fall 2005, Spring 2007: Primary Instructor of an Undergraduate Core Course.

Teaching Assistant: Security Valuation, Derivative Securities, Management of Financial Institutions, Investments

Bangladesh University of Engineering & Technology

Lecturer, Taught undergraduate courses and labs in Mechanical Engineering, January 1994 – August 1995

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Service Activities Internal to the University

Recruiting Committee for Non-Tenure Track Professor and Lecturer for Finance Department, 2011

Recruiting Committee for Tenure Track Professor for Finance Department, 2010

Conducted mock interviews for graduating Ph.D. students in Finance Department, Fall 2010, Fall 2011

Search Committee for Non-tenure Track Lecturer, Fall 2009

Course Coordinator of Fundamentals of Valuation, August 2009 – Present.

Represented the department at the commencement ceremony, Fall 2007, Spring 2008, Fall 2009, Fall 2010

Represented the department at the Panther Preview, Fall 2008, Fall 2009, Fall 2010, Fall 2011

Represented the department at the Major Fair, Spring 2011

Represented the department at the RCB Open House, Spring 2011

Represented the department at the Undergraduate Retention Task Force Committee, Fall 2011

Service Activities in Academic and Profession Organizations

Discussant at the 2007 Financial Management Association (FMA) Annual Meetings.

Discussant at the 2008 Financial Management Association (FMA) Annual Meetings.

Program Committee, Financial Management Association (FMA) Annual Meetings, 2009: Review papers for the program.

Discussant at the 2010 Financial Management Association (FMA) Annual Meetings.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Finance Association
- Financial Management Association

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

United Airlines, Research & Development (Chicago, Illinois)

Analyst (March 1998 – March 2000)

Designed, developed and implemented an integrated application for real time automated flight planning for United Airlines' international market.

Senior Analyst (April 2000 – August 2000)

Played a leadership role in the system wide development and implementation of the international flight planning application.
