

# Manish Jha

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## Employment

### Georgia State University

Assistant Professor of Finance, 2021 - present

## Education

### Washington University in St. Louis

PhD in Finance, 2016–2021

Advisors: Radha Gopalan, Todd Gormley (chair), Asaf Manela

### Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur

Bachelors in Technology, 2008–2012

## Research Interests

Corporate Governance, Financial Technology, Machine Learning, Text Analysis

## Forthcoming/ Published Papers

### 1. Natural Disaster Effects on Popular Sentiment toward Finance with *Hongyi Liu*, and *Asaf Manela*

Forthcoming 2021, *Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis (JFQA)*

Presented at COVID Symposium, JFQA

Links: [JFQA](#), [SSRN](#)

## Working Papers

### 1. **Catching the Conscience of Kings: How Activists Pander Mutual Funds**

Media: [Promarket](#)

Presented at: Eastern Finance Association, Georgia State University, Midwest Finance Association, Stanford Rising Scholars Conference, Stevens Institute of Technology, University of North Texas, Virginia Tech, Washington University in St. Louis

### 2. **Does finance benefit society? A language embedding approach** with *Hongyi Liu*, and *Asaf Manela*

Media: [Bloomberg](#), [Promarket](#), [Washington Post](#)

Presented at: Greater China Area Finance Conference, Norwegian School of Economics, Virtual Finance Seminar (Michigan State, UI Chicago), Volatility Institute at NYU Shanghai, Washington University in St. Louis

### 3. **Bonds Lie in the Portfolio of the Beholder: Do Bonds Affect Equity Monitoring?** with *Todd Gormley*

Presented at: Financial Research Association Conference (early ideas)

## Seminars

2021 February, **Stevens Institute of Technology**: Catching the Conscience of Kings

2021 February, **Georgia State University**: Catching the Conscience of Kings

2021 January, **Virginia Tech**: Catching the Conscience of Kings

2020 December, **University of North Texas**: Catching the Conscience of Kings

2020 June, **Washington University in St. Louis**: Catching the Conscience of Kings

## Conference Presentations

2021 April, **COVID Symposium, JFQA**: Natural Disaster Effects on Popular Sentiment toward Finance

2021 April, **Eastern Finance Association**: Catching the Conscience of Kings

2021 March, **Midwest Finance Association**: Catching the Conscience of Kings

2020 October, **Stanford Rising Scholars Conference**: Catching the Conscience of Kings

## Conference Discussions

2021 April, **Eastern Finance Association**: Macroeconomic Information Flow within Mutual Fund Families; Pei Zhang, University of Kansas

## Media

2020 December, **Promarket**: Barking Up the Right Tree - How Shareholder Activists Raise Issues to Placate Large Mutual Funds

2020 August, **Bloomberg, Washington Post**: Can the Finance Industry Be Trusted This Time?

2020 July, **Promarket**: Do People Think Finance Benefits Society?

## Teaching

### Georgia State University

FI 4020: Financial Analysis and Introduction to Loan Structuring (2021)

### Washington University in St Louis

Teaching Assistant

Empirical Methods in Finance (PhD Level, 2019)

Advanced Corporate Finance: Financing, Mergers & Acquisitions, Valuation (2017–2021)

Asset Pricing: Investment Theory, Options & Futures (2017)

### Volunteer Tutor

Each One Teach One, St. Louis Elementary School (2018)

HSBC Financial Skills Exchange Program, Bangalore (2016)

## **Non-Academic Employment**

### **Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (HSBC)**

Sovereign Bond Research, 2014–2016

### **Reliance Industries**

Options Trading, 2012–2014

### **Tata Steel**

Mineral Processing Research, 2011

## **Miscellaneous**

Citizenship: Indian (H1B Visa)

Languages: English, Hindi, Maithili

### **Programming**

Courses: Deep Learning, Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Tensorflow, Text Analysis

Languages: C/C++, CSS, HTML, Java, JavaScript, Julia, Matlab, Mathematica, PHP, Python, SAS, SQL, Stata, Visual Basic

Cloud infrastructure: High Performance Computing, Software Containers

### **Certifications**

Financial Risk Manager (FRM)

Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA), Level II

Institute of Actuaries of India: Mathematics & Statistics, Business Economics

### **Awards & Fellowships**

Euromoney excellence award for HSBC research team, 2015

State rank one in all India engineering exam, 2008

Super30 scholarship, 2007–2008