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### **Academic Employment**

Education	
1997-2001	Assistant Professor, David Eccles School of Business, University of Utah
2001-2005	Assistant Professor, Owen Graduate School of Management, Vanderbilt University
2005-2010	Associate Professor, Owen Graduate School of Management, Vanderbilt University
2010-	Professor, Owen Graduate School of Management, Vanderbilt University

## Education

1997	Ph.D. in Finance, Fuqua School of Business, Duke University
1993	M.B.A, Fuqua School of Business, Duke University
1988	B.A. in Physics, minor in Economics, Cornell University

## **Publications**

- 1. Bollen, N.P., and B. Sensoy (2022) How much for a haircut? Illiquidity, secondary markets, and the value of private equity. **Financial Management** 51, 501-538.
- 2. Bollen, N.P., Joenväärä, J., and M. Kauppila (2021). Hedge fund performance: End of an era? **Financial Analysts Journal** 77, 109-132.
- 3. Bollen, N.P., Hutchinson, M., and J. O'Brien (2021). When it pays to follow the crowd: Strategy conformity and CTA performance. **Journal of Futures Markets** 41, 875-894.
- 4. Posavac, S., M. Ratchford, N.P. Bollen, and D. Sanbonmatsu (2019). Premature infatuation and commitment in individual investing decisions. **Journal of Economic Psychology** 72, 245-259.
- 5. Bollen, N.P., and S. Posovac (2018). Gender, risk tolerance, and false consensus in asset allocation recommendations. Journal of Banking and Finance 87, 304-317.
- 6. Bollen, N.P., M. O'Neill, and R.E. Whaley (2017). Tail wags dog? Price discovery in VIX markets. Journal of Futures Markets 37, 431-451.
- 7. Bollen, N.P., and R.E. Whaley (2015). Futures market volatility: What has changed? **Journal** of Futures Markets 35, 426-454.

- 8. Bollen, N.P. (2013). Zero-*R*<sup>2</sup> hedge funds and market neutrality. Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis 48, 519-547.
- 9. Bollen, N.P., and G. Fisher. (2013). Send in the clones? Hedge fund replication using futures contracts. **Journal of Alternative Investments** 16, 80-95.
- 10. Bollen, N.P., and V.K. Pool. (2012). Suspicious patterns in hedge fund returns and the risk of fraud. **Review of Financial Studies** 25, 2673-2702.
- 11. Bollen, N.P. (2011). The financial crisis and hedge fund returns. **Review of Derivatives Research** 14, 117-135.
- 12. Ang, A., and N.P. Bollen. (2010). Locked up by a lockup: Valuing liquidity as a real option. **Financial Management** 39, 1069-1095.
- 13. Bollen, N.P., and V.K. Pool. (2009). Do hedge fund managers misreport returns? Evidence from the pooled distribution. **Journal of Finance** 64, 2257-2288.
- 14. Bollen, N.P., and W. Christie. (2009). Market microstructure of the Pink Sheets. Journal of Banking and Finance 33, 1326-1339.
- 15. Bollen, N.P., and R.E. Whaley. (2009). Hedge fund risk dynamics: Implications for performance appraisal. **Journal of Finance** 64, 987-1037.
- 16. Bollen, N.P., and V.K. Pool. (2008). Conditional return smoothing in the hedge fund industry. **Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis** 43, 267-298 (lead article).
- 17. Bollen, N.P. (2007). Mutual fund attributes and investor behavior. Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis 42, 683-708.
- 18. Bollen, N.P., and J.A. Busse. (2006). Tick size and institutional trading costs: Evidence from mutual funds. Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis 41, 915-937.
- 19. Bollen, N.P., and J.A. Busse. (2005). Short-term persistence in mutual fund performance. **Review of Financial Studies** 18, 569-597.
- 20. Bollen, N.P., and R.E. Whaley. (2004). Does net buying pressure affect the shape of implied volatility functions? **Journal of Finance** 59, 711-753. Nominated for Smith Breeden prize.
- 21. Bollen, N.P., T. Smith, and R.E. Whaley. (2004). Modeling the bid/ask spread: Measuring the inventory-holding premium. Journal of Financial Economics 72, 97-141.
- 22. Bollen, N.P., T. Smith, and R.E. Whaley. (2003). Optimal tick size: For whom? Journal of Futures Markets 23, 719-750.
- Bollen, N.P., and E. Raisel. (2003). The performance of alternative option valuation models in the OTC currency options market. Journal of International Money and Finance 22, 33-64.

- 24. Bollen, N.P., and J.A. Busse. (2001). On the timing ability of mutual fund managers. **Journal of Finance** 56, 1075-1094.
- 25. Bollen, N.P., S.F. Gray, and R.E. Whaley. (2000). Regime switching in foreign exchange rates: Evidence from currency options. **Journal of Econometrics** 94, 239-276.
- 26. Bollen, N.P. (1999). Real options and product life cycles. **Management Science** 45, 670-684.
- 27. Bollen, N.P., and R.E. Whaley. (1999). Do expirations of Hang Seng Index derivatives affect stock market volatility? **Pacific Basin Finance Journal** 7, 453-470.
- 28. Bollen, N.P. (1998). A note on the impact of options on stock return volatility. Journal of Banking and Finance 22, 1181-1191.
- 29. Bollen, N.P., and R.E. Whaley. (1998). Are teenies better? Journal of Portfolio Management 25, 10-24.
- 30. Bollen, N.P. (1998). Valuing options in regime-switching models. Journal of Derivatives 6, 38-49.
- Bollen, N.P., and R.E. Whaley. (1998). Simulating supply. Risk 11, 143-147. Reprinted in Corporate Hedging in Theory and Practice: A Metallgesellschaft Reader, C.L. Culp and M.H. Miller (Editors), RISK Books, London, England, 1999.
- 32. Bollen, N.P. (1997). Derivatives and the price of risk. Journal of Futures Markets 17, 839-854.

### **Working Papers**

- 33. Bollen, N.P., Joenväärä, J., and M. Kauppila. (2023). The decline of hedge fund performance persistence. **Critical Finance Review**, second round.
- 34. Bollen, N.P. (2023). Saving investors from themselves: The benefit of suboptimal target date funds.

### **Book Chapter**

35. Bollen, N.P. (2020). Predicting hedge fund fraud. In D. Cumming & G. Wood (Eds.), *Oxford Handbook of Hedge Funds*. Oxford University Press.

### **Awards and Honors**

2018	Nominated for the James A. Webb, Jr. Award for Excellence in Teaching
2010	Distinguished Referee Award, Review of Financial Studies
2009	Research Impact Award, Vanderbilt University
2007	E. Bronson Ingram Associate Professor of Finance, Vanderbilt University
2005	Research Productivity Award, Vanderbilt University
2004	Smith Breeden Prize Nomination for "Does net buying pressure affect the shape
	of implied volatility functions?" Journal of Finance

2004	Moskowitz Prize Honorable Mention for "Mutual fund attributes and investor behavior," Social Investment Forum
2003	Dean's Award for Research Impact, Vanderbilt University
2000	Jake Garn Emerging Scholar, University of Utah
1999	David Eccles Faculty Award, University of Utah
1997	Robert M. Burger Fellow, Semiconductor Research Corporation
1995	Best Paper in Futures or Options on Futures Award for "A note on the impact of options on stock return volatility," FMA Annual Meeting
1993	Fuqua Scholar, Duke University
1991-1993	Hines Memorial Scholar, Duke University
1988	Graduated with Distinction, Cornell University
1985-1988	Cornell Tradition Fellow, Cornell University

# **Research Grants**

2015	Risk Institute, Fisher College of Business \$10,000
2011	Gerstein Fisher Research Center \$35,000
2009	Centre for Hedge Fund Research at Imperial College London £5,000
2005	Foundation for Managed Derivatives Research \$20,000
2005	Financial Markets Research Center \$5,000

# **Invited Seminars**

2021	Texas A&M, U. of Arizona
2019	Colorado College, Aalto U., U. of Oulu
2018	Boston College, Northeastern University
2017	U. of Mississippi
2015	U. of Arizona, Georgia State U., U. of Kentucky
2014	U. of Utah
2013	U. of Texas at Dallas, Southern Methodist University
2012	College of William and Mary
2011	U. of Venice
2010	SUNY Buffalo, U. of Hong Kong, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Nanyang Technological University, National University of Singapore, Singapore Management University
2009	American University, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Institute for Financial Research (Stockholm), Rice University, U. of Warwick
2008	Cornell University, U. of Mississippi, Virginia Tech
2007	Georgetown University, Indiana University, U. of Massachusetts
2006	Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Emory University
2005	Louisiana State University, U. of Missouri
2004	Duke University
2003	U. of Colorado, U. of Oklahoma

2001	Georgetown University, U. of Maryland
2000	Vanderbilt University
1997	Indiana University, Southern Methodist University, U. of Iowa, U. of Utah

# **Conference Participation**

2023	Discussant, Northeastern University Finance Conference, Boston
2023	Discussant and Session Chair, Eastern Finance Association Annual Meeting, Asheville, NC
2023	Presented "Are Hot Hands in Hedge Funds Still Warm?" at the 14 <sup>th</sup> Annual Hedge Fund Research Conference, Paris
2022	Session Chair, FMA Annual Meeting, Atlanta
2022	Panelist, Doctoral Consortium, FMA Annual Meeting, Atlanta
2022	Discussant, Young Scholars Finance Consortium, College Station, TX
2020	Discussant, Fixed Income and Financial Institutions Conference
2020	Keynote address, FMA Consortium on Professional Asset Management, Cambridge
2020	Discussant, 11 <sup>th</sup> Annual Hedge Fund and Private Equity Research Conference, Paris
2020	Discussant, AFA Annual Meeting, San Diego
2018	Keynote address, GARC conference, Boston
2018	Co-author presented "Hedge fund performance prediction" at the FMA Meeting, San Diego
2018	Discussant, GSU CEAR-Finance Conference on Recent Advances in Delegated Portfolio Management
2018	Presented "Hedge fund performance prediction" at the 10 <sup>th</sup> Annual Hedge Fund and Private Equity Research Conference, Paris
2018	Presented "Hedge fund performance prediction" at the Midwest Finance Association Meeting, San Antonio
2017	Presented "Hedge fund performance prediction" at the Chicago Alternative Investments Research Conference
2017	Keynote address, GARC conference, Boston
2016	Co-author presented "How much for a haircut?" at the AFA Annual Meeting, San Francisco
2015	Presented "How much for a haircut?" at the 4 <sup>th</sup> Luxembourg Asset Management Summit, LSF; discussant
2015	Co-author presented "How much for a haircut?" at the 8 <sup>th</sup> Private Equity Symposium, LBS
2014	Presented "Volatility What Has Changed?" at the FMA Annual Meeting, Nashville; session chair and discussant
2013	Discussant, WFA Annual Meeting, Lake Tahoe
2013	Discussant, Conference on Institutional Investors, Georgia State University
2013	Session Chair, AFA Annual Meeting, San Diego

2012	Presented "Can You Clone the Hedge Fund Experience" at the UNC Global Private Investment Conference, Chapel Hill, NC
2012	Panelist, EFMA Annual Meeting, Barcelona
2012	Discussant, WFA Annual Meeting, Las Vegas
2012	Session Chair, SFS Finance Cavalcade
2012	Discussant, AFA Annual Meeting, Chicago
2011	Discussant, ICI/AIM Mutual Funds Conference, UT Austin
2011	Program Chair, FMRC Conference on Hedge Funds, Vanderbilt University
2011	Discussant, WFA Annual Meeting, Sante Fe
2011	Presented "Hedge fund $R^2$ : What's Under the Hood?" at the Conference on Professional Asset Management, Erasmus University, Rotterdam, the Netherlands
2011	Presented "Hedge fund $R^2$ : What's Under the Hood?" at the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference on Hedge Funds, Paris
2009	Discussant, Australian National University Summer Research Camp
2009	Presented "Predicting hedge fund fraud" at the Oxford-Man Institute Hedge Fund Conference, Oxford University
2009	Discussant, WFA Annual Meeting, San Diego
2009	Presented "Locked up by a lockup" at the Conference on Professional Asset Management, Erasmus University, Rotterdam, the Netherlands
2009	Presented "Locked up by a lockup" at the 1 <sup>st</sup> Annual Conference on the Econometrics of Hedge Funds, Paris
2008	Co-author presented "Do hedge fund managers misreport returns?" at the WFA Annual Meeting, Hawaii
2008	Presented "Do hedge fund managers misreport returns?" at the Oxford University Financial Research Summer Symposium
2008	Presented "Hedge fund risk dynamics" at the AFA Annual Meeting, New Orleans
2007	Discussant, WFA Annual Meeting, Big Sky, Montana
2007	Presented "Hedge fund risk dynamics" at the Financial Econometrics Conference, University of Waterloo, Ontario, Canada
2007	Presented "Hedge fund risk dynamics" at the Conference on Professional Asset Management, Erasmus University, Rotterdam, the Netherlands
2006	Presented "Hedge fund risk dynamics" at the SEA Annual Meeting, Charleston, SC
2006	Discussant, NBER Microstructure Conference, Cambridge, MA
2005	Discussant, 16 <sup>th</sup> Annual Financial Economics and Accounting Conference, Chapel Hill, NC
2005	Presented "Mutual fund attributes and investor behavior" at the FMA Annual Meeting, Chicago
2005	Session Chair and Discussant, FMA Annual Meeting, Chicago
2005	Presented "Screening for fraud in the hedge fund industry" at the Conference on Probability, Financial Derivatives, and Asset Pricing, UVA
2005	Presented "Mutual fund attributes and investor behavior" at the EFA Annual

	Meeting, Norfolk, VA
2005	Discussant, WFA Annual Meeting, Portland
2005	Discussant, AFA Annual Meeting, Philadelphia
2004	Panelist, Doctoral Consortium, FMA Annual Meeting, New Orleans
2004	Discussant, FMA Annual Meeting, New Orleans
2003	Presented "Common Cents? Tick size, trading costs, and mutual fund performance" at the WFA Annual Meeting, Los Cabos, Mexico
2003	Presented "Does net buying pressure affect the shape of implied volatility functions?" at the AFA Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.
2002	Presented "The performance of alternative option valuation models in the OTC currency options market" at Cornell University's Annual Derivatives Conference
2001	Co-author presented "Short-term persistence in mutual fund performance" at the WFA Annual Meeting, Tucson
2001	Discussant, AFA Annual Meeting, New Orleans
2000	Discussant, Conference on Risk-Neutral and Objective Probability Distributions, Duke University
2000	Co-author presented "On the timing ability of mutual fund managers" at the European Finance Association Annual Meeting, London
1999	Discussant, AFA Annual Meeting, New York
1998	Presented "Real options and product life cycles" at the Montreal INFORMs
1998	Presented "Real options and product life cycles" at the FMA Annual Meeting, Chicago
1995	Presented "The impact of option introductions on stock return volatility" at the FMA Annual Meeting, New York

# Service at Vanderbilt University

University	
2017-2020	Faculty Senator
2015-2016	Member, TIPS Review Panel
2013	Member, Owen Graduate School of Management Dean Search Committee
School	
2011-2019	Member, Faculty Scholarship Committee
2011-present	Member, MAcc Program Committee
2011-2012	Member, Accounting Recruiting Committee
2010-2013	Member, MBA Program Committee
2010-present	Member, MSF Program Committee
2010-present	Faculty Director, MSF Program
2007-2009	Director, MSF Program
2007-2009	Member, Curriculum Committee

### Department

2013-2016	Area Coordinator
2013	Member, RPT Committee
2012-2013	Chair, Finance Recruiting Committee
2011	Chair, FMRC Hedge Funds Conference
2007	Member, RPT Committee

### Service at the University of Utah

School	
2000-2001	Member, University of Utah Business Alumni Association
1999-2001	Director, Finance PhD Program
Department	
1999-2001	Member, Huntsman Chair Search Committee

### **Professional Service**

Associate Editor: *Journal of Banking and Finance* (2015 – present), *Journal of Financial Econometrics* (2012 – 2018), *International Review of Finance* (2009 – 2019)

Program Committee: Western Finance Association (2007 – present), American Finance Association (2006 – present), Professional Asset Management Conference (2010 – present)

Referee: Journal of Finance, Review of Financial Studies, Journal of Financial Economics, Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis, National Science Foundation, and many others

## **Doctoral Dissertation Committees**

Daejin Kim (2014)	Placement: Ulsan National Institute of Science and Technology
Joop Huij (2007)	Placement: Erasmus University
Veronika Krepely (2006)	Placement: University of Indiana
Rajarishi Nahata (2004)	Placement: Baruch College
Xi Li (2002)	Placement: University of Miami
Keith Jacob (2000)	Placement: University of Montana

### **External Examinations of Doctoral Dissertations**

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#### **Representative Media Mentions**

- Morningstar, 13 February 2023, "Are Hedge Funds Now Worth Considering?" John Rekenthaler.
- *Forbes*, 30 June 2021, "This Study Proves Hedge Fund Performance Has Worsened In Recent Years" Jacob Wolinsky.
- Institutional Investor, 24 May 2021, "How Regulators Killed Hedge Funds" Julie Segal.
- *Financial Times*, 23 April 2018, "A Complex Analysis Reaches Same Conclusion as Simple One: Hedge Funds Suck" Dan McCrum.
- CNBC, 17 September 2014, "CalPERS Hedge Exit May Be the First of Many" Kate Kelly.
- L'agefi Hebdo, 20 June 2013, "Hedge Funds Vigilance Accrue" Xavier Diaz, p. 15.
- *NPR Marketplace*, 5 December 2012, "Shrunken Nobel Prizes to depend more on hedge funds" Sarah Gardner.
- *CNBC*, 28 August 2012, "Paulson Faces Scrutiny From Bank of America and Other Investors" Kate Kelly.
- *Reuters*, 23 February 2011, "Special report: Is Stevie Cohen the Feds' Moby Dick?" Matthew Goldstein and Svea Herbst-Bayliss.
- *Wall Street Journal*, 14 January 2011, "Hedge funds' pack behavior amplifies swings in the market," Jenny Strasburg and Susan Pulliam, p. A1,
- Financial Times, 19 November 2010, "Something for the weekend," Linda Anderson.
- *Reuters*, 16 September 2010, "Sustainability indexes lack own transparency," Ross Kerber. *The Economist*, 12 October 2009, "Hedge fund numbers."
- Bloomberg News, 9 April 2008, "Hedge funds come unstuck on truth-twisting, lies," Matthew Lynn. Reprinted in Panic, 2009, Michael Lewis, p.356
- *Wall Street Journal*, 9 October 2007, "Pricing tactics of hedge funds under spotlight," David Reilly, p. C1
- Wall Street Journal, 3 August 2005, "Helping your portfolio," Jonathan Clements, p. D1
- New York Times, 16 May 2003, "Decimalization under attack on Wall St.," Floyd Norris, p. C1
- *Financial Times*, 7 May 2003, "Pennies prove expensive for some investors," Lauren Foster, p. 23

Barron's, 3 March 2003, "Wall Street meets K Street," Erin Arvedlun, p. F2

- *Financial Times*, 25 November/26 November 2000, "Getting ahead with a sixth sense," Alison Beard, p. 26
- Barron's, 25 September 2000, "Do as I say, not as I do," Michael Santoli, p. F3