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# **EDUCATION**

Expected 2015	University of Houston, Houston, TX Ph.D. in Business Administration, emphasis in Strategic Management
	Dissertation: Toward an Attention-based Model of CEO and Innovation
	Committee: Laura B. Cardinal (Chair) C. Chet Miller Carla D. Jones (Sam Houston State University) Donald E. Hatfield (Virginia Tech)
2009	<b>University of Florida</b> , Gainesville, FL M.S. in Information Systems and Operations Management
2006	South China Agricultural University, Guangzhou, China B.E. in Food Science and Technology

## **SCHOLARSHIP ACTIVITIES**

#### **Research Interests**

- Strategic leadership
- Corporate governance
- Technological innovation

## **Courses Taught**

Undergraduate: Introduction to Management (Spring 2012, Fall 2012)

# **Research Assistantship**

Graduate Research Assistant for Dr. Laura B. Cardinal	Fall 2010 – Present
Graduate Research Assistant for Dr. Carla D. Jones	Spring 2010 – Present
Graduate Research Assistant for Dr. Seemantini Pathak	Spring 2010 – Fall 2010

#### Journal Publications

Jones, C. D., Li, M., & Cannella, A. A. Response to a Governance Mandate: The Adoption of Governance Committees by NYSE Firms. *In press Journal of Management*.

We study how New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) firms adopted governance committees on their board of directors. The drive to adopt started as a social movement, but was facilitated greatly by the collapse of Enron Corporation and a subsequent mandate by the NYSE that all of its traded firms must have governance committees. Using institutional theory and a sample of NYSE firms, we develop and test hypotheses about the rate of governance committee adoption, the likelihood of committee adoption by the NYSE deadline, and the types of directors that were placed on the inaugural governance committee. Our study adds to theory about how organizations respond to external pressures when responding is contrary to the interests of executives.

#### **Conference Presentations**

Samba, C., Pathak, S., & Li, M. 2014. Effects of Diversity in Board's Audit Committee on Financial Restatements. *Paper to be presented at the* Southern Management Association Annual Meeting, Savannah, GA.

Li, M., Hatfield, D. E., & Cardinal, L. B. 2013. Do CEOs Matter? CEO Tenure Effects on Firm Innovation and Stock Market Performance." Paper presented at the Strategic Management Society Conference, Atlanta, GA, 2013.

Li, M., Cardinal, L. B., & Hatfield, D. E. 2012. An Examination of CEO Tenure Effects on Firm Invention: The Role of Managerial Discretion. Paper presented at the Academy of Management Conference, Boston, MA, 2012.

Li, M. & Cardinal, L. B. 2012. Innovation and Firm Discretion: Do CEOs Matter? Paper presented at the Strategic Management Society Conference, Prague, Czech Republic, 2012.

Li, M. 2011. Process Innovation, Product Innovation, and Organizational Performance. Paper presented at the Southwest Academy of Management Annual Conference, Houston, TX, 2011.

## Manuscripts Under Review

Jones, C. D., Carmeli, A., Cannella, A. A., & Li, M. Linking Top Management Team Vertical and Horizontal Heterogeneity to Competitive Behaviors and Firm Performance.

## Working Papers

Li, M., Hatfield, D. E., & Cardinal, L. B. Torn between Two Risks: Does Discretion Moderate the Risk Propensity of CEO Choice? Submission in process.

Samba, C., Pathak, S., & Li, M. Gender Diversity of US Boards' Audit Committee and Ethical Decision-Making. Submission in process.

Li, M., Cardinal, L. B., & Hatfield, D. E. Managerial Discretion – A Review and Agenda for Future Research. First draft completed.

# PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIP

#### Membership in Professional Societies

- Academy of Management
- Strategic Management Society
- Southern Management Association

#### **Conference Reviewer Activities**

- Academy of Management Annual Conference
  - o Division: Business Policy and Strategy (2010, 2011, 2013, 2014)
  - o Division: Organization and Management Theory (2013)
- Strategic Management Society Annual International Conference
  Track J: Strategy Practice (2014)
  - Track O: Strategic Leadership and Governance (2013, 2014)
- Strategic Management Society Singapore Special Conference
  - Track A: Process: Innovation Processes within Firms (2012)
- Southern Management Association Annual Meeting (2014)

#### **Doctoral Consortia Activities**

- 2013 BPS Dissertation Consortium at the Academy of Management Conference
- 2013 Annual Doctoral Workshop at the Strategic Management Society Conference
- 2013 Annual Doctoral Student Consortium at the Southern Management Association

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- Research Excellence Doctoral Student Award in Management (2013)
- University of Houston Presidential Fellowship (2009 2011)
- Beta Gamma Sigma Highest Academic Honor for Business Students (2009)

#### **INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE**

Aug. 2008 – Dec. 2008	System Analyst Intern	
	Enterprise Systems, Gainesville,	, FL

Worked in the IT auditing team to evaluate and test a major enterprise resource planning system upgrade

# June 2006 – June 2007 Investment Advisor Industrial Securities, Co., Ltd., Shenzhen, China Analyzed customers' investment portfolios and provided investment advice. Maintained existing customer relationships and developed new customers.