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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

August 2007-onwards **Georgia Institute of Technology** Atlanta, GA
Assistant Professor of Finance

EDUCATION

2002-2007	INSEAD Ph.D. in Finance Dissertation: Essays in Corporate Finance	Fontainebleau, France
1999-2001	University of Illinois M.S.	Urbana-Champaign, IL
1998-1999	University of Michigan M.S.	Ann Arbor, MI
1993-1998	Regional Engineering College B.Arch. (with <i>Honours</i>)	Jaipur, India

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Corporate Governance
- Financial Institutions
- International Finance

PUBLISHED and WORKING PAPERS

- Dass, Nishant, Massimo Massa, and Rajdeep Patgiri (2008), "Mutual Funds and Bubbles: The surprising role of contractual incentives," *Review of Financial Studies*, vol. 21 (1), p. 51-99.
- Dass, Nishant, and Massimo Massa (*forthcoming*), "The Impact of Strong Bank-Firm Relationship on the Borrowing Firm," *Review of Financial Studies*
 - Formerly titled: "The Bank-Firm Relationship: A trade-off between better governance and greater information asymmetry"
- Dass, Nishant, Cheol S. Eun, and Jinsoo Lee, "Evolution of Earnings-to-Price Ratio: International Evidence"

- Dass, Nishant, “Why are firms value or growth?”
- Dass, Nishant, Massimo Massa, and Urs Peyer, “Why Do CEOs Increase Their Equity-Based Compensation? Because they have to.”
- Dass, Nishant, and Massimo Massa, “Determinants of bond-holdings of financial institutions”
- Dass, Nishant, Pushan Dutt, and Ilian Mihov, “Institutions and Stock-Market Correlations”

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Georgia Tech, College of Management

Atlanta, GA

Spring 2008

- Developed a new curriculum for Multinational Financial Management based on business case-studies
- Multinational Financial Management (elective in Finance)
MBA Evaluations: 4.7/5.0; Undergraduate Evaluations: 4.2/5.0

INSEAD

Fontainebleau, France

Jan-Feb 2005

- Tutor for Financial Markets and Valuation (core MBA course in Finance)

Sep-Oct 2005

- Tutor for Financial Markets and Valuation (core MBA course in Finance)

University of Illinois

Urbana-Champaign, IL

1999-2001

- Teaching Assistant

AWARDS and HONORS

2002-2007 PhD Fellowship, INSEAD
 1999-2001 James Webb Young Fellow, University of Illinois
 1998-1999 Doctoral Program Scholarship, University of Michigan
 1989 and 1991 Certificates of merit, Mathematics Olympiad

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Conferences:

“The Bank-Firm Relationship: A trade-off between better governance and greater information asymmetry”

- 7th All-Georgia Finance conference at the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (October 2007)
- European Finance Association 2007 Meetings, Ljubljana, Slovenia (August 2007; Accepted but unable to present the paper)

- Western Finance Association 2007 Meetings, Big Sky, MT (June 2007; presented by co-author)
- NYU Stern/New York Federal Reserve Bank conference on “Financial Intermediation”, New York (November 2006)
- The World Bank/Journal of Financial Intermediation conference on “Bank Regulation and Corporate Finance”, Washington DC (October 2006)

“Why Do CEOs Increase Their Equity-Based Compensation? Because they have to.”

- American Finance Association Meetings, Chicago (January 2007)
- Summer Research Conference at the Indian School Business, Hyderabad, India (August 2006)

Seminars:

“Determinants of bond-holdings of financial institutions”

- Brown-bag seminar, Georgia Tech (December 2008)

“Institutions and Stock-Market Correlations”

- Brown-bag seminar, Georgia Tech (December 2007)
- Brown-bag seminar, INSEAD (November 2007)

“Why are firms value or growth?”

- Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Singapore Management University, National University of Singapore, Chinese University of Hong Kong (February 2007)
- Georgia Tech, Colorado-Boulder, Purdue, Notre Dame, UC San Diego, UC Irvine (January 2007)

Discussions:

- Financial Management Association 2008 Meetings, Grapevine, TX (October 2008)
- Financial Management Association 2007 Meetings, Orlando, FL (October 2007)

MEDIA MENTION

- “Mutual Funds and Bubbles: The surprising role of contractual incentives” cited in: Hulbert, Mark (2005), “Paid for Performance, and Freed From the Herd”, *The New York Times*, October 23rd.

SERVICE

Ad hoc referee for:

- *Journal of Empirical Finance*
- *Journal of European Economic Association*

Georgia Tech, College of Management:

- Member of Honors Committee (2008-09)
- IT Committee (2007-08)

REFERENCES

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Summer internship in advertising at Fallon, Minneapolis, MN (2000)
- Apprenticeship in architecture at M/s. Perception, New Delhi, India (1997)

PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Date of Birth: 14th December, 1975
- Gender: Male
- Citizenship: Indian
- Languages: Hindi (native), English (fluent); familiar with Bengali, French, and Punjabi
- Interests: Architecture, cooking, and reading non-fiction