

# ALI SANATI

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## Education

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### University of Minnesota

*Ph.D., Finance*

2018(expected)

### Sharif University of Technology

*M.B.A., Finance*

2013

### Sharif University of Technology

*B.Sc., Mechanical Engineering*

2010

## Research Interest

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Structural and Empirical Corporate Finance, Capital Structure, Investment.

## Published and Forthcoming Papers

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“How Does the Stock Market Absorb Shocks?” with Murray Frank.

Accepted at the *Journal of Financial Economics*.

## Working Papers

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“Mobility of Skilled Labor, Capital Structure and Investment.” [Job Market Paper]

“Rational Stock Market Catering,” with Murray Frank.

## Work in Progress

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“Financing Corporate Investment,” with Murray Frank.

“Aggregate Debt and Equity Financing,” with Murray Frank.

“Managerial Incentives and Firm Policies: Evidence from Structural Estimation.”

## Teaching Experience

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**Instructor**, University of Minnesota

2015–2016

**Finance Fundamentals** (4 credits, 60 students per section)

Average Teaching Evaluation: 5.3 out of 6

Awarded for Excellence in Teaching, Carlson School of Management.

John Willard Herrick Memorial Teaching Award, Finance Department.

**Teaching Assistant**, University of Minnesota 2013–2017  
**MBA:** Corporate Finance, Advanced Corporate Finance, World Economy, International Financial Management, Portfolio Management, Merger and Acquisitions.  
**Undergraduate:** International Finance, Financial Modeling.

**Teaching Assistant**, Sharif University of Technology 2011–2012  
**MBA:** Corporate Finance, Investment Management, Financial Engineering, Managerial Research Methods, System's Dynamics.

## Professional Experience

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**Irfinance Group (Research Division of Sahand Development Brokerage Co.)** **Tehran**  
*Investment Analyst, (Part time)* 2012–2013

**Lian Engineering, Ltd.** **Tehran**  
*Co-founder and CEO* 2009–2011

## Honors and Awards

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Dissertation Fellowship, University of Minnesota 2017  
John W. Herrick Travel Award, Finance Department, University of Minnesota 2017  
Carlson School Travel Fellowship, University of Minnesota 2016  
AFA Doctoral Student Travel Grant, American Finance Association 2016  
John W. Herrick Teaching Award, Finance Department, University of Minnesota 2016  
Excellence in Teaching Award, University of Minnesota 2016  
Graduate Research Fellowship, University of Minnesota 2013–2017  
Summer Research Fellowship, University of Minnesota 2014–2017  
M.B.A. Fellowship, Sharif University of Technology 2010–2013  
National Elites Foundation Scholarship, Iran 2006–2013  
Distinguished Alumnus, School of Mechanical Eng., Sharif Univ. of Technology 2010  
Dean's Award, Sharif University of Technology  
(for outstanding performance in the National University Entrance Examination) 2006

## Additional Information

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Computer: Stata, SAS, Matlab, Fortran, Python, RapidMiner.  
Language: English (fluent), Farsi (native).