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I teach and do research in a variety of areas; my special areas of expertise and interest are corporate finance and microfinance in the US, India and Kenya. A third area of interest is the operation of markets in ancient economies.

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. (Finance) University of Chicago, 1986
Dissertation: Forward and Futures Prices: A Theoretical and Empirical Investigation of Institutional Factors in the 91-day T-bill Market.
- M.B.A. (Economics & Management Science) University of Chicago, 1980
- M.B.A. (Management Science) University of Kentucky, 1976
- B. Comm. (Economics and Statistics) University of Bombay, 1975

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- Editorial Advisory Board, The Open Ethics and Law Journal
- Visiting Scholar, Nabakrushna Choudhury Centre for Development Studies, January-May 2017.
- Visiting Scholar, Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies, New York University, July 2010-May 2016
- Visiting Scholar, Sri Aurobindo Society, Pondicherry, India, May-July 2010

TEACHING AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Director, Global Portfolio Analysis Center, Lubin School of Business, Pace University, New York, NY. 2000 to present
- Professor of Finance, Lubin School of Business, Pace University, New York, NY. 9/04 to present
- Visiting Professor, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China Summer 2012
- Associate Professor of Finance, Lubin School of Business, Pace University, New York, NY. 7/95 to 8/04
- Assistant Professor of Finance, Graduate School of Management, Rutgers University, Newark, NJ. 1/85 to 6/95
- Visiting Assistant Professor of Finance, Graduate School of Business Administration, Fordham University. 9/90 to 8/91
- Visiting Professor of Finance and Economics, Instituto Tecnológico de Monterrey, Unidad Chihuahua, Mexico. 7/82-12/82

Instructor in Management Science, Graduate School of Business,
University of Chicago.

1/80-3/80

SELECTED INDUSTRY/CONSULTING EXPERIENCE

Advisor to Winning Pace University Team in NYSSA-sponsored Stock Research Report Writing Competition, 2002-3; runner-up 2005-6, 3rd place 2006-7, 2007-8.
(http://webpage.pace.edu/gpact/nyssa/challenge/2002-3/challenge_win.html)

Consultant to John Wiley and Sons, Inc. on Web Content for their Corporate Finance and Investments Websites, 1998 to 2010.

Consultant on Margin Policy to Brokerage Firm, August 2000.

Analyzed Dividend Policy for closely held manufacturing firm, October 1999.

Financial Consultant to new Internet start-up, August 1999.

Taught course on Financial Innovation to practitioners at the New York Society for Security Analysts, New York, NY, Fall 1999.

Conducted a Two-day Professional Development Program on Interest Rate Risk Management in Bangalore, India in May 1997.

Conducted a Two-day Professional Development Program on Advanced Fixed Income Securities Management, for an Indian public sector corporation, ICICI in Bombay, India in June 1997.

COURSES TAUGHT

Graduate level:

Finance

Financial Management
Advanced Corporate Finance
Investments and Money Management
Portfolio Management
Financial Statement Analysis
Futures and Options
International Corporate Finance
Survey of Financial Theory (Ph.D.)
Mergers and Acquisitions
Microfinance
Applying Financial Theory to Strategic
Decision-Making
Security Valuation for the Student Managed Investment Portfolio

Economics

Microeconomic Analysis

Undergraduate level:

Finance

Financial Management
Advanced Corporate Finance
Investments
Market Microstructure
Film Finance
Financial Innovation
Mergers and Acquisitions
Firm Valuation
Chinese Financial Markets

Economics

Microeconomic Analysis
International Trade

LANGUAGE ABILITIES:

I read and speak French, Spanish, Tamil, Hindi/Urdu and Yiddish fluently and have varying degrees of fluency in German, Italian, Hebrew, Marathi, Malayalam and Bengali. I have also studied Arabic, Ancient Greek, Czech, Dutch, Armenian, Aramaic, Syriac, Swahili, Irish/Gaelic, Welsh, Sanskrit and Mandarin Chinese.

EDUCATIONAL PUBLICATIONS:

- Solutions Manual (with Aswath Damodaran) for *Corporate Finance: Theory and Practice*, 2nd ed. by Aswath Damodaran, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, N.Y., 2001.
- Solutions Manual for *Applied Corporate Finance, A User's Manual*, by Aswath Damodaran, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, N.Y., 2001.
- Internet Exercises for *Investments, Analysis and Management*, by Charles Jones, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, N.Y., 2001.

GENERAL PUBLICATIONS:

1. P.V. Viswanath. 2010. Book Review of “*India's Financial Markets: An Insider's Guide to How the Markets Work*” by A. Shah, S. Thomas and M. Gorham, Elsevier Publications, 2008, in the *Journal of Asian Economics*, vol. 21, no. 6, 2010.
2. P.V. Viswanath. 2010. Book Review of “*The Arab Economies in a Changing World*,” by M. Noland and H. Pack, Washington, D.C.: Peterson Institute for International Economics, 2007, in the *Journal of Asian Economics*, vol. 21 pp. 423-424.
3. P.V. Viswanath. 2009. “An Overview of Bankruptcy Procedures Around the World,” chapter in *Advanced Corporate Finance*, Chandrasekhar Krishnamurti and S.R. Vishwanath (eds.), PHI Learning Private Limited, New Delhi.
4. P.V. Viswanath. 2007. “Bull and Bear Markets,” *International Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences*, 2nd edition.
5. P.V. Viswanath. 2007. “Bid-Ask Spreads,” *International Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences*, 2nd edition.
6. P.V. Viswanath. "The Jews of India." (In Yiddish) *Yugntrof*, New York, 65 (December 1988). Reprinted in *Sovietish Heymland*, Moscow, Russia (July 1989) and in *Birobidzhaner Stern*, Birobidzhan, Russia (July 10, 1992).

PUBLISHED RESEARCH ARTICLES:

1. P.V. Viswanath. 2019. "Recife: The Cradle of Jewish America," *Middle Atlantic Review of Latin American Studies*, 3(1), 2019, pp.81–91.
<http://doi.org/10.23870/marlas.232>
2. Pavel Alejandro and P.V. Viswanath. 2019. The new financial framework for the Cuban non-state sector. *Post-Communist Economies*, 31(2).
<https://doi.org/10.1080/14631377.2018.1460534>
3. P.V. Viswanath. 2018. Microfinance and the Decision to Invest in Children's Education. *International Journal of Financial Studies* 6: 1,
<http://dx.doi.org/10.3390/ijfs6010016>
4. P.V. Viswanath. 2018. Microcredit and Survival Microenterprises: The Role of Market Structure. *International Journal of Financial Studies* 6: 1,
[doi:10.3390/ijfs6010001](http://dx.doi.org/10.3390/ijfs6010001)
5. Goldman, Elena and P.V. Viswanath. 2017. "Internal Capital Markets, Forms of Intra-Group Transfers and Dividend Policy: Evidence from Indian Corporates," *Journal of Financial Research*, 40(4): 567–610.
<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/jfir.12135/full>
6. P.V. Viswanath. 2015. "Microfinance and Investment in Human and Social Capital," *ACRN Journal of Finance and Risk Perspectives*, Special Issue of Social and Sustainable Finance, Vol.4 Issue 3, July 2015, p. 81-101.
7. Goldman, Elena and P.V. Viswanath. 2015. "Export Intensity and Dividend Policy of Indian Firms," in *Reviving Growth in India*, Pradeep Agrawal (ed.), Cambridge University Press, Delhi, India, pp. 358-386.
<https://doi.org/10.1017/CBO9781316106631.015>
8. Cooper, Benjamin; P.V. Viswanath and Zeba Syed. "Diagnostic Mammogram Same Day Test Results," Abstract no. 74, Proceedings of the 2015 Annual College of Radiology Meetings, Washington, DC.
9. Ming Jia, Li Tong, P.V. Viswanath and Zhe Zhang. "Word Power: The Impact of News Media on Corporate Pollution Practices," *Journal of Business Ethics*, March 2015, pp. 1-22.
10. Padmaja Kadiyala and P.V. Viswanath. "Size Effects in the Pricing of Corporate Bonds," *Financial Markets, Institutions and Instruments*, vol. 22, no. 4, 2013, pp. 229-258.
11. Daniel Tinkelman, P.V. Viswanath, and Glen M. Vogel. "Sub S Valuation: To Tax Effect or not to Tax Effect is not really the question," *The Tax Lawyer*, Spring 2012, v. 65, no. 3.

12. Michael Szenberg and P.V. Viswanath. "Religious Perspectives on the Economic Crisis: An Overview," in *The Great Recession: Major Religious Perspectives on the Global Economic and Financial Crisis*, Michael Szenberg and Lall Ramrattan (eds.), Amazon Press, 2012.
13. Elena Goldman and P.V. Viswanath. "Export Intensity and Financial Leverage of Indian Firms," *International Journal of Trade and Global Markets*, vol. 4, no. 2, pp. 152-171, 2011
14. P.V. Viswanath and Michael Szenberg. "Could What You Don't Know Hurt You? Information Asymmetry in Land Markets in Late Antiquity," in Aaron Levine (ed.) *The Oxford Handbook of Judaism and Economics*, Oxford University Press, 2010, Chapter 9, pp. 182-193.
15. P.V. Viswanath. "Explorations in the Economics of Intertemporal Asset Transfer in Roman Palestine," *American Economist*, December 2008.
16. Gerald Gay, Jouahn Nam and P.V. Viswanath. "How Much Value do Corporate Hedging Programs Create? Assessing the Impact of Hedging on Inefficient Investment," *ICFAI Journal of Applied Finance*, April 2007.
17. P.V. Viswanath and Michael Szenberg. "Examining the Biblical Perspective on the Environment in a Costly Contracting Framework," in Carmel Chiswick and Tikva Lehrer (eds.) , *Economics of Judaism*, Bar Ilan University Press, 2007.
18. Kaustav Sen and P.V. Viswanath. "Testing Dividend Theories: Evidence from Dividend Payments versus Earnings Retention," *ICFAI Journal of Applied Finance*, December 2005.
19. Jayant Pandit and P.V. Viswanath. "Tracking Stocks and Financial Focus: Does Financial Focus add Firm Value?," Proceedings of the 31st NBEA Association Conference, September 2004.
20. P.V. Viswanath and Wayne Eastman. "Bondholder-Stockholder Conflict: Contractual Covenants vs. Court-Mediated Ex-post Settling-Up," *The Review of Quantitative Finance and Accounting*, vol. 21, no. 1, September 2003.
21. Kam Chan, P.V. Viswanath and Annie Wong "Century Bonds: Issuance Motivations and Debt versus Equity Characteristics," *Journal of Applied Business Research*, vol. 19, no. 3, Summer 2003.
22. P.V. Viswanath, Yu Kyung Kim and Jayant Pandit. "Dilution, Dividend Commitments and Liquidity: Do Dividend Changes Reflect Information Signaling?" *The Review of Quantitative Finance and Accounting*, 2002, vol. 18, no. 4.

23. P.V. Viswanath. "Risk Sharing, Diversification and Moral Hazard in Roman Palestine: Evidence from Agricultural Contract Law," *The International Review of Law and Economics*, November 2000, vol. 20, pp. 353-369.
24. P.V. Viswanath. "Risk Sharing in the Mishna: An Economic Explanation of a Mishnaic Law Pertaining to Agricultural Rental Contracts" *Proceedings of the International Conference on Law, Jewish Law and Economics* at Bar-Ilan University, Ramat-Gan, Israel, December 1998.
25. Paul Koku, Sharan Jagpal and P.V. Viswanath. "The Effect of New Product Preannouncements and Announcements on the Value of the Firm," *Journal of Market Focused Management*, v. 2, no. 2, 1997, p. 183-199.
26. P.V. Viswanath. "Implicit Contracts and the Use of Covenants in Bondholder Indentures." *Economic Liberalization: Its Impact on Indian Economy, Business, and Society*, Association of Indian Economic Studies, Macomb, Il. July 1997.
27. Soled, Jay, P.V. Viswanath and Patrick I. McKenna. "Almost Two Decades Later, *Buffalo Tool* Admonishments Still Largely Ignored." *Taxes*, January 1997.
28. P.V. Viswanath and Michael Frierman. "Asset Fungibility and Equilibrium Capital Structures." *Journal of Economics and Business*, 47, no. 4, October 1995, p. 319-334.
29. Richard Ponarul and P.V. Viswanath. "Solvency Risk and Optimal Tax Sheltering of Property-Liability Insurers." *Journal of Risk and Insurance*, September 1995.
30. Michael Frierman and P.V. Viswanath. "Agency Problems of Debt, Convertible Securities, and Deviations from Absolute Priority in Bankruptcy." *The Journal of Law and Economics*, 37, no. 2, (October 1994).
31. P.V. Viswanath. "Capital Budgeting and Asymmetric Information." *Advances in Financial Planning and Forecasting*, vol. 5, 1994, (ed.) C.F. Lee, Jai Press.
32. Richard PonArul and P.V. Viswanath. "Solvency Risk and the Tax Sheltering Behavior of Property-Liability Insurers," *Proceedings of the 4th International Conference on Insurance Solvency and Finance*, Philadelphia, Pa., April 1994.
33. P.V. Viswanath. "Adjusting Capital Budgeting Rules for Information Asymmetry," *Financial Management*, 22, 4 (Winter 1993), p. 22-23.
34. Shashidhar Murthy and P.V. Viswanath. Abstract of "Project Selection and Stochastic Volatility of Asset Prices," *Journal of Finance*, 48, 3 (July 1993), p. 1111.

35. P.V. Viswanath. "Strategic Considerations, The Pecking Order Hypothesis and Market Reactions to Equity Financing." *Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis*, 28, no. 2, June 1993, 213-234.
36. P.V. Viswanath. "Efficient Use of Information, Convergence Adjustments and Regression Estimates of Hedge Ratios." *Journal of Futures Markets*, 13, no. 1, (February 1993): 43-54.
37. P.V. Viswanath. "Relative Costs of Financing Modes, Managerial Myopia and Information Effects of Financing Decisions." *Proceedings of the European Finance Association Annual Conference*, Lisbon, Portugal, August 1992.
38. P.V. Viswanath and Sris Chatterjee. "Robustness Results for Regression Hedge Ratios: Futures Contracts with Multiple Deliverable Grades." *Journal of Futures Markets* 12, no. 3 (June 1992): 253-264.
39. Krishna Hegde and P.V. Viswanath. "Structure Stability with Ex-Ante Factor Specification in the APT." *International Journal of Finance* 3, no. 1, (Autumn 1990): 121-157.
40. P.V. Viswanath. "Taxes and the Futures-Forward Price Difference in the 91-day T-bill Market." *Journal of Money, Credit and Banking* 21, no. 2, (May 1989): 190-205.

UNPUBLISHED WORK:

1. P.V. Viswanath. "'Asset Markets, the Agency Problem and Gifts to the Early Medieval Buddhist Sangha in India," NCDS Working Paper No.68, Nabakrushna Choudhury Centre for Development Studies, Bhubaneswar, September 2017.
2. P.V. Viswanath. "The Specification of Interest Rates in Ancient Athens," Working Paper, January 2011.
3. P.V. Viswanath. "The use of Real Estate for the Settlement of Claims in Roman Palestine," Working Paper no. 2007-002, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai, March 2007.
4. P.V. Viswanath. "Costly Search and the Profitability of Acquisitions," October 2006, Working Paper.
5. Jay Pandit and P.V. Viswanath. "Corporate Focus and Tracking Stocks: Does Operational Focus add to firm value ?," June 2003, Working Paper.
6. Menahem Rosenberg and P.V. Viswanath. "The Impact of Unexpected Inflation on Firm Value: The Duration Effect," December 2002, Working Paper.

7. Jouahn Nam and P.V. Viswanath, "Acquiring Privately-Held Firms: A Costly Search Perspective," March 2004, Working Paper.
8. Kaustav Sen and P.V. Viswanath. "Dividend Policy in the Deregulated Electricity Industry – a test of the Clientele Hypothesis, December 2004.
9. P.V. Viswanath and Gordon Tang, "Safe-haven stocks and their Pricing," January 2005, Working Paper.
10. Shashidhar Murthy and P.V. Viswanath. "Project Selection and Stochastic Volatility of Asset Prices." July 2000.

NEWSPAPER ARTICLES:

"A more rational electricity pricing policy," with Noushi Rahman, April 30, 2006, Daily Star, Bangladeshi newspaper

RECENT WORKSHOP AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS:

- Sanket Mohapatra and P.V. Viswanath. "Corporate groups, bank loans, and bond financing," 23rd Biennial Conference 2019 Association of Indian Economic and Financial Studies (AIEFS), Bhubaneswar, July 29-30, 2019.
- P.V. Viswanath, "Is Hinduism Avoda Zarah?" Talk given at the Chinmaya Vishwavidyapeeth, Veliyanadu, Kerala, on 12th July 2019
- P.V. Viswanath, "Is Hinduism Avoda Zarah?" Talk given at the Conference on Asiatic Religions and Judaism at Bar Ilan University on 20th April 2019
- P.V. Viswanath. "Asset Markets, the Agency Problem and Gifts to the Early Medieval Buddhist Sangha in India." Talk given at the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad, June 21, 2018.
- P.V. Viswanath. "Asset Markets, the Agency Problem and Gifts to the Early Medieval Buddhist Sangha in India." Talk given at the 43rd Annual Economic and Business History Society Conference, June 1, 2018.
- P.V. Viswanath. "Market Access, Livelihood Choice and Financial Services," talk given at KIIT University, School of Rural Management, Bhubaneswar, India on August 2nd, 2017.
- P.V. Viswanath. "Internal Capital Markets, Forms of Intra-Group Transfers and Dividend Policy: Evidence from Indian Corporates." Presentation at the 22nd Biennial Conference 2017, Association of Indian Economic and Financial Studies (AIEFS), held at the Nabakrushna Choudhury Centre for Development Studies, Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India on July 31-August 1.

- P.V. Viswanath. "Asset Markets, the Agency Problem and Gifts to the Early Medieval Buddhist Sangha in India." Talk given at the Conference on "Birds as Ornithologists: Scholarship Between Faith and Reason" organized by the Department for Indian and Tibetan Studies at Hamburg University at Namdroling Monastery, Bylakuppe, Mysore, India on July 23-25, 2017.
- P.V. Viswanath. "Hypothesis Formulation," Conducted Workshop for Research Scholars and Doctoral Students at Nabakrushna Choudhury Centre for Development Studies, Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India on May 25, 2017.
- P.V. Viswanath. "Asset Markets, the Agency Problem and Gifts to the Early Medieval Buddhist Sangha in India," Talk given at the Nabakrushna Choudhury Centre for Development Studies, Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India on May 24, 2017.
- P.V. Viswanath. "An Introduction to Judaism," Talk given under the auspices of the Tourism and Culture Department, Government of Odisha at the State Archives Conference Hall, Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India. May 17th, 2017.
- P.V. Viswanath. "Asset Markets, the Agency Problem and Gifts to the Early Medieval Buddhist Sangha in India." Talk at the National Institute of Science Education and Research, Jatni, Odisha, India on May 3, 2017.
- P.V. Viswanath. "Understanding Buddhist and Jewish texts in a Market Context." Talk at the K J Somaiya Centre for Buddhist Studies, Mumbai, on April 20, 2017.
- P.V. Viswanath. "Civil Society and Violence in Odisha: What we can learn from Malkangari and Kandhamal." Plenary Speaker at the International Conference on Civil Society and the State: An Interface, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India. March 25, 2017.
- P.V. Viswanath. "Market Access and Livelihood Choice." Talk at Research Training Seminar (RTS) series at XIMB, Xavier University, Bhubaneswar (XUB), Odisha, India on March 17, 2017.
- P.V. Viswanath. "Human rights and Globalization." Keynote Speech at the National Seminar on Economic Rights, Social Rights and Civil and Political Rights at Dharmasala Mahavidyalaya, Jajpur, Odisha, India on March 1, 2017.
- P.V. Viswanath. "Market Access and Livelihood Choice." Talk at the National Institute of Science Education and Research, Jatni, Odisha, on Feb. 28, 2017.
- P.V. Viswanath. "Microfinance with Cuban Characteristics," Talk at the Nabakrushna Choudhury Centre for Development Studies, Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India, February 14, 2017
- Cooper, Benjamin; P Viswanath and R Singh. "Communication of Actionable Findings," Poster Presentation, Radiological Society of North America (RSNA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, Il., December 23, 2016.

- Cooper, Benjamin and P.V. Viswanath. "Evaluating Peripheral Artery Disease with ECG Gated Flow Spoiled-Fresh Blood Imaging Non Contrast MRA," Oral Presentation Society MRA, Society for Magnetic Resonance Angiography (SMRA) Annual Meeting, September 2016.
- Cooper, Benjamin and P.V. Viswanath. "3D analysis of Vessel Morphology Imaged with ECG Gated low Spoiled-Fresh Blood Imaging Non Contrast MRA," Poster Presentation Society MRA, Society for Magnetic Resonance Angiography (SMRA) Annual Meeting, September 2016
- P.V. Viswanath. "Microfinance and the Decision to Invest in Children's Education," XI Annual International Conference on Public Policy and Management at the Centre for Public Policy (CPP) of the Indian Institute of Management Bangalore, August 8 - 10, 2016.
- Elena Goldman and P.V. Viswanath. "Internal Capital Markets and Dividend Policy: Evidence from Indian Corporates," World Finance Conference, New York, NY, July 29, 2016.
- Cooper, Benjamin; Zeba Syed and P.V. Viswanath. "Diagnostic Mammogram Same Day Test Results," 2015 Annual College of Radiology Meetings, Washington, DC.
- P.V. Viswanath. "Word Power: The Impact of News Media on Corporate Pollution Practices," Economics Workshop at the Indian Institute of Technology, Mumbai, India. August 25, 2014.
- P.V. Viswanath with Ming Jia, Li Tong and Zhe Zhang. "Word Power: The Impact of News Media on Corporate Pollution Practices," 74th Annual Meeting of the Academy of Management, Philadelphia, Pa., August 1-5, 2014.
- P.V. Viswanath. "Word Power: The Impact of News Media on Corporate Pollution Practices," at the IXth Annual International Conference on Public Policy and Management, Centre for Public Policy, Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore, India, August 11-13, 2014.
- P.V. Viswanath. "Does Cash flow Volatility Explain Dividend Policy? A Study of Exporting and non-Exporting Firms in India," presentation at the Workshop on Sustaining High Growth in India, July 26, 2013
- P.V. Viswanath. "Dividend Policies of Exporting Firms in India," presentation at the International Conference on Banking and Finance in Bangalore, India, August 9-11, 2012.
- P.V. Viswanath. "Microfinance," presentation at Ramakrishna Mahavidyalaya" in Kailashahar, Tripura State, India, July 31, 2012.
- P.V. Viswanath. "Corporate Governance and Corporate Finance," Presentation at Northwestern Polytechnic University in Xi'an, China, July 09, 2012.
- P.V. Viswanath. "Microfinance," Presentation at Northwestern Polytechnic University in Xi'an, China, July 11, 2012.

- P.V. Viswanath. "The Specification of Interest Rates in Ancient Athens," Presentation at the Economic and Business History Society meetings in Columbus, OH, April 2011.
- "Dividend Policies of Exporting Firms in India," talk given at IIM-Bangalore, India, August 2011
- "Dividend Policies of Exporting Firms in India," talk given at IIM-Ahmedabad, India, August 2011
- "Dividend Policies of Exporting Firms in India," talk given at Xi'an JiaoTong University, Xi'an, China, May 25, 2011.
- "Could what you don't know hurt you? Information Asymmetry in Medieval Land Markets," talk given at the Economics Department Workshop at Bar Ilan University, Ramat Gan, Israel on Mar. 16, 2009; at the Economics Department Workshop on Mar. 18 at Ariel University, Ariel, Israel; and on April 3, 2009 at the Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of Religion, Economics and Culture at Arlington, Va.
- "Export Intensity and Financial Policies of Indian Firms," talk given at the Department of Agricultural, Food and Resource Economics Workshop, Rutgers University, Cook Campus on March 3, 2009; and invited presentation at the NIPFP-DEA Program on Capital Flows, 4th Research Meeting, 24-25 March, 2009 in New Delhi.
- "Law and Economics: An Introduction," talk given at the University of Mumbai on March 23, 2007."
- "Investment Opportunities and Dividend Policies in India," talk given at the Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Bombay, India, March 2007.
- "Acquiring Privately-Held Firms: A Costly Search Perspective," with Jouahn Nam, presented at the CFO Summit, Indian Institute of Management, January 19, 2007 and at the Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay, March 27, 2007.
- P.V. Viswanath. "The Use of Real Estate for the Settlement of Claims in Jewish Babylonia," presented at the Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Bombay, India in March 2007, at The Fifth Annual Meetings of the Association for the Study of Religion, Economics and Culture at Portland, WA in October 2006 and at the 14th Congress of Jewish Studies, Jerusalem, August 3, 2005.
- Sen and P.V. Viswanath. "Investment Opportunities and Dividend Policy: Deregulation and Diversification in the Utilities Industry," presented at the Eastern Finance Association meetings in Philadelphia in April 2006, at the 31st NBEA Association Conference, New York, NY, September 2004, and at the Second International Conference on Business & Finance, December 2004 in Hyderabad, India.
- Jayant Pandit and P.V. Viswanath. "Tracking Stocks and Financial Focus Does Financial Focus add Firm Value?," presented at the Eastern Finance Association meetings in Philadelphia in April 2006, and at the 31st NBEA Association Conference, New York, NY, September 2004.

- “Contemporary Environmental Policy: Biblical Lessons,” presented at the 11th International Interdisciplinary Conference on the Environment, Boston, MA, July 2, 2004.
- “Stocks that Behave Like Bonds,” with Gordon Tang, presented at the APRIA meetings, Bangkok, July 20-23, 2003, and at the Institute for Financial Management and Research, Chennai, India, July 30, 2003.
- "Acquiring Privately-Held Firms: A Costly Search Perspective," with Jouahn Nam, presented at the Eastern Finance Association meetings, Orlando, FL, April 2003.
- “Interest Sensitive Stocks and Flights to Safe Havens,” presented at Eastern Finance Association meetings, Orlando, FL, April 2003.
- “The Returns to Acquiring Privately Held Firms: Costly Value Addition,” with Jouahn Nam, presented at the APFA/PACAP/FMA meetings in Tokyo, July 14-17, 2002.
- “How much Value do Corporate Hedging Programs Create? Assessing the Impact of Hedging on Inefficient Investment,” presented at the Fifth Annual Conference of the Asia-Pacific Risk and Insurance Association, Bangalore, India, July 15~18, 2001.
- “Some Aspects of the Structure in the Apparel Industry,” presented at the 2000 Conference of the Business and Economics Society International, July 2000.
- “Century Bonds: Debt or Equity Securities?” presented at the Northeast Business and Economics Association Conference, October 2000.
- “Century Bonds: Issuance Motivations and Debt versus Equity Characteristics,” presented at the National University of Singapore, July 2000.
- “Tax Effects in Treasury Bond Pricing,” presented at Hong Kong Baptist University, July 2000 and at the Economics Department workshop, Fordham University, March 2000
- “Agricultural Risk sharing in the Mishna: An Economic Explanation of a Mishnaic Law Pertaining to Tenant-Landlord Risk Sharing,” presented at the Twelfth World Congress of Jewish Studies in Jerusalem, Israel, August 1997.
- “Repeated Interaction, Deep Pockets, and Litigation Spending,” presented at the 5th Annual Italian Meeting of Experimental Economics in Trento, Italy, June 1997.
- "Implicit Contracts and the Use of Covenants in Bondholder Indentures," presented at the Association of Indian Economic Studies International Conference in Bombay, May 1996.
- “Intercorporate Equity Holding and Solvency,” (co-authored with Richard PonArul) presented at the Western Risk and Insurance Association meetings, January 1996

WORKSHOP PARTICIPATION and other PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

Faculty Resource Network, New York University, Faculty Enrichment Summer Seminars

Mapping the City: Digital Humanities in the Classroom, Summer 2016

Voices of Contemporary Islam, Summer 2015

The Middle East After the Arab Spring, Summer 2014

Reframing Gender: Men, Women and the State, Summer 2013

Tackling Tough Topics Through the Classics, Summer 2012

The Asian Business Experience, Summer 2011

Ethics in Practice, Summer 2009

The Voice from Sinai: The Scriptures of the Jews, Christians and Muslims, Summer 2007

Workshop in Experimental Economics: Research and Teaching, Summer 2004

SERVICE to PROFESSION

Ad hoc Referee

In the recent past:

Sustainability; Economic Modelling; International Journal of Financial Studies; Journal of Risk and Financial Management

In the past:

Journal of Law and Economics; Journal of Accounting, Auditing and Finance

Journal of Banking and Finance; Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis

Journal of Finance; Journal of Money, Credit and Banking

Financial Management; Journal of Futures Markets

Journal of Regulatory Economics; Journal of International Business Studies

The Engineering Economist; The American Economist

PhD COMMITTEES:

Jayant Pandit, 2002 (Chairman). "Corporate Focus and Tracking Stocks."

Wonil Lee, 1993. "Cross-sectional Determinants of Convertible Debt Issuance in Japan and in the USA."

Paul Koku, 1993. "The Effect of Preannouncements and Announcements on the Value of the Firm."

Anuj Dhanda, 1990. "The January Effect: A Market Microstructure Perspective."