# MOR 603: Seminar in Strategic Management Marshall School of Business University of Southern California Fall 2023 Monday 10:00 – 12:50pm

#### HOH 706

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### **Course Description**

The literature in strategic management attempts to explain the differences in the performance of organizations. This is a very high level objective and the strategy literature has many branches that explore different aspects of internal organizational design and decision making as well as the role of external factors such as industry and the institutional environment. Understanding factors that make organizations more or less successful requires an examination of different levels of analysis, from individuals (as the ultimate decision makers) to teams (or groups/divisions) to entire organizations to industries and then to countries.

The intent of this seminar is to provide an introduction to work in the field of strategic management to enable doctoral students to build upon it and publish either in the field of strategy or in related fields (marketing, accounting, economics, etc.). Many research questions examined in the field of strategy are also explored in other fields (vertical integration, the role of alliances/networks, organizational decision-making, etc.), but strategy tends to have a slightly different focus that effectively complements work in related fields.

The seminar begins by exploring the key theories that form the foundation of the field of strategy including transaction cost economics, agency theory, the resource-based view of the firm, knowledge-based views, industrial organization economics and evolutionary theories. We then move on to explore areas of strategy research in which these theories are applied, including (but not limited to) corporate governance, entrepreneurship, global strategy, alliances, mergers & acquisitions, non-market strategy (dealing with the institutional environment), and organizational design.

Over the course of the semester, you will:

- Read and critique a selected number of articles published in the leading journals of the field carefully chosen to reflect diverse theoretical and empirical traditions;
- Evaluate strategic management questions from different theoretical perspectives;
- Constructively critique empirical research;
- Formulate novel research ideas that advance the field of strategic management;
- Develop ideas into a research paper (conceptual or empirical) that will meet the standards for inclusion in a competitive academic conference.

# Grading:

Participation in weekly discussions	20%
Session roles (primary and secondary)	35%
Paper	35%
Critique of classmate's paper	10%

**Student Discussants.** Most weeks, we will have three student discussants: a primary discussant and two secondary discussants. Each seminar attendee will get a chance to perform both these roles.

The job of the primary discussant is to open the seminar with a (roughly) 10 minute session opener talk and then use that to drive our discussion of the themes that emerge from considering each paper's motivations, argumentation, and implications. The best papers we read will be strong in all three dimensions and, in so doing, teach us about their topics while also teaching about the craft of doing great research. You should know, however, that not all assigned papers meet this standard equally well, by design. Make and share your own judgments about differences in importance and quality of the assigned papers, and be prepared to debate your conclusions with others!

The primary discussant should use the following guidelines in preparing for the session.

1. Time allotted: approximately 10 minutes of the session

2. Brings a handout for everyone: 2-4 pages (single-spaced, including diagrams and figures/tables)

- 3. No PowerPoint slides
- 4. No summaries of the readings
- 5. Diagrams or tables are helpful
- 6. Analytical narrative is permitted, but please keep it focused and short
- 7. Conclude with a set of questions that we will debate and discuss

These questions should address the overall research area and include, but not be limited to, additional research questions that need to be addressed to help move research in this area forward.

The best openers will lead to discussions that cover the papers thoroughly because we are asking hard questions about the value of the paper, whether it succeeds in conveying its main

message/conclusion, and what we might do next. All this goes well beyond just figuring out what is in the papers.

In sum, good primary discussants will deliver an opener that does the following:

- Integrates the readings using an analytical framework
- Identifies and makes explicit the commonalities and differences in implicit assumptions that underlie the various readings
- Where possible, exposes theoretical gaps with suggest avenues for development beyond the readings
- Engages the other seminar participants in a discussion of the readings by taking a clear and perhaps provocative position!
- AVOID questions such as —What do you think of the authors' arguments? or Do you agree with that point? Your job is to have a *position* on these issues.

The secondary discussants will focus their attention on specific papers. Their responsibility is to highlight key strengths and weaknesses of each paper, theoretical as well as methodological. They should also, wherever possible, identify ways in which these weaknesses could be addressed in future research.

For each paper, you should identify at least one substantive research question that was sparked by the paper. This could be something to address a weakness in the paper or to follow up on idea that the results in the paper may generate. You can be creative here; the idea is to think about what kinds of things you would want to study if you were to do a paper targeted to the literature/scholars the author of this paper is addressing.

Depending on the number/complexity of the papers allotted to a secondary discussant, s/he can expect to spend 10+ minutes critiquing the papers. Please bring a handout summarizing observations on each paper (no more than one page per assigned paper – can be even shorter).

**Research Paper.** The goal for this assignment is that you develop a paper that you will submit to the Academy of Management conference (or the appropriate professional conference for your field). You have three options for this:

1) *Empirical Project Proposal:* abstract, theory, hypotheses, research design, and discussion of anticipated contributions. Note that this does not include any requirement for data collection or analysis—that will come later after the completion of the course. In previous years, students developed an idea of what they'll do during the semester and then work on it during the spring and over the summer.

2) Complete Empirical Paper: same as (1) but with data collection, analysis, and discussion of results. This is much tougher (!), so you probably only want to take this route if you already have data or know a faculty member who has data you can use (many of us do), or a strong lead on data that you can get quickly. Because of the additional burdens of data collection and analysis, we do not require you to perform all of the analyses a full paper would require. Again, that will come later.

3) *Theory Paper:* following the format of the theory papers you will see in our readings (especially papers published in the Academy of Management Review), this will require a clear statement of the problem; review of the prior literature; development of a new perspective, approach, theory, framework, etc. (perhaps but not necessarily including clear propositions); and conclusion with discussion of potential strategies for empirical research.

An interim version of your research paper is due on **September 27, 2021** (Week 6). I will provide feedback to you in the following week.

Please email a draft of your paper on the last day of class (Week 14) on November 29<sup>th</sup>, and provide comments on a designated peer student's paper on or before **December 15<sup>rth</sup>**. The final paper is due on or before **December 15<sup>th</sup>**.

#### WEEK 1 August 21 (NJ): Introduction to the field of strategic management

Nag, R., D.C. Hambrick & M.J. Chen. 2007. "What is strategic management, really? Inductive derivation of a consensus definition of the field". Strategic Management Journal, 28: 935-955.

Mahoney, J.T. & A.M. McGahan. 2007. "The field of strategic management within the evolving science of strategic organization". Strategic Organization, 5: 79-99.

March, J.G., & R. I. Sutton. 1997. "Organizational performance as a dependent variable". Organization Science, 8(6): 698-706.

Rumelt, R., D. Schendel & D. Teece.1991. "Strategic management and economics". Strategic Management Journal, 12 (Winter Special Issue): 5-29.

Bloom, N., B. Eifert, A. Mahajan, D. McKenzie, J. Roberts. 2013 "Does Management Matter? Evidence from India". Quarterly Journal of Economics, 128(1): 1-51

Tellis, Gerald. 2017 "Interesting and Impactful Research: On Phenomena, Theory, and Writing." Journal of the Academy of Marketing Science. Also available at

http://gtellis.net/publications

#### August 28 (NJ): Economic theories of strategy—Industrial organization, WEEK 2 **Agency Theory, and Behavioral Perspectives**

### **Discussant:**

(Industrial Organization)

McGahan, A.M. & M.E. Porter (1997), "How much does industry matter, really?" Strategic Management Journal 18(Summer): 15-30

#### (Agency theory)

Fama, Eugene, and Michael Jensen. "Agency Problems and Residual Claims." Journal of Law and Economic, 26 (1983), 327-349

#### **Discussant:**

Jensen, M.C., W.H. Meckling. 1976. Theory of the firm: Managerial behavior, agency costs and ownership structure. Journal of Financial Economics 3 305-360.

Holmstrom, B. and P. Milgrom (1991), "Multitask Principal-Agent Analyses: Incentive Contracts, Asset Ownership, and Job Design" Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization, 7: 24-52

#### **Discussant:**

(Behavioral perspectives of economic incentives)

Gneezy U, Meier S, Rey-Biel P (2011) When and why incentives (don't) work to modify behavior. J. Econom. Perspectives 25(4):191-209.

Ederer, Florian, Gustavo Manso, (2013) Is Pay for Performance Detrimental to Innovation? Management Science 59(7):1496-1513

## ADDITIONAL READING:

Porter ME. 1981. The contributions of industrial organization to strategic management. Academy of Management Review 6(4): 609–620.

Porter M.E., "The Five Competitive Forces that Shape Strategy." Harvard Business Review

Caves, R.E. & M.E. Porter. 1977. "From entry barriers to mobility barriers". <u>Quarterly</u> Journal of Economics.

Holmstrom, B. and P. Milgrom (1994), "The firm as an incentive system," *American Economic Review* 84(4): 972-991.

Cremer, J. (1995), "Arm's Length Relationships", *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 110, pp. 275-96.

(Read more on agency theory online:

http://www.referenceforbusiness.com/encyclopedia/A-Ar/Agency-Theory.html)

Gibbons, R. 2005. Incentives between Firms (and within). *Management Science* **51**(1) 2-17.

Frey, B., Felix Oberholzer-Gee, (1997) The Cost of Price Incentives: An Empirical Analysis of Motivation Crowding- Out, American Economic Review 87(4):746-755

WEEK 3 September 4: No class

# University Closed; Labor Day Holiday

#### WEEK 4 September 11 (NJ): Transaction Cost Economics

# **Discussants:**

(Transaction Cost Economics)

Coase, Ronald 1937, "The Nature of the Firm," Economica, Available in JSTOR Williamson, O.E. 1979. "Transaction Cost Economics: The Governance of Contractual

Relations". Journal of Law and Economics, 22 (October): 233-261.

Williamson, O.E. 1991. "Comparative Economic Organization: The Analysis of Discrete Structural Alternatives". <u>Administrative Science Quarterly</u>, 36: 269-296.

# **Discussants:**

(*Application corporate strategy*)

Montgomery, Cynthia A., 1994, Corporate diversification, Journal of Economic Perspectives 8, 163–178.

- Silverman, B.S. (1999), "Technological Resources and the Direction of Corporate Diversification: Toward an Integration of the Resource-Based View and Transaction Cost Economics," <u>Management Science</u>, 45(8), pp. 1109-1124.
- Gulati, R. 1995. "Does familiarity breed trust? The implications of repeated ties for contractual choice in alliances". <u>Academy of Management Journal</u>, 38: 85-112.

(a non-academic summary paper)

"Coase's theory of the firm," Economist July 29th, 2017

(https://www.economist.com/news/economics-brief/21725542-if-markets-are-so-good-directing-resources-why-do-companies-exist-first-our)

ADDITIONAL READINGS:

(*Property rights theory*)

Alchian, A. & H. Demsetz (1972), "Production, information costs, and economic organization," *American Economic Review* 62(December): 777-795.

Grossman, S. and O. Hart (1986), "The Costs and Benefits of Ownership: A Theory of Vertical and Lateral Integration", *Journal of Political Economy*, 94(4), pp.691-719.

Hart, O. and J. Moore (1990), "Property Rights and the Nature of the Firm", *Journal of Political Economy*, 98(6), pp.1119-1158.

Holmstrom, B. and P. Milgrom (1998), "The Boundaries of the Firm Revisited", *Journal* of Economic Perspectives, 12(4), pp. 73-94.

Hart, O. (1994), *Firms, Contract and Financial Structure*, Oxford, UK: Clarendon Press. Introduction and Chapters 1-3.

Gibbons, Robert. 2005. Four Formal(izable) Theories of the Firm? Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, 58(2): 2005.

Bolton, Patrick, and David S. Scharfstein. 1998. "Corporate Finance, the Theory of the Firm, and Organizations." *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 12(4): 95-114.

Holmstrom, Bengt, and John Roberts. 1998. "The Boundaries of the Firm Revisited." *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 12(4): 73-94.

Mayer, K.J. & J.A. Nickerson. 2005. "Antecedents and Performance Consequences of Contracting for Knowledge Workers: Evidence from Information Technology Services". <u>Organization Science</u>, 16: 225-242.

(Theoretical debates and empirical evidence of TCE)

Ghoshal, S. & P. Moran. 1996. "Bad for practice: A critique of the transaction cost theory". <u>Academy of Management Review</u>. 21: 13-47

Williamson, O.E. 1996. "Economic organization: The case for candor". <u>Academy of</u> <u>Management Review</u>. 21: 48-57

Ghoshal, S. & P. Moran. 1996. "Theories of economic organization: The case for realism and balance". <u>Academy of Management Review</u>, 21: 58-72

Macher, J.T. & B.D. Richman 2008. "Transaction cost economics: An assessment of research in the social sciences". <u>Business & Politics</u>, 10 (1): Article 1.

Williamson, O.E. 1999. "Strategy Research: Governance and Competence Perspectives". <u>Strategic Management Journal</u>, 20: 1087-1108.

# ADDITIONAL READING ON CORPORTE STRATEGY

(Alliance)

Dyer, Jeffrey & Harbir Singh. 1998. "The Relational View: Cooperative Strategy And Sources Of Interorganizational Competitive Advantage". <u>Academy of Management Review</u>, 23: 660-679

(M&A)

Graebner, M.E. 2009. "Caveat Venditor: Trust Asymmetries in Acquisitions of Entrepreneurial Firms". <u>Academy of Management Journal</u>, 52, 435-472.

Haleblian, J., Devers, C., McNamara, G., Carpenter, M., & R. Davison. 2009. Taking stock of what we know about mergers and acquisitions: A review and research agenda. <u>Journal of</u> <u>Management</u>. 35: 469-502

Garmaise, Mark J., and Tobias J. Moskowitz, 2006, Bank mergers and crime: The real and social effects of bank competition, Journal of Finance 61, 496–538.

Harford, J., 2005, What drives merger waves?, Journal of Financial Economics 77, 529-560.

# WEEK 5 September 18 (NJ): Resource-based view, Knowledge-based view, & Dynamic Capabilities

#### **Discussant:**

(Foundations)

Wernerfelt, B., 1984. "A resource-based view of the firm." <u>Strategic Management</u> Journal, 171-180.

Dierickx, I. & Cool, K. 1989. "Asset stock accumulation and sustainability of competitive advantage". <u>Management Science</u>, 35(12): 1504-1511.

Peteraf, M.A., 1993. "The cornerstones of competitive advantage: A resource-based view". <u>Strategic Management Journal</u>, 179-191.

Barney, J. 1991. "Firm resources and sustained competitive advantage". <u>Journal of</u> <u>Management</u>, 17: 99-120.

### Discussant:

(Dynamic capabilities)

Teece, D., A. Shuen & G. Pisano. 1997. "Dynamic capabilities and strategic management". <u>Strategic Management Journal</u>, 18: 509-533.

(Knowledge-based view)

Grant, R.M. "Toward a Knowledge-Based Theory of the Firm," <u>Strategic Management</u> Journal (17), Winter Special Issue, 1996, pp. 109-122.

Kogut, B. & U. Zander. 1992. "Knowledge of the firm, combinative capabilities, and the replication of technology". <u>Organization Science</u>, 7: 502-518.

#### ADDITIONAL READINGS

(Challenging RBV)

Priem & Butler. 2001. "Is the Resource-based "View" a Useful Perspective for Strategic Management Research?" <u>Academy of Management Review</u>, 26: 22-40.

Barney 2001. "Is the Resource-based "View" a Useful Perspective for Strategic Management Research? Yes." <u>Academy of Management Review</u>, 26: 41-56. (Response to Priem & Butler)

Priem & Butler. 2001. "Tautology in the Resource-Based View and the Implications of Externally Determined Resource Value: Further Comments" <u>Academy of Management Review</u>, 26: 57-66. (Rebuttal to Barney's response)

#### (*More on dynamic capabilities*)

Eisenhardt, K.M. & J.A. Martin. 2000. "Dynamic capabilities: What are they?" <u>Strategic</u> <u>Management Journal</u>, 21(10-11): 1105-1121.

Teece, David J. 2007. "Explicating dynamic capabilities: the nature and microfoundations of (sustainable) enterprise performance". <u>Strategic Management Journal</u>, Dec 2007, Vol. 28 Issue 13, p1319-1350.

#### (*More on KBV*)

Liesbeskind, J. 1996. "Knowledge, Strategy and the Theory of the Firm". <u>Strategic</u> <u>Management Journal</u>, 17: 93-107.

Foss, N. J. "More Critical Comments on Knowledge-Based Theories of the Firm", Organization Science, (7:5), 1996, pp. 519-523.

#### (Integrating capability and governance perspectives)

Mayer, K.J. & R. Salomon. 2006. "Capabilities, Contractual Hazard and Governance: Integrating Resource-Based and Transaction Cost Perspectives". <u>Academy of Management</u> <u>Journal</u>, 49: 942-959.

Argyres, N. & Zenger. T. 2012. "Capabilities, Transaction Costs and Firm Boundaries." <u>Organization Science</u>, 23: 1643-1667.

# WEEK 6 September 25 (Dan Fehder & NJ): Entrepreneurship: An Economic Perspective [readings to be updated]

#### **Discussant:**

Astebro, Thomas, Holger Herz, Ramana Nanda, and Roberto A. Weber. "Seeking the Roots of Entrepreneurship: Insights from Behavioral Economics." *The Journal of Economic Perspectives* 28, no. 3 (2014): 49–69.

Shane, Scott, and S. Venkataraman. "The Promise of Entrepreneurship as a Field of Research." *Academy of Management Review*, 2000, 217–226.

Lerner, J, and Ulrike Malmendier. "With a Little Help from My (Random) Friends: Success and Failure in Post-Business School Entrepreneurship." *Review of Financial Studies*, June 17, 2013, hht024. https://doi.org/10.1093/rfs/hht024.

#### **Discussant:**

Harrison, Glenn W., and John A. List. "Field Experiments." *Journal of Economic Literature* 42, no. 4 (2004): 1009–1055.

Fehder and Hochberg, 2017. Accelerator Programs and the Regional Supply of Venture Capital

Hallen, B.L. 2008. The causes and consequences of the initial network positions of new organizations: From whom do entrepreneurs receive investments? Administrative Science Quarterly 53 685-718.

#### WEEK 7 October 2: No class; Additional class (presentations) added to the final week

# WEEK 8 October 9 (Joe Raffiee & NJ): Strategic Human Capital [readings to be updated]

### **Discussant:**

Becker GS. 1962. Investment in Human Capital: A Theoretical Perspective. *Journal of Political Economy* **70**(5): 9-49

Lazear E. 2009. Firm-Specific Human Capital: A Skill-Weights Approach. *Journal of Political Economy* Volume 117, Number 5

#### **Discussant:**

Coff R. 1997. Human Assets and Management Dilemmas: Coping with Hazards on the Road to Resource-based Theory. *Academy of Management Review* **22**(2): 374-402

Coff, R. 1999. When Competitive Advantage Doesn't Lead to Performance: The Resource-Based View and Stakeholder Bargaining Power. <u>Organization Science</u>, 10(2): 119-133.

#### **Discussant:**

Byun, H., Raffiee, J. 2020 "Does Career Specialization Pay in Times of Job Displacement? Evidence from a Regression Discontinuity" *working paper* 

Campbell BA, Ganco M, Franco AM, Agarwal R. 2012b. Who leaves, where to, and why worry? employee mobility, entrepreneurship and effects on source firm performance. Strategic Management Journal 33(2): 65–87.

#### [ADDITIONAL READINGS]

Agarwal R, Echambadi R, Franco A, Sarkar M. 2004. Knowledge Transfer Through Inheritance: Spin-out Generation, Development, and Survival. *Academy of Management Journal* **47**(4): 501-522

Agarwal R, Ganco M, Ziedonis RH. 2009. Reputations for toughness in patent enforcement: Implications for knowledge spillovers via inventor mobility. *Strategic Management Journal* **30**(13): 1349-1374. Aime F, Johnson S, Ridge JW, Hill AD. 2010. The routine may be stable but the advantage is not: Competitive implications of key employee mobility. *Strategic Management Journal* **31**(1): 75-87.

Broschak JP. 2004. Managers' mobility and market interface: The effect of managers' career mobility on the dissolution of market ties. *Administrative Science Quarterly* **49**(4): 608-640.

Campbell B, Coff RW, Kryscynski D. 2012a. Re-thinking competitive advantage from human capital. *Academy of Management Review* **37**(3): 376-395.

Campbell BA, Ganco M, Franco AM, Agarwal R. 2012b. Who leaves, where to, and why worry? employee mobility, entrepreneurship and effects on source firm performance. *Strategic Management Journal* **33**(2): 65–87.

Carnahan S, Somaya D. 2013. Alumni effects and relational advantage: The impact on outsourcing when a buyer hires employees from a supplier's competitors. *Academy of Management Journal* **56**(6): 1578-1600.

Ganco M. 2013. Cutting the Gordian knot: The effect of knowledge complexity on employee mobility and entrepreneurship. *Strategic Management Journal* **34**(6): 666-686.

Grant RM. 1996. Toward a knowledge-based theory of the firm. *Strategic Management Journal* 17: 109-122.

Hatch NW, Dyer JH. 2004. Human capital and learning as a source of sustainable competitive advantage. *Strategic Management Journal* **25**(12): 1155.

Hashimoto M. 1981. Firm-Specific Human Capital as a Shared Investment. The *American Economic Review*, Vol. 71, No. 3 (Jun., 1981), pp. 475-482

Kor YY, Leblebici H. 2005. How do interdependencies among human-capital deployment, development, and diversification strategies affect firms' financial performance? *Strategic Management Journal* **26**(10): 967-985.

Mahoney JT, Kor Y. 2015. Advancing the human capital perspective on value creation by joining capabilities and governance approaches. *Academy of Management Perspectives* **29**(3): 296-308.

Mayer K, Somaya D, Williamson I. 2012. Firm-specific, industry-specific and occupational human capital, and the sourcing of knowledge work. *Organization Science* 23: 1311-1329.

Marx M, Strumsky D, Fleming L. 2009. Mobility, Skills, and the Michigan Non-Compete Experiment. *Management Science* **55**(6): 875-889

Ployhart RE. 2015. Strategic Organizational Behavior (STROBE): The Missing Voice in the Strategic Human Capital Conversation. *The Academy of Management Perspectives* **29**(3): 342-356.

Ployhart RE, Moliterno TP. 2011. Emergence of the Human Capital Resource: A Multilevel Model. *Academy of Management Review* **36**(1): 127-150.

Ployhart RE, Nyberg AJ, Reilly G, Maltarich MA. 2014. Human capital is dead; long live human capital resources! *Journal of Management* **40**(2): 371-398.

Raffiee J, Coff R. 2016. Micro-foundations of firm-specific human capital: When do employees perceive their skills to be firm-specific? *Academy of Mangement Journal* **59**(3): 766-790.

Raffiee J. 2017. Employee mobility and interfirm relationship transfer: Evidence from the mobility and client attachments of United States federal lobbyists, 1998–2014. *Strategic Management Journal* Early View DOI: 10.1002/smj.2634

Byun, H., Raffiee, J., & Ganco, M. Forthcoming. Employee capability discontinuities and firm knowledge space. *Organization Science* 

Rogan M. 2014. Executive departures without client losses: The role of multiplex ties in exchange partner retention. *Academy of Management Journal* **57**(2): 563-584.

Schultz TW. Investment in Human Capital. American Economic Review 51(1): 1-17

Somaya D, Williamson I, Lorinkova N. 2008. Gone but not Lost: The different

performance impacts of employee mobility between cooperators versus competitors. *Academy of Management Journal* **51**(5): 936-953.

Sorenson O, Rogan M. 2014. (When) do organizations have social capital? *Annual Review of Sociology* 

Starr, E., Ganco, M., & Campbell, B. 2018. Strategic human capital management in the context of cross-industry and within-industry mobility frictions. *Strategic Management Journal*. 39:2226–2254

# WEEK 9 October 16 (NJ): Emerging Technologies in Management [Readings to be updated]

#### **Discussant:**

- Tong, S., Jia, N., Luo, X., & Fang, Z. (2021). The Janus face of artificial intelligence feedback: Deployment versus disclosure effects on employee performance. *Strategic Management Journal*, 42(9): 1600-1631. <u>https://doi.org/10.1002/smj.3322</u>
- Choudhury, P., Starr, E., & Agarwal, R. 2020. Machine learning and human capital complementarities: Experimental evidence on bias mitigation. *Strategic Management Journal*, 41(8): 1381-1411.
- Allen, R., & Choudhury, P. (2022). Algorithm-augmented work and domain experience: The countervailing forces of ability and aversion. Organization Science, 33(1), 149-169.

#### **Discussant:**

- Newman, David, Nathanael Fast, and Derek Harmon (2020), "When Eliminating Bias Isn't Fair: Algorithmic Reductionism and Procedural Justice in Human Resource Decisions," Organizational Behavior and Human Decision Processes.
- Lebovitz, S., Lifshitz-Assaf, H., & Levina, N. (2022). To engage or not to engage with AI for critical judgments: How professionals deal with opacity when using AI for medical diagnosis. Organization Science, 33(1), 126-148.
- Jia N., Luo X. Fang Z., Chen H., Unleashing Employee Creativity: Evidence on AI Assistance and Employee Job Performance, Working paper

# ADDITIONAL READINGS

- Glikson E, Woolley A.W. (2020) "Human Trust in Artificial Intelligence: Review of Empirical Research" Academy of Management Annals, In press https://doi.org/10.5465/annals.2018.0057
- Curchod, Corentin, Gerardo Patriotta, Laurie Cohen, and Nicolas Neysen (2020), "Working for an Algorithm: Power Asymmetries and Agency in Online Work Settings," Administrative Science Quarterly 2020, Vol. 65(3)644–676
- Bai, Bing, Hengchen Dai, Dennis Zhang, Fuqiang Zhang, and Haoyuan Hu (2020), "The Impacts of Algorithmic Work Assignment on Fairness Perceptions and Productivity: Evidence from Field Experiments," *SSRN Electronic Journal*. <u>https://ssrn.com/abstract=3550887</u>
- Jia N., Luo X., Fang Z., Xu B. "Can Artificial Intelligence (AI) Substitute or Complement Managers? Divergent Outcomes for Transformational and Transactional Managers in a Field Experiment." Working paper
- Leavitt, Keith; Kira Schabram; Prashanth Hariharan; Christopher M. Barnes, 2021, "Ghost in the Machine: On Organizational Theory in the Age of Machine Learning" *Academy of Management Review*, forthcoming

- Balasubramanian, Natarajan, Yang Ye, and Mingtao Xu (2021) "Substituting Human Decision-Making with Machine Learning: Implications for Organizational Learning," *Academy of Management Review*, forthcoming
- Murray, Alex, Jen Rhymer, and David Sirmon, 2020, "Humans And Technology: Forms Of Conjoined Agency In Organizations," *Academy of Management Review*, 46(3): 552-571
- Raisch, Sebastian, Sebastian Krakowski, 2021, "Artificial Intelligence And Management: The Automation–Augmentation Paradox," *Academy of Management Review* 46(1): 192-210
- Wang, Bin, Yukun Liu, Sharon Parker, 2020, "How Does The Use Of Information Communication Technology Affect Individuals? A Work Design Perspective," Academy of Management Annals, 14(2): 695-725
- Kellogg, Katherine; Melissa Valentine, Angele Christin, 2020, "Algorithms At Work: The New Contested Terrain Of Control," Academy of Management Annals, 14(1): 366-410
- Csaszar, Felipe A.; Tom Steinberger, 2021, "Organizations as Artificial Intelligences: The Use of Artificial Intelligence Analogies in Organization Theory" Academy of Management Annals, forthcoming
- Gregory, Robert Wayne, Ola Henfridsson, Kaganer, and Kyriakou, 2021, "The Role of Artificial Intelligence and Data Network Effects for Creating User Value," *Academy of Management Review*, 46(3): 534-551
- Clough, David and Andy Wu, 2021, "Artificial Intelligence, Data-Driven Learning, and the Decentralized Structure of Platform Ecosystems", *Academy of Management Review*, forthcoming (dialogue)
- Gregory, Robert Wayne, Ola Henfridsson, Kaganer, and Kyriakou, 2021, "Data Network Effects: Key Conditions, Shared Data, and the Data Value Duality" *Academy of Management Review*, forthcoming (dialogue)

Tang, P. M., Koopman, J., McClean, S. T., Zhang, J. H., Li, C. H., De Cremer, D., ... & Ng, C. T. S. (2021). When conscientious employees meet intelligent machines: An integrative approach inspired by complementarity theory and role theory. Academy of Management Journal, (ja).

# WEEK 10 October 23 (Nandini Rajagopalan & NJ): Corporate Governance: Boards of Directors and Top Management Teams

#### **Discussant:**

Davis, G.F. 1991. "Agents without principles? The spread of the poison pill through the intercorporate network". <u>Administrative Science Quarterly</u>, 36, 583-613.

Hillman, A.J. & T. Dalziel. 2003. "Boards of directors and firm performance: Integrating agency and resource dependence perspectives". <u>Academy of Management Review</u>, 28(3), 383-396.

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- How do you define organization design? What is it? What isn't it?
- Why did organization design drop off the academic radar? Why do you think it has picked up?
- Why is it difficult studying issues specifically about organizational structure?

- What theories do you think are most appropriate to understand the relationship between structure and strategy outcomes?
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