

# YU NU

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## EMPLOYMENT

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**University of South Carolina**

Darla Moore School of Business

Assistant Professor of Management Science

Columbia, SC

2025 - present

## EDUCATION

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**Cornell Tech/Cornell University**

Ph.D. in Operations, Technology & Information Management (GPA: 4.0+/4.0)

Cornell SC Johnson College of Business

New York, NY

2019 - 2025

**Wuhan University**

B.S. in Management Science and Engineering (with highest honors)

Wuhan, China

2015 - 2019

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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*Topic:* Food Waste, Sustainability, AI and Operations, Digital Technology, Data-Driven Perishable Inventory Management

*Methodology:* Econometric Causal Inference, Machine Learning, Data-Driven Optimization, Experiments

## RESEARCH PAPERS

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### Papers Under-Review and In-Progress

1. “[Using Artificial Intelligence to Reduce Food Waste](#).” with Elena Belavina and Karan Girotra, Major Revision at *Management Science*.
  - Climate Solutions Fund’s Award Recipient 2024 [[CORNELL CHRONICLE](#)]
  - Finalist, INFORMS Technology, Innovation Management, and Entrepreneurship Section’s (TIMES) Best Working Paper Competition 2024
  - Accepted for Wharton Empirical Operations Management Workshop 2024
  - Invited for First OM Workshop on Food Waste Reduction 2024
2. “AI Co-Pilots for Data-driven Perishable Inventory Management.” with Meng Qi, Elena Belavina and Karan Girotra, *Draft Available Upon Request*.
  - Accepted for Cornell ORIE Young Researchers Workshop (Poster Session) 2024
  - Accepted for Early-Career Sustainable Operations Workshop 2023
3. “An Experimental Study on Integrating Algorithmic Prescriptions with Human Operators’ Workflows in Commercial Kitchens.” with Meng Qi, Elena Belavina and Karan Girotra, *Work in Progress*.
  - Field experiment in progress with Winnow Solutions
4. “Food Waste Management in Commercial Kitchens: Regular Times vs. COVID Times.” with Elena Belavina and Karan Girotra, *Work in Progress*.

### Undergraduate Research

1. “Pricing and Capacity Allocation: Implications for Manufacturers with Product Sharing.” with Bin Dai, *Naval Research Logistics* 2020, 67(3): 201-222.
2. “Interactions of Traceability and Reliability Optimization in a Competitive Supply Chain with Product Recall.” with Bin Dai and Jianbin Li, *European Journal of Operational Research* 2021, 290(1): 116-131.

## HONORS & AWARDS

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Climate Solutions Fund Award (\$111,114), Atkinson Center for Sustainability	2024
Byron E. Grote Johnson Professional Scholarship, Cornell University	2020, 2022
Graduate School Fellowship, Cornell University	2019–2024
Wuhan Outstanding Graduates Award, Wuhan University	2019
National Scholarship (Top 1.8%), Wuhan University	2016–2018

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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<b>Instructor</b>	University of South Carolina
◊ Applied Statistics for Business (scheduled)	Fall 2025
<b>Co-instructor</b>	Cornell Tech
◊ Tutorial Sessions for NCCY 5080 Operations Management (MBA), 4.85/5	Fall 2022
◊ Tutorial Sessions for NCCW 5080 Service Operations (Healthcare EMBA), 4.80/5	Summer 2022
◊ Tutorial Sessions for NCCY 5080 Operations Management (MBA), 4.82/5	Fall 2021
<b>Teaching Assistant</b>	Cornell Tech
◊ NBAY 6760 Decision Models (MBA)	Fall 2024
◊ NCCE 5080 Managing Operations (EMBA), 4.60/5	Spring 2022
◊ NCCE 5080 Managing Operations (EMBA)	Spring 2021
◊ NCCY 5080 Operations Management (MBA)	Fall 2020

## SELECTED INVITED TALKS

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<b>“Using Artificial Intelligence to Reduce Food Waste”</b>	
◊ University of Colorado Boulder - Leeds School of Business	Dec 2024
◊ Peking University - HSBC Business School	Dec 2024
◊ Chinese University of Hong Kong - Shenzhen	Dec 2024
◊ London Business School	Dec 2024
◊ University of South Carolina - Darla Moore School of Business	Nov 2024
◊ INFORMS Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA	Oct 2024
◊ Wharton Empirical Operations Management Workshop, Philadelphia, PA	Oct 2024
◊ First OM Workshop on Food Waste Reduction, Munich, Germany	Sep 2024
◊ INFORMS Annual Meeting, Phoenix, AZ	Oct 2023
◊ INFORMS MSOM Conference, Montreal, QC, Canada	Jun 2023
◊ CHR Board Annual Meeting, New York, NY	Nov 2022
◊ Johnson OTIM PhD Forum, Ithaca, NY	Dec 2021

◇ INFORMS Annual Meeting, Anaheim, CA	Oct 2021
<b>“AI Co-Pilots for Data-driven Perishable Inventory Management”</b>	
◇ INFORMS Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA (scheduled)	Oct 2025
◇ INFORMS MSOM Conference, Minneapolis, MN	Jun 2024
◇ Early-Career Sustainable OM Workshop, Amherst, MA	Feb 2023
◇ INFORMS Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, IN	Oct 2022
<b>“Pricing and Capacity Allocation: Implications for Manufacturers with Product Sharing”</b>	
◇ POMS-HK International Conference, Hong Kong	Jan 2018, 2019
<b>“Interactions of Traceability and Reliability Optimization in a Competitive Supply Chain with Product Recall”</b>	
◇ International Workshop on Behavioral Operations Management, Guangzhou	Dec 2018

## SERVICE

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◇ Ad hoc reviewer for <i>Production &amp; Operations Management</i>	2025
◇ Session Chair, INFORMS Annual Meeting	2024
◇ Reviewer for INFORMS BOM Best Working Paper Competition	2024
◇ Program Committee Member for INFORMS Data Science Workshop	2024
◇ Co-chair, Johnson OTIM PhD Forum, Cornell University	2021–2022

## SKILLS

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- ◇ **Programming:** Python, R, Matlab, SQL, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Lyx
- ◇ **Language:** Mandarin (native), English (fluent)
- ◇ **Music:** Violin (Member of Jiangsu Musicians Association, China)