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### CURRENT POSITION

- Professor, Department of Economics, Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2022 - present

### PAST EMPLOYMENT

- Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2015 - 2022
- Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Lingnan University, Hong Kong, 2012 - 2015
- Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Lingnan University, Hong Kong, 2006 - 2012
- Post-Doctoral Associate and Lecturer, Council on East Asian Studies, Yale University, 2005 - 2006
- Visiting Research Fellow, Center for China Studies, Tsinghua University, 1999 - 2000

### EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Economics, University of Pittsburgh, USA, 2005
- M.A., Economics, Renmin University of China, China, 1997
- B.A., Economics, Renmin University of China, China, 1994

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Chinese Economy
- International Trade
- Economic Development

## PUBLICATIONS

- “Migrants and Firms: Evidence from China” (2022) with Clement Imbert, Marlon Seror and Yanos Zylberberg, *American Economic Review*, 112(6), 1885-1914.
- “Recent Productivity Trends in China: Evidence from Macro- and Firm-Level Data” (2022) with Loren Brandt, John Litwoc, Elitza Mikva, Luhang Wang and Luan Zhao, *China: An International Journal*, 20(1), 93-113.
- “Moving ‘Umbrella’: Bureaucratic Transfers and the Comovement of Interregional Investment in China” (2021) with Xiangyu Shi, Tianyang Xi and Xiaobo Zhang, *Journal of Development Economics*, 153, 102717.
- “Do Multinationals Transfer Culture? Evidence on Female Employment in China” (2021) with Heiwai Tang, *Journal of International Economics*, 133, 103518.
- “How do Households Adjust to Tariff Liberalization? Evidence from China’s WTO Accession” (2021) with Mi Dai and Wei Huang, *Journal of Development Economics*, 150, 102628.
- “Persistent Effects of Initial Labor Market Conditions: The Case of China's Tariff Liberalization After WTO Accession” (2020) with Mi Dai and Wei Huang, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, 178, 566-581.
- “The Impacts of Import Tariff Reduction on Income Growth and Distribution in Urban China” (2020) with Mi Dai, in Chin Hee Hahn, Dionisius Narjoko, Ha Thi Thanh Doan and Shujiro Urata (ed.) *The Effects of Globalisation on Firm and Labour Performance*, Routledge.
- “WTO Accession and Performance of Chinese Manufacturing Firms” (2017) with Loren Brandt, Johannes Van Biesebroeck and Luhang Wang, *American Economic Review*, 107(9), 2784-2820.
- “A Fire Sale without Fire: An Explanation of Labor Intensive FDI in China” (2016) with Yasheng Huang, Yue Ma and Zhi Yang, *Journal of Comparative Economics*, 44(4), 884-901.
- “Challenges of Working with the Chinese NBS Firm-Level Data” (2014) with Loren Brandt and Johannes Van Biesebroeck, *China Economic Review*, 30, 339-352.
- “Factor Intensity, Product Switching and Productivity: Evidence from Chinese Exporters” (2014) with Yue Ma and Heiwai Tang, *Journal of International Economics*, 92(2), 349-362.
- “Exchange Rates and the Margins of Trade: Evidence from Chinese Exporters” (2012) with Heiwai Tang, *CESifo Economic Studies*, 58(4), 671-702.
- “Complex Goods’ Exports and Institutions: Empirics at the Firm Level” (2012) with Baozhi Qu and Yue Ma, *Review of International Economics*, 20(4), 841-853.
- “Creative Accounting or Creative Destruction? Firm-level Productivity Growth in Chinese Manufacturing” (2012) with Loren Brandt and Johannes Van Biesebroeck, *Journal of Development Economics*, 97(2), 339-351.
- “Effect of Income Distribution on the Environmental Kuznets Curve” (2011) with Baozhi Qu, *Pacific Economic Review*, 16(3), 349-370.
- “Judicial Quality, Contract Intensity and Trade: Firm Level Evidence from Developing and Transition Countries” (2010) with Yue Ma and Baozhi Qu, *Journal of Comparative Economics*, 38(2), 146-159.
- “Do Chinese Domestic Firms Benefit from FDI Inflow? Evidence of Horizontal and Vertical Spillovers” (2009) with Ping Lin and Zhuomin Liu, *China Economic Review*, 20(4), 677-691.

- “Productivity Growth and Convergence across China's Industrial Economy” (2008) with Gary Jefferson and Thomas Rawski, *Journal of Chinese Economic and Business Studies*, 6(2), 120-141.
- “Local Government and Private Sector Development in China” (2006) in Shuming Bao, Shuanglin Lin and Changwen Zhao (ed.), *Chinese Economy after WTO Accession*, UK: Ashgate Publishing Ltd.

## WORKING PAPERS

- “Quality Differentiation and Trade Intermediation” with Heiwai Tang, R&R, *Journal of International Economics*.
- “Productivity Growth of Chinese Firms: 1998-2013” with Loren Brandt, Johannes Van Biesebroeck and Luhang Wang.

## COURSES TAUGHT

- Economy of China, Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Business Environment of China, Chinese University of Hong Kong
- International Trade, Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Introduction to Economics, Lingnan University
- Intermediate Microeconomics, Lingnan University
- The Chinese Economy, Lingnan University
- Financial Econometrics, Lingnan University
- Economic Growth in East Asia, Yale University
- Introduction to Macroeconomics, University of Pittsburgh

## EXTERNAL RESEARCH GRANTS

- Principal investigator, RGC General Research Fund, “The Failure of Capital Control: Transaction-Level Evidence of Hot Money Flows through Trade Misinvoicing”, HK\$364,378 (2017-2019).
- Principal investigator, RGC General Research Fund, “Exchange Rate Movements and Export Behavior of Chinese Firms”, HK\$336,462 (2011-2013).
- Co-investigator, RGC Public Policy Research Funding Scheme, “Hong Kong as an International Financial Centre for China and for the World” HK\$1,400,000 (2008-2010).

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

- Associate editor, *China Economic Review*, 2018 –

- Consultant, World Bank, 2016-2018
- Consultant, Asian Development Bank, 2011-2015
- External examiner, Faculty of Business, Chu Hai College of Higher Education, Hong Kong, 2011-
- Affiliate fellow, Pan Sutong Shanghai-Hong Kong Economic Policy Research Institute, Lingnan University, 2015-
- External academic advisor, MSc International and Development Economics Program, Lingnan University, 2016-
- External reviewer, MSc Economics Program, CUHK Shenzhen, 2020-
- External examiner for PhD thesis: CityU (2020), HKU (2013, 2018, 2021, 2022), Lingnan U (2019), NTU (2015), NUS (2014, 2018).
- Media interview: Caixin, Dollar Business, Financial Times, Fortune, Hong Kong Economic Journal, Hong Kong Economic Journal Monthly, Izvestia, South China Morning Post, Sputnik Radio, Southern Weekly, Swiss Radio, Voice of America.

## REFeree SERVICE

- American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics, Bulletin of Economic Research, Canadian Journal of Economics, China: An International Journal, China Economic Review, Contemporary Economic Policy, Economic Inquiry, Economic Journal, Economics Bulletin, Economics of Transition, European Economic Review, International Economic Review, Journal of Chinese Economic and Business Studies, Journal of Comparative Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Economic Survey, Journal of European Economic Association, Journal of Industrial Economics, Journal of International Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Productivity Analysis, Journal of Urban Economics, National Tax Journal, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, Oxford Economic Papers, Pacific Economic Review, Review of Economic Dynamics, Review of Economic Studies, Review of Economics and Statistics, Review of Industrial Organization, Review of World Economics, Singapore Economic Review, World Development, World Economy.

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Citizenship: Chinese
- Hong Kong permanent resident
- Marital Status: Married with two children

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