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Employment

- **University of Alberta**, Department of Economics
Assistant Professor, 2019-present

Education

- Ph.D. in Economics, Purdue University, 2019.
Committee: Chong Xiang(chair), Anson Soderbery, David Hummels, Farid Farrokhi, Mohitosh Kejriwal
- M.S. in Economics, London School of Economics and Political Science, 2012
- B.S. in Economics and Finance, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, 2011, with First Class Honor.
Exchange student: University of California, Los Angeles, Fall 2010.

Research Fields

International Trade, Applied Microeconomics, Empirical Industrial Organization

Working Papers

- “Reputation of Quality in International Trade: Evidence from Consumer Product Recalls” (Job Market Paper)
- “When Opportunity Knocks: China’s Open Door Policy and Declining Educational Attainment” with Kendall Kennedy and Xuan Jiang

Work in Progress

- “Reputation, optimal quality investment and firm’s export decisions”
- “Creative Learning”

Conferences and Seminars

“Reputation of Quality in International Trade: Evidence from Consumer Product Recalls”

2019: Aarhus University; Auburn University; Bocconi University; University of Alberta; University of Copenhagen;
2018: Midwest International Economics Group Meeting, Vanderbilt University; Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Washington DC;
2017: Midwest Economics Association Annual Conference, Cincinnati, OH; Southern Economics Association Annual Meeting, Tampa FL;
2016: Krannert Ph.D. Research Symposium

“When Opportunity Knocks: China’s Open Door Policy and Declining Educational Attainment”

2020: Eastern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Boston;
2018: Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Washington DC; Asian and Australasian Society of Labour Economics (AASLE) Conference, Seoul, South Korea

As Discussant

2021: 14th Southeastern International/Development Economics Workshop
2018: Empirical Investigations in International Trade, Purdue University;
2017: Southern Economics Association Annual Meeting, Tampa FL;

Grants and Scholarships

- University of Alberta Faculty Start-up Grant
- Purdue Research Foundation (PRF) Research Grants, 2016-2017
- HKUST Scholarship for outstanding continuing UG students, 2008-2010
- AIG Foundation Scholarship, 2008-2011

Teaching Experiences

University of Alberta

- International Trade
- Intermediate Microeconomic Theory II
- International Economics
- Selected Topics in Economics (Introductory data analysis with Python)

Purdue University

- International Trade
- Macroeconomics

Referee Services

Canadian Journal of Economics, European Economic Review, The Review of Economics and Statistics, Review of International Economics

Other Skills

- Languages: English (Proficient), Cantonese (Native), Mandarin Chinese (Native).
- Analytical software: MatLab, Stata, Mathematica