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## Education

- 2017–2022 **Ph.D. in Economics (Expected, Supervisor: Xiaobo Zhang).**  
National School of Development, **Peking University**, Beijing, China
- 2019–2020 **Graduate Visiting Student (Co-supervisor: Loren Brandt).**  
Department of Economics, University of Toronto, Toronto ON, Canada
- 2013–2017 **B.A in Economics & Finance (with Honors).**  
Southwestern University of Finance and Economics, Chengdu, China
- 2015–2016 **Undergraduate Visiting Student.**  
Department of Economics, Texas A&M University, College Station TX, USA

## Current Position

- 2018–Present **Research Associate.**  
Center for Enterprise Research, Peking University, Beijing, China  
**Objective:** Maintained and updated a random-sampled and national-representative longitude data set of small-and-medium-sized enterprises (SME) and their entrepreneurs in China (project titled "*Enterprise Survey for Innovation and Entrepreneurship in China*", ESIEC) in regard to SMEs' start-ups, operation, performance, and growth.  
**Duty:** Designed and modified questionnaires; Trained and Supervised surveyors in field; Interviewed face-to-face approximately two hundred entrepreneurs across 2 waves and 6 cities in China; Provided consultancies for the public-sector combing administrative data with ESIEC.

## Research Fields

- Primary **Development Economics, Urban Economics.**  
Secondary **Industrial Organization, Entrepreneurship.**

## Working Papers

- 2020 **Annexation for Agglomeration: From a Neighbor to a Family Member.**  
with Shihe Fu (XMU), Jingjing Ye (SWUFE)
- 2020 **Endowment-Congruent Technical Change: Theory and Evidence from China.**  
with Zhongchen Fan (PKU)
- 2019 **Why Are There So Many Veteran Entrepreneurs?.**  
with Xiaobo Zhang (PKU & IFPRI)

## Working In Progress

- **Industrial and Regional Development in China.**  
with Loren Brandt (UofT), Gilles Duranton (UPenn & LSE & CEPR)
- **From Kinship to Market: FDI and Institutional Change in China.**  
with Ruichi Xiong (UofT)
- **Seeding the Growth: FDI as Catalyst for Local Industrial Development.**  
with Xiaobo Zhang (PKU & IFPRI), Xin Wang (PKU)

## Book Chapters

- 2019 **Resource Curse, Government Failure, and the Hollow County**.  
*Narratives on Chinese Grassroot Entrepreneurs*, edited by Xiaobo Zhang, Peking University Press
- 2019 **The Swallow Return, the Farmland Prosper**.  
*Narratives on Chinese Grassroot Entrepreneurs*, edited by Xiaobo Zhang, Peking University Press

## Consultancies

- Dec'18- **Seeking New Economic Impetus**.  
Apr'19 National Development and Reform Commission of Jining Prefectural Government, Shandong, China  
**Objective:** To provide quantitative and qualitative analysis of and policy guidance on regional industrial development for Jining Prefecture, with special focus on fostering high-tech clusters.  
**Duty:** Designed and improved measurements and index constructions; Programmed for data retrieval, compiling, cleaning, visualizing from multiple administrative data (business registrations, social security records, administrative punishments, patents and trademarks, etc.); Drafted reports with econometric insights.
- Feb'17- **Improving Environmental Governance for Major River Basins**.  
Apr'19 National Development and Reform Commission of Fujian Provincial Government, Fujian, China  
**Objective:** To gather first-hand data and provide practical insights for the implementation of an anti-water-pollution transfer payment program.  
**Duty:** Interviewed officials from local environment protection institutions, collected data, analyzed data, and drafted research reports.

## Conferences & Workshops (\* denotes invited talks)

- 2020 China International Law Workshop (\*, University of Toronto), Chinese Economists Society 2020 North America Conference (Harvard University, Virtual), New Structural Economics Frontier Workshop (Xinjiang University of Finance and Economics, Virtual), Institute of National Development of Southeast University (\*), New Structural Economics Discussion Panel (Xi'an Jiaotong University, Virtual), Dongbei University of Finance and Economics (\*), International Annual Conference for China Development Theory (Renmin University of China, Virtual), 2020 Annual Conference of China Economics Society (HSBC Business School of Peking University)
- 2019 Beijing Institute of Southwestern University of Finance and Economics (\*), Camphor Economic Circle 2019 Xi'an Workshop (Xi'an University of Architecture and Technology)
- 2018 2018 Annual Conference of China Economics Society (Sun Yat-Sen University)

## Referee Service

China Economic Review

## Honours and Grant

- 2020 **China Research Initiative Grant**. Rotman School of Management, University of Toronto
- 2018 **Academic Excellence Scholarship**. National School of Development, Peking University
- 2017-Present **Graduate Fellowship**. National School of Development, Peking University
- 2016-Present **Tang Lixin Guanghua Elite Fellowship**. Shingsun Group
- 2016 **Undergraduate Visiting Scholarship**. China Scholarship Counsel
- 2015 **Zhejiang Energy Entrepreneurship Fellowship**. Zhejiang Energy Group Company Ltd.

## Teaching Experience

- 2020 **Topics on Chinese Economy (Undergraduate)**.  
Teaching Assistant for Mr.Gao Xu (Chief Economist at BOCI Securities)

2019 **Mangerial Economics (MBA).**

Teaching Assistant for Prof.Xiaoyan Lei, National School of Development, Peking University

2019 **Macroeconomics (Ph.D.).**

Teaching Assistant for Prof.Han Han, Institute of South-South Cooperation and Development, Peking University

2018 **Public Policy: Microeconomics (Master).**

Teaching Assistant for Prof.Xiaoyan Lei, Institute of South-South Cooperation and Development, Peking University

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## **Skills**

Language English (Fluent); Chinese (Native)

Programming Stata, MATLAB, Python, SQL, ArcGIS, LaTeX

Miscellaneous Guitar, Marathon, Certified Answer Provider for Economics @ ZHIHU.COM (Chinese Quora)