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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Lecturer (Assistant Professor)

11/2023 - Present

School of Public Finance and Taxation, Southwestern University of Finance and Economics, China

Visiting Scholar 11/2021 – 12/2022

Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota Twin cities, United States

Researcher in Infrastructure Investment and Financing

7/2018 - 8/2019

Beijing Bridata Technology Co., Ltd., Research Department, China

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Public Finance

09/2019 - 10/2023

Dept. of Public Finance and Taxation, Central University of Finance and Economics, China

M.A. in Public Finance

09/2015 - 07/2018

Dept. of Economics, Qingdao University, China

B.S. in Statistics

09/2011 - 07/2015

Dept. of Economics, Qingdao University, China

EDITORIAL POSITION

2025-now Editorial Board Member, Review of Policy Research (AJG/ABS 2 rated journal) Link

ACADEMIC SERVICES

Manuscript Reviewer

Manuscripts from Economics of Governance, Finance Research Letters, Health Economics Review, Humanities and Social Sciences Communications, Journal of Technology Transfer, Journal of Infrastructure Policy and Development, Journal of Risk and Financial Management, International Journal of Accounting and Information Management, PLOS ONE, Scientific Reports, Sustainability, Infrastructures, Buildings, etc.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS (Last Five Years)

Published peer-reviewed papers (* corresponding author):

Shikun Qin, Jerry Zhirong Zhao. Public-Private or Public-Public? Exploring Factors Affecting Private Participation in China's PPPs [J]. *Review of Policy Research*, 2025. Link

Shikun Qin, Hui Kong, Jerry Zhirong Zhao. Spatial diffusion of public-private partnership (PPP) in China: A county-level analysis[J]. *Cities*, 2024. Link

Shikun Qin, Weijie Luo. Exploring local government financing strategies in China: A capital structure perspective[J]. *Public Performance & Management Review*, 2022. Link

- Weijie Luo, **Shikun Qin***. China's local political turnover in the Twenty-First Century[J]. *Journal of Chinese Political Science*, 2021. Link
- **Shikun Qin**, Weijie Luo, Yaling Wang. Policy uncertainty and firm-level investment: Evidence from public-private partnership market in China[J]. *Applied Economics Letters*, 2022. Link
- Xiangwen Zheng, Xiaolin Li, **Shikun Qin** *. Does childhood traumatic experience affect household life insurance demand in middle and older ages? Evidence from the 1959-1961 Great Chinese Famine[J]. *Applied Economics Letters*, 2024. Link
- Sin Lin, **Shikun Qin**, Li Peng, et al. Assessing geographic barriers to access long-term services and supports in Chengdu, China: A spatial accessibility analysis[J]. *Sustainability*, 2025. Link
- **Shikun Qin**, Yaling Wang, Xiaowen Yang. Policy innovation diffusion and PPP spatial distribution[J]. *China Finance and Economic Review*, 2022. Link
- Shikun Qin, Haitao Ma. The rise of livelihood expenditure in China: Evidence from tax reduction policies [J]. *China Soft Science* (中国软科学), 2025. (in Chinese) Link
- Haitao Ma, **Shikun Qin** *. Fiscal rules and local government behavior. *Modern Economic Science* (当 代经济科学), 2023. (*in Chinese*) Link
- Haitao Ma, **Shikun Qin** *. How fiscal stress affects local welfare expenditures. *Economic Perspectives* (经济学动态), 2022. (*in Chinese*) Link
- Shikun Qin, Yaling Wang, Xiaowen Yang. Policy innovation diffusion and PPP spatial distribution. *Finance & Trade Economics (财贸经济)*, 2021. (in Chinese) Link
- Shikun Qin. Risk identification of urban fiscal stress in China. Journal of Central University of Finance & Economics (中央财经大学学报), 2020. (in Chinese) Link
- Yue Liu, **Shikun Qin**, Yingzi Jia. Reflections on China's PPP information disclosure mechanism. *Fiscal Science* (*财政科学*), 2020. (*in Chinese*) Link

Books:

Haitao Ma, Laicheng Wen, Tangzhe Cao, **Shikun Qin**. Performance Management of Public-Private Partnership (PPP) Projects: Theory and Practice. China Financial & Economic Publishing House, 2021. (*in Chinese*) Link

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- "Attraction of Private Capital through Public-Private Partnerships in the Transportation Sector: Evidence from China", 2022 Association for Budgeting and Financial Management (ABFM) Conference, Miami
- "Debt Stress, Fiscal Decentralization, and Expenditure Cutting", **2022 Association for Budgeting and Financial Management (ABFM) Conference**, Miami
- "Local Government Financing Behavior Under Budget Constraints: A Test Based on the Capital Structure Theory", The Chinese Economists Society 2021 Annual Conference, Online

PROJECTS

Local Government Financing Since the New Budget Law: Evolution, Impact, and Governance (2022 Central University of Finance and Economics Doctoral Student Support Plan)
Role: project lead

TEACHING EXPERIENCES

Southwestern University of Finance and Economics

2023-2024

• Courses: Public Economics, Study on Tax Theory and Practice, Methods and Applications of Policy Analysis

SELECTED AWARDS AND HONORS

•	National Scholarship for Doctoral Students, The Ministry of Education of China, 2023	(¥ 30,000)
•	Academic Star, Central University of Finance and Economics, 2023	(¥ 10,000)
•	Graduate Academic Award, Central University of Finance and Economics, 2022	(¥ 5,000)
•	OpenAI Researcher Access Program	(\$ 4,000)

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

- Language: Mandarin (Native), English
- Programming language: Stata (Proficient), Python
- Tools: ArcGIS, Gephi, Pajek, Netlogo
- Statistical models: DID, IV regression, Spatial data analysis, Text analysis, Social network analysis (SNA), Agent-based model (ABM)

Member of the Association

• China-America Association for Public Affairs (CAAPA)

2024-2025