# JIAKAI ZHANG

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#### **EDUCATION**

The Graduate Center at City University of New York

Aug 2016 - present

PhD candidate in Economics

Approved field exams: Public Finance, and Macroeconomics.

State University of New York at Binghamton

Sep 2014 - May 2016

M.A. in Economics

Northwest University, China

Sep 2010 - May 2014

B.A. in Economics

### FIELDS OF SPECIALIZATION

**Primary:** Public Economics, Development Economics

**Secondary:** Macroeconomics, Urban Economics, Chinese Economy

### WORKING PAPERS

"Rent-tax substitution and its impact on firms: Evidence from housing purchase limits policy in China", with Renjie Zhao. (under review at Regional Science and Urban Economics)

"The effect of population aging on pension enforcement: Do firms bear the burden?", with Renjie Zhao. (under review at *Journal of Pension Economics & Finance*)

"Do Direct-administered municipalities work? Evidence from Chongqing municipality in China", with Meng-Ting Chen.

"Judicial Independence and Corporate Investment: Evidence from Judicial De-localization Reform in China", with Renjie Zhao, (under review at *China Economic Quarterly* (in Chinese))

"Economic Growth, Fiscal Inequality, and Fiscal Decentralization: Evidence from China".

### WORKING IN PROGRESS

"Vertical Fiscal Imbalance and Regional Competition: a spatial data analysis", with Timothy Goodspeed.

"Fiscal centralization versus decentralization: Growth, inequality, and welfare effects of spillovers and capital mobility".

### OLDER PAPERS

"Financial integration and firm performance: Evidence from foreign capital entry in China", 2018

"Research on Dynamic Characteristics of Economics, Energy and Environment in Shaanxi", Modern Economics (in Chinese), 2015

# TEACHING EXPERIENCES

# Adjunct Instructor at Brooklyn College (2018 - Present)

Econ 2200 Elementary Microeconomics

Spring 2018 - Fall 2020

Econ 7021X Advanced Econometrics (master level)

Fall 2018 - Fall 2020

Econ 2100 Elementary Macroeconomics

Summer 2020

Econ 3400 Statistics for Business and Economics

Fall 2018

Adjunct Instructor at Fordham University (2020 - Present)

Econ 2142 Statistical Decision Making

Fall 2020

### SEMINAR AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

76th Annual Congress of the IIPF

MVEA 57th Annual Meeting

October 2020

15th Economics Graduate Student Conference

November 2020

Southern Economic Association 90th Annual Meeting

November 2020

Virtual International Conference (WEAI)

March 2021

## WORK EXPERIENCE (RESEARCH):

Visiting Student New York, NY National Bureau of Economic Research 2019-present Sallie Mae Fellow & Contributor New York, NY, USA Economics Studies Group, The Graduate Center, CUNY 2018-2019 New York, NY, USA Research Assistant: Prof. Timothy Goodspeed, Hunter College, CUNY 2017-2018 Research Assistant: Xi'an, Shaanxi, China Prof. Aiping He, Northwest University 2012-2014

### AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

The Graduate CenterNY, USASallie Mae Fellowship2018-2019Northwest UniversityShaanxi, ChinaFirst-class Scholarship2013-2014

### RELEVANT COURSES

Core CoursesOther CoursesMacroeconomics I & IIComputational EconomicsMicroeconomics I & IIWelfare EconomicsEconometrics I & IIInternational TradePublic FinanceInternational MacroeconomicsApplied MacroeconomicsLabor Economics (NYU)Applied MicroeconomicsPublic Economics & Development (Columbia)

### **SKILLS**

Computer Skills: Stata, R, Matlab, Python, ArcGIS, LATEX, Maple

Language: English (fluent) and Chinese (native)

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