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Research Interests

International Trade and Finance, Labor Economics, Gender Equality

Education

The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Hong Kong, China

Ph.D. in Economics

Jul. 2020 – Present

Supervisor: Professors LIN Shu. GPA: 3.856

Sun Yat-sen University

Guangzhou, China

BA in Economics, minor in Public Administration

Sept. 2016 – Jun. 2020

Mentors: Professors PENG Haoran. GPA: 4.0

Goethe University

Frankfurt, Germany

Exchange student in Economics

Sept. 2018 – Feb. 2019

Honors and

Scholarships

Postgraduate Studentship (Ph.D.) (CUHK)

2020-2024

National Scholarship (Ministry of Education of PRC)

2019

Excellent Member (SYSU)

2018

Working Paper

Input Tariff Liberalization and Gender Disparities: Evidence from China (with Shu LIN)

Abstract: Using China's WTO accession as a natural experiment, we show that input tariff liberalization generates higher income for Chinese manufacturing workers but widens gender income gap. The widened gender income gap is not due to longer working hours by men but an increase in gender wage inequality. We also find that input tariff reductions worsen manufacturing workers' health, and this adverse effect is more pronounced for women. The worsening of gender disparities, however, applies mainly to the unskilled. Finally, we also find that input tariff reductions incentivize women to obtain more education and result in a reduced gender education gap.

Environmental Regulation's Impacts on Enterprises Rent-seeking Behavior (with Jianhua LIU, Guo Chen, Tianlong Liao)

Abstract: Under the background of serious environmental problems and environmental protection becoming an important issue, China has introduced the “most stringent environmental protection law” and implemented the Environmental Inspections to impose strict environmental regulations on enterprises. Compliance with environmental regulations will inevitably bring greater production costs to enterprises. Is it possible for enterprises to avoid regulatory costs through rent-seeking? What factors will affect rent-seeking behavior? The study will use China's New Environmental Protection Law and the Environmental Inspections as a clue to explore the impact of environmental regulations on corporates' rent-seeking behavior and the role that media plays.

Teaching Experience

Teaching assistant, Department of Economics (CUHK)

ECON 5831: Special Topic in Economics II - China Financial Markets Fall 2024

ECON 3610: International Macroeconomics Spring 2024

ECON 4430: Welfare Economics Fall 2023

ECON 3410: Money and Banking Spring 2022 - Spring 2023

ECON 3590: Business Economics Spring 2021

ECON 1210: Economics and Society Fall 2020 & Fall 2021

Skills

Programming

Proficient in: Stata, Python

Familiar with: Matlab

Languages

English (Fluent), Mandarin (Native), Cantonese (Fluent), German (Basic)

Reference

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