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PERSONAL INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

- 09/2022–08/2025 **Ph.D., Regional and Real Estate Economics**
The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
Supervisors: Eddie C.M. Hui, Jianfu Shen
- 09/2024–03/2025 **Visiting Ph.D. Student, NUS Business School**
Department of Real Estate, National University of Singapore
Supervisor: Yu Qin
- 09/2019–06/2022 **M.A. Land Resource Management**
Renmin University of China, School of Public Administration and Policy
Supervisors: Lv Ping, Zheng Hua
- 09/2015–06/2019 **B.A., Land Resource Management**
Renmin University of China, School of Public Administration and Policy

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Regional and Real Estate Economics, Development Economics

PUBLICATIONS AND WORKING PAPERS

Selected Work

1. **Lin, Xin, HUI, E. C. M., CONG, Z., AND SHEN, J.** Solving coordination failures: Collective land transfer rights and rural entrepreneurship. *Journal of Development Economics* 178 (2026), 103609
2. **Lin, Xin, HUI, E. C. M., MA, G., TANG, J., AND SHEN, J.** The arrival of institutional elites: First village secretary and rural entrepreneurship in china. **R&R at American Journal of Agricultural Economics**
3. **Lin, Xin, LIU, F., ZHANG, P., AND ZHENG, S.** Can we balance green and growth? environmental effects of place-based policy. **R&R at Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization**

Other Publications and Working Papers

1. Lin, Xin, Hui, E. C. M., AND SHEN, J. Carbon emissions reduction target and green utilization of land resources: Evidence from the industrial land market in china. *Environmental Impact Assessment Review* 110 (2025), 107677
2. CUI, X., HUI, E. C. M., SHEN, J. F., Lin, Xin, WANG, S., AND HE, F. Homestead withdrawal behaviour of rural migrants in china: The role of joint reform of hukou system and homestead system. *Journal of Rural Studies* 114 (2025), 103526
3. ZHANG, L., Lin, Xin, Hui, E. C. M., AND SHEN, J. Health resilience of green buildings in a dense city: Evidence from covid-19 infections in hong kong. Under Review at Cities
4. ZHOU, J., ZHANG, K., WU, Q., Lin, Xin, AND SHEN, J. Institutional dividend, not fiscal shock: Rural collective land marketization and local government financing in china. Under Review at World Development

Work in Progress

1. When the fields fail: floods and long-term labor reallocation in china. With Jinze Cao (NUS), Haoyu Gao (RUC), and Yu Qin (NUS)
2. AI and real estate market: Experimental evidence. With Yu Qin (NUS), Jubo Yan (NTU), Changwei Zhan (HKU)
3. Building for brilliance: The impact of university expansion on faculty academic productivity. In progress, With Zhenglong Cong (RUC) and Shilin Zheng (UCASS)
4. From tragedy to transition: Severe workplace accidents and government land reallocation in china. With Dong Zhang (PolyU), Eddie C.M. Hui (CityU), Jianfu Shen (PolyU)
5. Connection or competition: The effect of rural broadband on the growth of rural firms. With Eddie C.M. Hui (CityU) and Jianfu Shen (PolyU)
6. Cash or citation: The impact of business education programs on faculty output. With Shilin Zheng (UCASS), Fangrui Liu (PKU), Qingfeng Liu (THU)

RESEARCH PROJECTS

2025-2026	Participant in Hong Kong PPR Funding Scheme: Developing a MiC Data Platform for Reusable Modules in the Transitional Housing Projects, PI: Jianfu Shen
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HONORS AND AWARDS

2025	Best Paper Prize at the 2nd National Doctoral Workshop on Public Administration
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2025	Best Paper Prize for outstanding papers at the 3rd Global Urban Governance and Policy Symposium
2025	Outstanding Paper in Tsinghua University Workshop on Big Data and Causal Inference
2024	Funding for Research Student Attachment Program, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
2022	PhD Research Postgraduate Scholarship, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
2021	National Scholarship for Postgraduates
2021	The Second Best Paper Award for the 2021 China Association of Real Estate Academicians Conference

WORK EXPERIENCES

09/2025-02/2026	Part-time Research Assistant, Department of Building and Real Estate, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Supervisor: Prof. Jianfu Shen
02/2025-08/2025	Part-time Research Assistant, Department of Economics, Lingnan University, Supervisor: Prof. Yonglin Wang

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

August 2025	Presenter for the 17th CEA (Europe) and 36th CEA (UK) Annual Conference, UK
Dec 2024	Presenter for the 2024 SMU-Jinan Conference on Urban and Regional Economics, Singapore
June 2024	Presenter for the 13th European Meeting of Urban Economics, Urban Economics Association, Denmark
Feb 2024	Presenter for the Strategic Entrepreneurship Journal Paper Workshop
Jul 2022 to 2024	Presenter for the 2024/2023/2022 AsRES-GCREC Joint International Real Estate Conference
Oct 2021	Presenter for the 2021 China Association of Real Estate Academicians

TEACHING EXPERIENCES

2023 Fall	Teaching Assistant for Applied Property Investment, Undergraduate level
2023 Summer	Teaching Assistant for Camphor Young Economics Summer School
2023 Spring	Teaching Assistant for Development and Planning, Undergraduate level
2020 Spring	Teaching Assistant for China's Land and Housing Policy, Graduate level

TRAINING AND SCHOOLS

2024	BREAD-IGC Virtual PhD Course on Urban Economics
2022/2023	Camphor Young Economists Program (Summer School)

REFEREE SERVICE

The Journal of Quantitative & Technical Economics (In Chinese)

SKILLS AND LANGUAGES

Software Skills	Stata, ArcGIS, Python, LaTeX
Landguages	Chinese (native), English (fluent; IELTS: 7.5/9)

REFEREES

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