

AMOUNT OF TIME AS AN ACTIVE RESEARCHER

I was awarded my PhD 13 years ago in 2010 and in that period, I have experienced no career interruptions.

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

- In graduate school, I was awarded the Edmund S. Muskie Graduate Fellowship, which was a program of the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the United States Department of State.
- During 2010-2012 I was employed as a post-doctoral research associate at Mississippi State University. This was a 100% research appointment, with some minor administrative responsibilities.
- During 2012-2016 I was employed as a Lecturer at the University of Sydney, initially in the Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, and subsequently in the School of Economics. This appointment has been a standard continuing academic staff position (40% teaching, 40% research, and 20% governance, leadership, and engagement).
- During 2017-2022 I was employed as a Senior Lecturer of Economics at the University of Sydney (40% teaching, 40% research, and 20% governance, leadership, and engagement).
- Since 2023 I have been employed as an Associate Professor of Economics at the University of Sydney (40% teaching, 40% research, and 20% governance, leadership, and engagement).
- During 2017-2019 I served as an Undergraduate Coordinator in the School of Economics. In this role, I handled several hundred cases, which involved student admission, transfers, exchange program participation, and special considerations.
- Since 2018 I have been serving as a co-editor of Food Policy, and in 2022 I started my three-year term as an associate editor of American Journal of Agricultural Economics. In these roles, I manage approximately 80 submissions per year, which involves soliciting reviews, providing feedback, and making decisions on submitted manuscripts.

RESEARCH ACHIEVEMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Research Interests and contributions

During the past decade, I developed the program of research that advances knowledge by applying state of the art econometric analysis techniques to granular data on markets and prices. In recent years, my program branched out into urgent to society topics, such as causes and consequences of conflict and political violence, with specific focus on related market disruptions and inefficiency.

One of the vivid examples of my contribution in advancing of knowledge in the field is my recently accepted article in the American Journal of Agricultural Economics (AJAE), where my co-authors and propose the seasonal model of agrarian violence and examine this model using over two decades of geographically rich data across Africa. Another example is my 2018 article in the AJAE, where I examine the predictive power of climate shocks, induced by the El Nino Southern Oscillation cycle in a large set of primary commodity prices. To date

I have published twenty-three refereed journal articles, including the recent article in the Journal of African Economies that, together with the aforementioned two articles, is of direct relevance to the research question in this application.

Recognition and Impact

My published articles and conference proceedings have been impactful in the scholarly world. My research has been cited more than 850 times (Google Scholar), which has led to h-index 15: both high measures by standards in the field of economics.

My research has attracted the interest of international mainstream media, as well as non-economics community. I have been quoted in well-known outlets, such as The Wall Street Journal, and have published commentaries in The Conversation and Vox EU.

Dissemination

The primary outlet of my research dissemination is peer-reviewed academic journals. Of my twenty-three refereed journal articles, majority of appear in A* and A category journals (based on ABDC journal ranking list). These include American Journal of Agricultural Economics, Health Economics, and Journal of Economic Behaviour and Organization, all top field journals, as well as other highly regarded journals such as Global Environmental Change, Economics Letters, and Australian Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics.

I have actively disseminated my research at invited seminar series and conferences within Australia and overseas. I regularly attend and present at the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) meetings in the United States, and at the Australian Agricultural and Resource Economics Society (AARES) meetings in Australia. I have also presented my research at various other conferences and seminar series in different universities around the world.

Leadership and Engagement

Since 2018, I serve as a co-editor of Food Policy – one of the top journals in my field of expertise. Since 2023, I also serve as an associate editor of American Journal of Agricultural Economics – the top field journal. In these roles, I handle more than 80 submissions per year.

During 2018-2020, I served as a chair-elect and then chair of econometrics section of the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association. In this role I oversaw the sections activities leading to the annual meetings of the Association, which included organizing and coordinating multiple track sessions in different areas of applied econometrics.

In 2014 I served as the president of the NSW branch of the Australian Agricultural and Resource Economics Society.

I have served as a referee to many leading general interest and field journals, including Journal of Econometrics, American Journal of Agricultural Economics, Climatic Change, and many others.

During my tenure at the University of Sydney, I have supervised two PhD students, a Master of Science student, and nearly twenty Honours students. Two of my Honours students are recipients of the University Medal. I have published peer-reviewed articles co-authored with my PhD student and a former Honours student.