Khanh (Kevin) Duong

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Research interests

Socio-economic Inequalities, Computational Social Science, Cross-National Survey Data

Education

Maynooth UniversityMaynooth, IrelandResearch Master in SociologySep 2021 – Sep 2023

Mentors: Eoin Flaherty, Seán Ó Riain

Foreign Trade University Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam Honour Bachelor in International Economics Sep 2012 – Sep 2016

Mentor: Dang Le Phuong Xuan

Honors and Awards

Government of Ireland Postgraduate Research Scholarship

Sep 2021

Sep 2024

by the Irish Research Council, under the award number GOIPG/2021/441

PhD fellowship on Innovation, Governance and S. Development

by UNU-MERIT, under the contract number 606UU-54005105

Relevant experience

Covalen Managed Solutions Ltd, Division of AI

Dublin, Ireland

Generative AI annotator

Feb 2024 - Sep 2024

Accurately annotated AI data according to predefined guidelines; Evaluated the quality of existing data resources and machine learning outputs; Developed and maintained guidelines and procedures for consistent, high-quality classification and content creation; Provided feedback on annotation tasks.

Skill acquisition: Social Media, AI Annotation, Teamwork

UEH Institute of Business Research, Division of Research

HCMC, Vietnam

Research Officer

Nov 2020 – Sep 2021

Published a peer-reviewed book chapter: 'Sustainable Development for Vietnam's Economy in the Context of Globalization and Industrial Revolution 4.0'; Completed two working papers on sustainable development; Drafted national research funding applications. Skill acquisition: Funding Applications, STATA, Teamwork

Indochina Research Ltd, Division of Research

HCMC, Vietnam

Research Executive

Mar 2021 - Sep 2021

Led the TRAFFIC project (awareness of wildlife animal products for disease treatment) N = 600; Led the WHO project (COVID-19 vaccine awareness in Vietnam) N = 1500; Designed and scripted questionnaires by Survey-Togo (a survey Platform); Conducted data analysis with SPSS & Stata, and Q-research; Drafted final reports and described research methods. Skill acquisition: Mixed Research Methodologies, Project Management

Publications

Selected articles (data and code available at GitHub)

- [1] Khanh Duong. Is meritocracy just? new evidence from boolean analysis and machine learning. *Journal of Computational Social Science*, pages 1–27, 2024.
- [2] Khanh Duong. What really matters for global intergenerational mobility? *Plos one*, 19(6):e0302173, 2024.
- [3] Khanh Duong and Eoin Flaherty. Does growth reduce poverty? the mediating role of carbon emissions and income inequality [master's thesis]. *Economic Change and Restructuring*, 56(5):3309–3334, 2023.
- [4] Dong Phong Nguyen, Xuan Vinh Vo, Van Chien Nguyen, Xuan Duc Mai, and Quoc Khanh Duong. Sustainable development for vietnam's economy in the context of globalization and industrial revolution 4.0. *Sustainability and Environmental Decision Making*, pages 281–310, 2021.

Media Coverage

EurekAlert: Family conditions may have more of an impact on upward social mobility than gender inequality, access at https://www.eurekalert.org/news-releases/1048258

Miragenews: Family Status Impacts Social Mobility More Than Gender Bias, access at https://www.miragenews.com/family-status-impacts-social-mobility-more-than-1260294/

Associations Society for the Advancement of Socioeconomics (member) – attending the annual con-

ference of SASE 2022 at the University of Amsterdam, Netherlands; Maynooth University Social Science Institute (member); Maynooth University academic group for Sustainabil-

ity and Just Transition (member)

Peer-review Economic Change and Restructuring; Economics of Innovation and New Technology; So-

cial Science Quarterly; Environment, Development and Sustainability; PLOS ONE

Quantitative methods Time-series Analysis, Panel Data Analysis, Regularized Regression, Logistic Regression,

Dimensionality Reduction, Clustering, Latent Variable Modeling, Causal Inference, Gen-

eralized Random Forests, Social Network Analysis, Text Mining, and Simulation.

Programming skills CRAN-R (expert), Stata (expert), Python (beginner), SPSS (good, but no longer used), La-

tex (good), Word-Excel-Powepoint (expert), Power BI (good, but no longer used), Surey-Togo (good, but no longer used), **GitHub**, Markdown, Jupiter, WordPress, Blogger.

Vietnamese: Native; English: C1 (equivalent); Dutch: A1 (equivalent); Mandarin: A1

(equivalent).

Languages

Volunteering HOMEWORKS - Community Climate Action Projecty Clare, Ireland

Hosted by The Common Knowledge Centre in The Burren, County Clare, Ireland; Funded by the Community Climate Action Programme; Co-created a toolkit designed to facilitate

climate action at the household level; More information available here.

Referees Dr Eoin Flaherty, Assistant Professor of Sociology, Maynooth University, Ireland

Dr Thi Mai Nguyen, Manager of Training Management Department, Foreign Trade Uni-

versity, Vietnam