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### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

Assistant Professor of Economics, Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Hong Kong,  
August 2020-

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Development, Political Economy, Economic History

### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D., Economics, Boston University, 2014-2020

Dissertation Title: *Essays on Development Economics*

Dissertation Committee: Samuel Bazzi, Dilip Mookherjee and Robert A. Margo

B.Soc.Sci. Economics, *First Class Honors*, National University of Singapore, 2011-2014

### **WORKING PAPERS**

"Why Pay the Chief? Land Rents and Political Selection in Indonesia"

### **SELECTED WORK IN PROGRESS**

Ethnic Segregation and Politics (joint with Chun Chee Kok)

Ethnic Segregation and Nation-Building in Southeast Asia

Fewer Alternatives Bring More Donations: A Field Experiment on Online Giving on a Covid-19  
Mutual Aid Platform (joint with Yohanes Eko Riyanto and Masyhur Hilmy)

Transportation Networks and Inter-Ethnic Contact (joint with Thomas Gautier and Alex Rothenberg)

### **INVITED SEMINARS**

**2022-2023** (incl. scheduled): University of Manchester (Applied Economics Lunch)

**2021-2022**: National University of Singapore (Political Science), Hong Kong University of Science  
and Technology (Applied Economics), Australian National University (ACDE Seminar)

**2020-2021**: Northwestern (Equality Development and Globalization Studies)

### **INVITED CONFERENCES**

**2022** (incl. scheduled): ASREC Europe (London)

**2021**: Joint Hong Kong Empirical Microeconomics Workshop (HKU & HKUST), Society for Institutional  
& Organizational Economics (Virtual), Virtual Historical Political Economy Workshop (Virtual),  
3rd International Conference on Globalization & Development (Gottingen, Germany. Virtual)

**2020**: Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics (MIT. Virtual), IEA World Congress (Bali,  
Indonesia)\*, 17th Midwest International Economic Development Conference (Purdue. Virtual),

CSAE Conference 2020: Economic Development in Africa (Oxford, UK. Virtual), PacDev: Pacific Conference for Development Economics (UC Berkeley. Virtual)  
**2019:** Northeast Universities Development Conference (Northwestern), Economic History Association Meeting (Atlanta, GA. Poster Session), Southeast Asia Research Group N.A. Meeting (University of British Columbia. Poster Session)  
**2018:** 17th Nordic Conference on Development Economics (UNU-WIDER. Helsinki, Finland)  
**2017:** Summer School in Development Economics (Prato, Italy)  
 \* Postponed or cancelled due to COVID-19

## RESEARCH GRANTS (ALL AS PI)

University of Hong Kong Faculty Incentive Award, *Ethnic Segregation and Nation-Building* 2021  
 Hong Kong Research Grants Council, Early Career Scheme, *Ethnic Segregation and Nation-Building* 2022-2024  
 University of Hong Kong Start-Up Research Grant, *Ethnic Segregation and Nation-Building* 2020-2022  
 Manuel Abdala Gift Grant, *Ethnic Segregation and Nation-Building* Spring 2020  
 Boston University Initiative on Cities Seed Funding, *Ethnic Segregation and Nation-Building* Fall 2018  
 Graduate Research Abroad Fellowship (Short-Term), *Why Pay the Chief? Land Rents and Political Selection in Indonesia* Fall 2018  
 Economics Department Summer Research Grant, *Why Pay the Chief? Land Rents and Political Selection in Indonesia* Summer 2018  
 GDP Center Summer in the Field, *Why Pay the Chief? Land Rents and Political Selection in Indonesia* Summer 2018

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE & GRANTS

Undergraduate Teaching Reward Scheme (Top 20th Percentile) US\$ 3,200 2020-present  
 Instructor, University of Hong Kong 2020-present  
 Development Economics (Undergraduate)  
 Applied Econometrics (Master's)

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

**Referee:** *Quarterly Journal of Economics* (x1), *World Development*  
 Departmental Service: Seminar Organizing Committee 2020-  
 Departmental Service: Master's in Economics Admission Committee 2021  
 Scientific Committee: Asian & Australasian Society of Labor Economics Conference 2022  
 Conference Organizer: Joint Hong Kong Empirical Microeconomics Workshop 2021  
 Conference Organizer: Applied Economics Workshop, Asia 2021-

## PREVIOUS POSITIONS

Research Assistant for S. Bazzi, Boston University, 2015-2019  
 Visiting Researcher, AKATIGA, Indonesia, 2018  
 Visiting Junior Researcher, SMERU Research Institute, Indonesia Summer 2015, 2016  
 Research Assistant for R. Arunachalam & A. Shenoy, University of Michigan, MI Summer 2013  
 Communications & Research Intern, Centre for Microfinance, India Summer 2012  
 Non-Commissioned Officer, Singapore Armed Forces, Singapore 2009-2011

**ADVISING & PLACEMENT (UNDERGRADUATE)**

Youqing Lin (Master in International and Development Studies, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva, 2022)

**LANGUAGES:**

English (native), Mandarin Chinese (native), Bahasa Indonesia (intermediate)

**REFERENCES**

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