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Employment

Associate Professor (with tenure), University of California, Santa Cruz, 2021–

Assistant Professor, University of California, Santa Cruz, 2013–2021.

Education

Ph.D. in Economics, University of Pennsylvania, 2008–2013. Committee: Jesús Fernández-Villaverde (chair), Dirk Krueger, Frank Schorfheide.

B.A. in Economics, University of Tokyo, 2003–2007.

Research Interests

Macroeconomics

Refereed Publications

Learning, Confidence, and Business Cycles (with Cosmin Ilut), *Journal of Monetary Economics*, 2021.

Redistribution and Fiscal Uncertainty Shocks *International Economic Review*, 2020.

Technology Shocks and Hours Revisited: Evidence from Household Data *Review of Economic Dynamics*, 2019.

The Uncertainty Multiplier and Business Cycles *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, 2017.

Estimating DSGE Models Using Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted Data *Journal of Econometrics*, 2013.

The Japanese Depression in the Interwar Period: A General Equilibrium Analysis *The B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics: Topics*, 2008.

Working Papers and Work in Progress

Diagnostic Business Cycles (with Francesco Bianchi and Cosmin Ilut), 2022 Revise & Resubmit at *Review of Economic Studies*.

How Have Sectoral Shocks Influenced Aggregate Fluctuations? (with Christian Matthes and Felipe Schwartzman), 2021.

Uncertainty Shocks in Networks, 2020.

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Other Employment and Visits

Visiting Scholar, ISER Osaka University, 2022.

Visiting Scholar, San Francisco Fed, 2018.

Visiting Scholar, Bank of Japan, 2017.

Teaching Assistant, University of Pennsylvania, 2011–2013.

Dissertation Intern, Federal Reserve Board, 2012.

Recent Presentations (may include scheduled)

2022: North American Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society (Virtual), NBER Monetary Economics Program Meeting, Keio University, Central Bank Research Association Annual Meeting (Barcelona), Stanford Institute of Theoretical Economics: Macroeconomics of Uncertainty and Volatility.

2021: Society of Economic Dynamics (Minneapolis), Hitotsubashi University, Osaka University.

2019: Dynare Conference (Lausanne).

2018: San Francisco Fed, Tsinghua Workshop in Macroeconomics, Annual Congress of European Economic Association (Cologne).

2017: Bank of Japan, Keio University, Hitotsubashi University, Kyoto University, Stanford Institute of Theoretical Economics: Macroeconomics of Uncertainty and Volatility, USC Marshall.

Conference Discussions

"What Do Sectoral Dynamics Tell Us About the Origins of Business Cycles?" by Matthes and Schwartzman, Workshop on Methods and Applications for DSGE Models (Philadelphia Fed), 2019.

"The Origins and Effects of Uncertainty Shocks" by Bianchi, Kung and Tirskikh, Workshop on Methods and Applications for DSGE Models (Chicago Fed), 2018.

"Are Supply Curves Convex? Implications for State-Dependent Responses to Shocks" by Boehm, Flaaen and Pandalai-Nayar, West Coast Workshop in International Finance (Santa Clara U), 2017.

"Sentiment and the Business Cycle" by Fabio Milani, California Macroeconomics Conference (Claremont McKenna College), 2016.

Honors and Grants

Grant-in-Aid from the Zengin (Japanese Bankers Association) Foundation for Studies on Economics and Finance, 2021–2023.

UCSC Internal Grants, 2013-

Japanese Government Support for Long-term Study Abroad, Ministery of Education and Science, Japan, 2008–2011.

Refereeing Service

B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics, European Economic Review, Economics Letters, Economic Journal, International Economic Review, Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, Journal of Economic Theory, Journal of Monetary Economics, Journal of Money, Credit and Banking, Journal of Political Economy: Macroeconomics, Macroeconomic Dynamics, Quantitative Economics, Review of Economic Dynamics, Review of Economic Studies, Research Grants Council of Hong Kong.

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Teaching

Advanced Macroeconomic Theory II, UCSC (first year Ph.D. macroeconomics)

Advanced Methods in Macroeconomics II, UCSC (second year Ph.D. macroeconomics)

Intermediate Macroeconomics, UCSC (undergraduate)

Personal Information

Citizenship: Japan (U.S. permanent resident).

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