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## EDUCATION

2025\*– **University of Wisconsin–Madison**, Wisconsin School of Business  
Ph.D. in Finance

2021–2025\* **University of Wisconsin–Madison**  
B.S. in Economics, *with Honors* (A [list](#) of doctoral courses completed)  
B.S. in Mathematics

## FIELDS OF INTEREST

International Economics, Finance

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

### Work in Progress

**"Trade Exposures in Local Retail Pricing"**

**"Elasticities of Related-party Trade" [[Slide](#)]**

*Abstract:* I explore how the import demand of multinational enterprises (MNEs) responds to a short-term tariff shock given the heterogeneity in shares of related-party imports. In particular, I focus on estimating the trade elasticities of MNEs during the 2017-18 Trump tariff period. Building on Amiti et al. (2019) and Fajgelbaum et al. (2020), I estimated the elasticities of related-party imports to be between  $-1.578$  and  $-1.955$  and more elastic than their arms-length counterparts. The preliminary finding of MNE importers/industry being more responsive to tariff changes than non-MNE counterparts may reflect their profit shifting process in a very short run.

## AWARDS AND HONORS

2025– Dean's Naming Fund Scholarship, *Wisconsin School of Business*

2023, 2024 Grainger Academic Excellence Scholarship, *Department of Economics, UW–Madison*

2021–2025 The College of Letters & Science Dean’s List, *UW-Madison*  
2022–2024 Undergraduate Scholarship for Summer Study, *UW-Madison*

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2024– Research Assistant for Lydia Cox, *UW-Madison*  
Fall 2023 Research Assistant for Reka Sundaram-Stukel, *UW-Madison*  
2023–2024 Research Assistant for CALL–ECL Project (PI: Richard Halverson; Main supervisor: Christopher Saldaña), *Wisconsin Center for Education Research*

## OTHER SERVICES

2022–24 Editor-in-Chief of *UW Equilibrium: The Undergraduate Journal of Economics*, Vol.13 & 14  
2023 Board Member of the Inaugural Economics Inclusion Board, *Department of Economics, UW–Madison*  
2022 Board Member of the International Student Advisory Board, *UW-Madison*

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Software Skills** Python, Stata, R;  $\text{\LaTeX}$   
**Languages** English (Fluent), Mandarin Chinese (Native)  
**Citizenship** Taiwan, born 2001  
**National Service** Republic of China Marine Corps (Taiwan), 2021

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