

# JOSHUA Y. LEVY

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## EDUCATION

**GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY** Walsh School of Foreign Service, Washington, D.C. Aug. 2016 – June 2020  
B.S. in Foreign Service; Major: International Political Economy; Minors: Japanese, Mathematics GPA: 3.90/4.00

### Honors:

- Leslie H. Jacobson Medal: awarded to a graduating IPE senior whose academic achievements have been judged to be outstanding
- *Magna cum laude*; First Honors (3 sem.); Second Honors (5 sem.)
- Phi Beta Kappa

**HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL** Hong Kong, HKSAR Aug. 2009 – June 2016  
High School Diploma GPA: 3.72/4.00  
AP International Diploma (2016); AP: 5(9), 4(2) AP International Diploma (2016)

## ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS & RESEARCH

### PUBLICATIONS

- “Bridges over Troubled Waters? The Political Economy of Public-Private Partnerships in the Water Sector” 2021  
Shambaugh George, and Shareen Joshi. *Sustainability* 13 no. 18 pp. 10127
- “Challenges and Opportunities for US-Japan Science and Technology Cooperation” 2021  
Schoff, James, Joshua Levy, and Douglas Rake. *Carnegie Endowment for International Peace*.

### WORKING PAPERS

- “Informative Geographic Spillovers in the Political Economy of US Tariff Reductions” [Latest version](#) 2020  
Are legislators ever sensitive to the interests of those (firms and individuals) who are not their constituents? I argue that, in certain circumstances, legislators who are altruistic towards their own constituents are in fact perceptive to the interests and preferences of the constituent firms of *neighboring* districts. Analyzing a sample of 1,403 tariff suspension petitions in the U.S. Miscellaneous Tariff Bill process from the 106th through 109th Congresses, I find that being a neighbor to a district that stands to benefit from tariff suspension via geographic spillover increases the likelihood of a legislator voting for the suspension, even if it is not to the direct benefit of the legislator of interest. This finding is robust to varying theoretical considerations and estimation techniques. These results are sensitive to the definition of neighborhood, but traditional neighborhood definitions may be poorly constructed.
- “Aggregate Economic Transparency, Remittances, and Monetary Commitments” w/ Jacklyn Pi [Latest version](#) 2018  
Can opaque governments signal to foreign investors and the international community greater transparency by pegging their exchange rates? We argue that governments that report less aggregate economic data to international organizations are in fact more likely to adopt fixed exchange rate regimes. Using an ordered logit model to analyze a panel dataset of 1,384 observations of transparency and exchange rate classification from 1980 to 2010, we find that the probability of adopting a fixed exchange rate increases with opacity. Further, we investigate the role of large remittance receipts as a percent of GDP, and find that, due to the countercyclical nature of their flows, they increase the propensity of a government to fix its exchange rate.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, BOOTH SCHOOL OF BUSINESS** Chicago, IL  
Research Professional Jul. 2021 – Present

- Research assistant (“pre-doc”) to Professor Luigi Zingales ☞
- Research projects include: using NLP tools to identify news publications’ editorial biases for pro-business policies and politicians; a bibliometric study of academic capture in the merger and notification and litigation process.
- Developed tools for data collection (web-scraping, API endpoint query tools); data visualization (live dashboards); and statistical analysis.

**CARNEGIE ENDOWMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL PEACE** Washington, D.C.  
James C. Gaither Junior Fellow Aug. 2020 – Jul. 2021

- Research assistant to Senior Fellows Yukon Huang and Jim Schoff in the Asia Program ☞
- Investigate US information-security and export-control regulations with respect to Japan
- Manage datasets and data visualization on investigations of capital flows to China

**GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY** Walsh School of Foreign Service, Washington, D.C.  
Research Assistant May 2019 – May 2020

- Research Assistant to Prof. Shareen Joshi ☞ and Prof. George Shambaugh ☞
- Responsible for data collection (Python-Selenium web scrapers), visualization, econometric analysis (Stata and R) and literature review.

Teaching Assistant Aug. 2018 – May 2020

- International Trade (ECON-243) ⌘ for Dean Mitch Kaneda Ph.D ⌘
- Host office hours for group and individual instruction; teach lectures on Heckscher-Ohlin model and international factor movements; mark exams and problem sets

## CONFERENCE & PRESENTATION EXPERIENCE

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**CARROLL ROUND** Georgetown University

Chair (XIX)

May 2019 – June 2020

Long-Term Development Chair (XVII, XVIII)

May 2017 – May 2019

- Organize the premier conference for undergraduate research in international economics⌘
- Read and evaluated 100+ prospective journal-length articles for Conference participation
- Won a \$35,000 research grant from the Laudato Si' Fund for undergraduate research stipends
- Organized and prepared a two-yearlong inquiry application to the NSF for \$300,000

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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Huang, Yukon and **Joshua Levy**. “China’s local government debt may not cause a financial crisis, but it poses a huge fiscal challenge” *South China Morning Post*. May 2021.

Huang, Yukon and **Joshua Levy**. “Biden Wants to Replicate China’s Infrastructure Miracle” *Foreign Policy*. May 2021.

**Levy, Joshua** and James Schoff. “Can Japan and the US Lead the Way to 6G?” *The Diplomat*. April 2021.

Huang, Yukon and **Joshua Levy**. “The Shrinking Chinese State” *Foreign Policy*. March 2021.

Huang, Yukon and **Joshua Levy**. “In forcing TikTok sale, the US is taking a page out of China’s Playbook” *South China Morning Post*. October 2020.

Huang, Yukon and **Joshua Levy**. “Can ‘dual circulation’ reverse China’s growth slowdown?” *Nikkei Asia*. October 2020.

Bi-weekly column and other features *The Hoya*

## SKILLS, LANGUAGE, OTHER

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**TECHNICAL:** Stata (Proficient), R (Proficient) Python (Advanced), L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X(Proficient), Git

**LANGUAGE:** English (Native), Japanese (Fluent), Mandarin (ACTFL intermediate-high equivalent), AP Style (Proficient)

**OTHER:** Marshall Scholarship institutional nominee; *The Economist* 2019 Marjorie Deane Internship Finalist; 2017 Richard Casement Internship Finalist