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Education

University of Illinois

PhD Economics, MS Statistics

- Dissertation: "Three Essays in Applied Market Design"

Urbana-Champaign, IL

August 2016

University of Missouri-St. Louis

MS Economics

St. Louis, MO

May 2008

New York University

BA Economics

New York, NY

May 2003

Employment

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Economist - Applied Economics Office

Gaithersburg, MD

September 2016 - present

- Lead interdisciplinary research teams across NIST, academia, and industry; develop comprehensive project plans with defined milestones, deliverables, and budgets; translate complex business and policy questions into data-driven research initiatives.
- Design and implement advanced analytical methodologies including econometric modeling with causal inference techniques, supervised and unsupervised machine learning algorithms, input-output analysis, and computational simulations to extract actionable insights from complex economic and disaster resilience datasets.
- Develop and deploy quantitative models that demonstrate positive benefit-cost ratios for resilience investments, creating reproducible data pipelines and analysis workflows that have been successfully adopted by practicing engineers and policymakers.
- Spearhead behavioral research initiatives through experimental survey design, data collection, and analysis; build and evaluate AI-assisted human-in-the-loop systems to efficiently process qualitative data for economic and policy insights.
- For FY25: Successfully secured competitive funding for two data-driven research proposals from NIST Research Protections Office; designed innovative survey instruments and analytical frameworks to quantitatively assess organizational policy impacts.
- FY22-FY23: Served as Analyst in NIST Director's Office, developing interactive data visualization dashboards; facilitated cross-functional data governance initiatives; represented NIST in Department and interagency working groups to advance evidence-based decision making.

Publications (peer-reviewed)

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2. Orhan, E., Wein, A. M., Kroll, C. A., & Fung, J. F. (2025). Lessons in business recovery following the 2023 kahramanmara earthquake sequence, türkiye informed by women entrepreneurs. *Earthquake Spectra*, 41(3), 1910–1940. <https://doi.org/10.1177/87552930251330921>
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6. Fung, J. F., Zhang, Y., Johnson, K. J., Cook, D. T., & Sattar, S. (2023). Multidisciplinary research to advance the development of functional recovery for community resilience. *Disaster Prevention and Resilience*, 2(13). <http://dx.doi.org/10.20517/dpr.2023.15>
7. Zhang, Y., Fung, J. F., Johnson, K. J., & Sattar, S. (2022). Motivators and impediments to seismic retrofit implementation for wood-frame soft-story buildings: A case study in california. *Earthquake Spectra*, 38(4), 2788–2812. <https://doi.org/10.1177/87552930221100844>
8. Thomas, D., & Fung, J. (2022). Measuring downstream supply chain losses due to power disturbances. *Energy Economics*, 114, 106314. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.eneco.2022.106314>
9. Zhang, Y., Fung, J. F., Johnson, K. J., & Sattar, S. (2022). Review of seismic risk mitigation policies in earthquake-prone countries: Lessons for earthquake resilience in the united states. *Journal of Earthquake Engineering*, 26(12), 6208–6235. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13632469.2021.1911889>
10. Hariri-Ardebili, M. A., Sattar, S., Johnson, K., Clavin, C., Fung, J., & Ceferino, L. (2022). A perspective towards multi-hazard resilient systems: Natural hazards and pandemics. *Sustainability*, 14(8), 4508. <https://doi.org/10.3390/su14084508>

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15. Fung, J. F., & Hsu, C.-L. (2021). A cumulative offer process for supply chain networks. *Review of Economic Design*, 25(1). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10058-020-00238-z>
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19. Johnson, K. J., Fung, J. F., McAllister, T. P., McCabe, S. L., Sattar, S., & Segura Jr, C. L. (2020). Social and economic components of resilient multihazard building design. *Natural Hazards Review*, 21(1), 6019002.

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2. Fung, J., Hall, M., Helgeson, J., Dima, A., Andrews, A., & Benkstein, J. (2025). *Evaluating the impact of changes to the internal publication review policy at NIST*. Data Collection Instruments, National Institute of Standards; Technology, Gaithersburg, MD. <https://doi.org/https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.DCI.007>

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21. Sattar, S., McAllister, T., Johnson, K., Clavin, C., Segura, C., McCabe, S., Fung, J., Abrahams, L., Emily, Levitan, M., Harrison, K., & Harris, J. (2018). *Research needs to support immediate occupancy building performance following natural hazard events*. Special Publication (NIST SP), National Institute of Standards; Technology, Gaithersburg, MD. <https://doi.org/https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.SP.1224>
22. Fung, J., Butry, D., Sattar, S., & McCabe, S. (2018). *Estimating structural seismic retrofit costs for federal buildings*. Technical Note (NIST TN), National Institute of Standards; Technology, Gaithersburg, MD. <https://doi.org/https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.TN.1996>
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Leadership, activities, and other skills

Leadership: Earthquake Engineering Research Institute (EERI): Co-chair, Learning From Earthquakes (LFE) Business Resilience Subcommittee.

Professional Organizations: American Economic Association (AEA); American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE); Earthquake Engineering Research Institute (EERI).

Mentoring: Formal mentoring through NIST Mentoring Program (2023, 2024). Informal mentoring through NIST academic programs (GMSE, SURF, PREP).

Programming: R, Julia, Python, SQL. Instructor for NIST Software Carpentry. Lesson maintainer for Data Carpentry.

Languages: English (fluent), Spanish (native).

Clubs: NIST Toastmasters Club; Association of NIST Hispanic Americans; NIST Community Building Group.

Local Governance: Elected to lead HOA representing neighborhood households; manage meetings, budgets, and vendor oversight.