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Postdoctoral Research Fellow (2025-2027)
Harvard Kennedy School

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Health Systems and Economics, Harvard University, 2019-2024

Dissertation: “*Essays on the Government and Market in Health Systems*”

M.Sc. in Economics and Econometrics, University of Nottingham (U.K.), 2013-2014 (Distinction).

B.Sc. in Economics, University of Nottingham (U.K.), 2010-2013 (First Class Honors).

DISSERTATION COMMITTEE

Sebastian Bauhoff
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RESEARCH AND TEACHING FIELDS

Primary field: Health Economics.

Secondary fields: Industrial Organization, Development Economics

PUBLICATIONS

LIM, KAI SHEN, WEI AUN YAP, AND WINNIE YIP. [2022], “Consumer Choice and Public-Private Providers: The Role of Perceived Prices”, *Health Economics*, **31**(9), 1898-1925.

WORKING PAPERS

KAI SHEN LIM “Hospital Allocation and Politicians: Evidence from Malaysia”, (In review, World Development).

KAI SHEN LIM “Competing Complements in Public-Private Hospital Markets”

SELECTED WORK-IN-PROGRESS

KAI SHEN LIM “The Equilibrium Effects of Choice Standardization in Health Insurance: Evidence from Massachusetts”

KAI SHEN LIM, MARK SHEPARD, AND MYLES WAGNER, “Strategic Auto-Enrollment and Health Insurance Market Design”

BOSE, BIJETRI, TERENCE CHENG AND KAI SHEN LIM, “Word-of-Mouth in Low-Income Health Care Markets”

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2025 | Teaching Assistant for Prof. Mark Shepard, Harvard Kennedy School, Research for Health Economics |
| 2022-23 | Teaching Assistant for Prof. Terence Cheng, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, Econometrics for Health Policy . |
| 2022 | Teaching Assistant for Prof. Winnie Yip, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, Comparative Health Systems I and II . |
| 2012 | Teaching Assistant for Prof. Paul Saumik and Wing Leong Teo, University of Nottingham, Introduction to Macroeconomics & Microeconomics . |

RELEVANT POSITIONS

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| 2024-27 | Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Harvard |
| 2015, 19 | Consultant, World Bank. |
| 2015-18 | Visiting Scientist, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health |
| 2014 | Consultant, United Nations Development Program |

SCHOLARSHIPS, HONORS AND AWARDS

2019 Fulbright Scholarship.
2014 University of Nottingham M.Sc. Scholarship.
2010-13 University of Nottingham Dean's List.

SKILLS & LANGUAGES

Python, R, SQL, Julia, Stata, ArcGIS, QGIS, LaTeX
English (Native), Malay (fluent), Mandarin (basic)