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Department of Economics

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EMPLOYMENT Assistant Professor of Economics, Simon Fraser University 2020 – present

OTHER POSITIONS Visiting Scholar, University of Rochester Nov 2022
Visiting Scholar, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis Oct 2022

EDUCATION Ph.D. in Economics, University of Rochester, NY, United States 2015 – 2020
References: Yan Bai, George Alessandria, Narayana Kocherlakota, Yena Park
M.A. in Economics, Renmin University, Beijing, China 2013 – 2015
B.A. in Economics, Renmin University, Beijing, China 2009 – 2013

RESEARCH FIELDS International Economics, Macroeconomics, Sovereign Debt and Default

PUBLICATIONS “Public Financing Under Balanced Budget Rules”
with Chang Liu | links: [journal link] [working paper] [online appendix] [codes]
Review of Economic Dynamics, Volume 56, April 2025

“A Note on Allowing State Bankruptcy”
sole author | links: [journal link] [working paper]
Macroeconomic Dynamics, Volume 29, e47 (pp. 1–14), 2025

“Sovereign Risk and Intangible Investment”
with Chang Liu | links: [journal link] [working paper] [online appendix] [codes]
Journal of International Economics, Volume 152, November 2024

“Inequality, Taxation, and Sovereign Default Risk”
sole author | links: [journal link] [working paper] [online appendix] [codes] | Featured
by Stone Centre at University College London
American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics, Volume 16 (pp. 217-49), April 2024

“Debt Maturity Heterogeneity and Investment Responses to Monetary Policy”
with Min Fang | links: [journal link] [working paper] [online appendix] [codes]
European Economic Review, Volume 144, May 2022

“Migration and Sovereign Default Risk”
with George Alessandria and Yan Bai | links: [journal link] [working paper]
Journal of Monetary Economics, Volume 113, August 2020

**WORKING
PAPERS**

“From Diaspora Dollars to Default Risk: Remittances and Sovereign Spreads”
with Armen Khederlarian | link: [working paper] | IMF Best Paper Award, Armenian Economic Association Meeting (2025)

“Financing Innovation with Innovation”
with Zhiyuan Chen and Min Fang | link: [working paper]

“Trade Barriers and Sovereign Default Risk”
with George Alessandria, Yan Bai and Chang Liu | link: [working paper]

“Redistribution in Indebted Economies”
sole author | link: [working paper]

**SELECTED
WORK IN
PROGRESS**

“Sovereign Debt Crisis or Financial Crisis: Evidence from Exports”
with George Alessandria, Yan Bai, and Chang Liu

“Sovereign Default Risk and Wealth Inequality”
with Min Fang, Philipp Renner, and Simon Scheidegger

“Government Finance and Worker Migration across U.S. States”
with Min Fang, Zibin Huang, and Chang Liu

“World Financial Cycles and Global Trade”
with Yan Bai, Chang Liu, and Gabriel Mihalache

DISCUSSIONS

Discussion on “Domestic Policies and Sovereign Default” by Emilio Espino, Julian Kozlowski, Fernando M. Martin, Juan M. Sanchez, at the 3rd TWID International Finance Conference, University of Tokyo
July 2022

Discussion on “Sovereign Default and Global Financial Shock” by JungJae Park, at the 1st International Macro/Finance and Sovereign Debt Workshop in East Asia, Sogang University
Nov 2020

Discussion on “The Effects of Sector-Specific Credit Supply Shocks on the U.S. Economy” by Maximillian Littlejohn, at SFA annual meeting (Palm Springs)
Nov 2020

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (INCLUDING SCHEDULED)	Midwest Macro (Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City), Leuven Summer Event: Macroeconomics workshop (KU Leuven), SED Annual Meeting (Copenhagen), Canadian Macroeconomics Study Group Meeting (Western)	2025
	Western Economic Association International Annual Conference (Seattle), Canadian Macro Study Group Meeting (HEC Montreal)	2024
	The 2nd International Symposium on Frontiers of Theoretical Economics (Nanjing University)	2023
	ASSA Annual Meeting, Midwest Macro (Logan, UT), Annual Meeting of Canadian Economics Association (Ottawa), SED Annual Meeting (Madison, WI), 3rd Women in International Economics conference (Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis and University of Minnesota)	2022
	ASSA Annual Meeting, Royal Economic Society (RES) Conference, RES Symposium, Annual Meeting of Canadian Economics Association, A. Stockman University of Rochester Alumni Conference, Canadian Macro Study Group Meeting (University of British Columbia), ES European Winter Meeting (University of Barcelona School of Economics), Winter School 2021 (Delhi School of Economics and The Econometric Society)	2021
	CES North America Conference (MIT), Congress of EEA (Rotterdam), VMACS Junior Conference, INFER Conference (Paris), SFA Annual Meeting (Palm Springs), ES European Winter Meeting (University of Nottingham), Winter School 2020 (Delhi School of Economics and The Econometric Society)	2020
	Midwest Macro (University of Georgia), SED Annual Meeting (Washington University in St.Louis), Carnegie-Rochester-NYU Conference (Carnegie Mellon University)	2019
	Youth Economic Forum (Peking University), Undergraduate Economics Conference (Sufe)	2015
INVITED SEMINARS	University of Victoria	2025
	Binghamton University	2024
	Villanova University	2023
	Sovereign Debt Workshop at IMF, Jinan University IESR, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, CWEC Brownbag	2022
	Canadian Macro Study Group Virtual Seminar Series, National University of Singapore, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, Bank of Canada	2021
	Georgia State University, Simon Fraser University	2020
	University of Rochester, Tsinghua University	2019

GRANTS	SSHRC Insight Grant, \$93,308	2025
	SSHRC-SFU Institutional Grant, \$7,000	2025
	SFU VPA Conference Fund, \$4,500	2023
	SSHRC Insight Development Grant, \$52,910	2022
	SFU VPR Travel Grant	2022
	SSHRC-SFU Institutional Grant, \$6,912	2021
	SFU Presidential Research Start-Up Grant, \$20,000	2020
	PEPR Grant, W. Allen Wallis Institute of Political Economy	2017
	Summer Research Grant, University of Rochester	2017
TEACHING	Instructor, Simon Fraser University	
	Directed Readings (Econ 921, Ph.D.)	Spring 2025, Fall 2025
	Seminar in International Finance (Econ 446, Undergraduate)	2021, 2022, 2024, 2025
	Advanced Macro Theory (Econ 809, Ph.D.)	2021, 2022, 2023, 2025
	International Monetary Economics (Econ 842, Ph.D. & Master)	2022, 2023, Spring 2025, Fall 2025
	Teaching Assistant, University of Rochester	2017 – 2020
	Macroeconomics (Ph.D.)	
	Economics of Globalization (Undergraduate)	
	Intermediate Macroeconomics (Undergraduate)	
STUDENT SUPERVISION	Committee member for Ph.D. student Akakpo Domefa Konou	since 2025
	Committee member for Ph.D. student Hau Pang Chow	since 2025
	Committee member for Ph.D. student Samuel Basoah	since 2024
	Graduate Research Assistant Hau Pang Chow	2025
	Graduate Research Assistant Eric Fortier	2023
	SFU Undergraduate Student Research Award: Yi-Shan Liu	2022
	Ph.D. Dissertation Defense Examiner for: Yang Li	2022

	Graduate Research Assistant Anil Donmez	2021
	Graduate Research Assistant Kyeongmin Park (Rochester)	2021 – 2023
SERVICE	Referee for <i>Review of Economic Studies</i> , <i>American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics</i> , <i>Journal of Monetary Economics</i> , <i>Journal of International Economics</i> , <i>Economic Inquiry</i> , <i>European Economic Review</i> , <i>IMF Economic Review</i> , <i>Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control</i> , <i>International Journal of Central Banking</i>	
	Graduate Program Committee, SFU	2025 – 2026
	Seminar Committee, SFU	2025 – 2026
	Tenure and Promotions Committee, SFU	2024 – 2025
	Organizing Committee, 9th Annual West Coast Workshop in International Finance	2023
	Tenure and Promotions Committee, SFU	2023
	Ph.D. Macro Comprehensive Exam Committee, SFU	since 2021
	Research Seminar Committee, SFU	2022 – 2023
	Appointments Committee, SFU	2021 – 2022
	Brown Bag Seminar Committee, SFU	2020 – 2021
	Program Committee, Southern Finance Association Meeting	2020
AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS	IMF Best Paper Award, Armenian Economic Association Meeting	2025
	Graduate Fellowship and Tuition Scholarship, University of Rochester	2015 – 2020
	Beijing Outstanding Graduate Student, Beijing	2015
	Outstanding Master Student Award, Renmin University of China	2015
	Outstanding Undergraduate Award, Renmin University of China	2013
PRE-PHD PUBLICATIONS	“Is Monetary Policy Effective During New Phase in China?”, with Zhengyan Xiao and Zhixi Liu, <i>World Economic Papers</i> , 2016(02) (in Chinese)	
	“Municipal Bond: A New Channel to Finance Urbanization in China”, with Chenyang Yu, <i>Academic Forum</i> , 2013(03) (in Chinese)	
SKILLS	Python, MATLAB, Stata, R, L ^A T _E X, Linux, Fortran	