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Major Fields of Concentration

Industrial Organization and International Trade

Education

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Field</i>	<i>Institution</i>	<i>Year</i>
PhD	Economics	University of Minnesota (expected)	2024
MA	Economics	University of Minnesota	2018
BS	Mathematical Economics (summa cum laude)	University of Richmond	2016

Dissertation

Title: “Essays in Industrial Organization”

Dissertation Advisor(s): Professor Thomas J. Holmes

Expected Completion: Summer 2024

References

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Honors and Awards

- 2022-2023 *Distinguished Instructor*, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Earned this award three times over the course of a year.
- 2020 *UN Medal*, United Nations Mission in South Sudan, Juba, South Sudan.
- 2017-2019 *Distinguished Teaching Assistant*, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Earned this award five times over the course of two years.
- 2016-2017 *Warwick Fellowship*, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Teaching Experience

- Spring 2023 *Instructor*, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Taught *Principles of Macroeconomics*.
- 2021-2023 *Instructor*, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Taught six semesters of *Introduction to Econometrics*.
- Summer 2021 *Instructor*, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Taught *Economic Development*.
- Spring 2021 *Instructor*, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Taught *Principles of Macroeconomics*.
- 2018-2019 *Teaching Assistant*, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Led the recitation section of *Introduction to Econometrics* for three semesters.
- 2017 *Teaching Assistant*, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Led recitation sections of *Principles of Macroeconomics* for two semesters.

Military Service

- 2019-2021 *Sergeant*, Republic of Korea Army, South Korea
- 2020 *Civil-Military Cooperation Specialist*, United Nations Mission in South Sudan, Juba, South Sudan

Papers

- Kim, Minuk, "The Heterogeneous Impact of Tariffs on Differentiated Products," Job Market Paper
- Kim, Minuk, "Strategic Response to Pass-through in Differentiated Products Oligopoly"

Computer Skills

Python, R

Languages

English (native), Korean (native), French (basic)

Abstract(s)

Kim, Minuk, "The Heterogeneous Impact of Tariffs on Differentiated Products," Job Market Paper

I investigate the distributional consequences of tariffs on consumer goods, specifically focusing on the role of product quality on pass-through and variety. Using detailed data, I find that tariff-related price increases vary by product quality, disproportionately impacting lower-income consumers. Tariffs also lead to reduced imports of higher quality products, disproportionately affecting higher-income consumers. Overall, tariffs result in a greater welfare loss for low-income consumers due to price increases, while high-income consumers suffer from a loss of

variety in high-quality products. My analysis centers on the 25% ad valorem tariffs on single malt Scotch imposed by the United States from October 2019 to March 2021. My findings underscore that assuming a uniform pass-through underestimates the welfare loss of tariffs, particularly for low-income consumers. Additionally, the quality bias in product discontinuation has significant implications for high-income consumers as well. This study contributes to understanding the distributional effects of tariffs, emphasizing the importance of considering product quality in tariff policy assessments.