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Education

University of Colorado at Boulder

Ph.D. Economics 2021 to 2026 (Expected)

Advisor: Jonathan Hughes

University of Colorado at Boulder

M.A. Economics 2021 to 2023

Huazhong University of Science & Technology, China

M.A. Economics 2015 to 2018

Huazhong Agricultural University, China

B.A. Economics (with distinction) 2011 to 2015

Fields

Primary: Environment, Development, Economic History

Secondary: Political Economy

Publication

Industrialization and Pollution: The Long-term Impact of Early-Life Exposure on Human Capital Formation, January 2025, *Journal of Public Economics*

Working Papers

Deciding to Participate: The Impact of Air Pollution on Civic Engagement in China

Selected Works in Progress

Illuminating the Future: The Long-Term Human Capital Effects of Rural Electrification

Text to Data: A Machine Learning Approach to Historical Chinese Documents (with Wolfgang Keller, Carol Shiue, and Sen Yan)

Teaching

Instructor of Record

Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory, CU Boulder Spring 2024

Average Teaching Evaluation Score: 4.94/6

Teaching Assistant

Principles of Microeconomics, CU Boulder Fall 2021 to 2023, Fall 2024

Average Teaching Evaluation Score: 5.15/6

Principles of Macroeconomics, CU Boulder Spring 2025

Average Teaching Evaluation Score: 4.98/6

Research

Research Assistant Reporting to Prof. Carol Shiue, CU Boulder	Summer 2022 & 2024
Employment	
WISDRI Engineering & Research Incorporation Limited, Economic Analyst	2018 to 2021
Presentations	
ASSA Annual Meeting, Philadelphia	2026 (Scheduled)
Association of Environmental and Resource Economists Summer Conference, Santa	Ana Pueblo 2025
14th Annual Front Range Energy and Environmental Economics Camp, Boulder	2025
25th Annual CU Environmental and Resource Economics Workshop, Vail	2024
24th Annual CU Environmental and Resource Economics Workshop, Vail	2023
Chinese Economists Society (CES) Annual China Conference, Hefei China	2018
National Graduate Students in Economics Annual Conference, Wuhan China	2018
Referee Service	
Journal of Environmental Economics and Management	
Honors & Awards	
Graduate School Summer Fellowship, CU Boulder	2025
Third Year Paper Prize, CU Boulder	2024
Graduate Award for Public Policy Research, CU Boulder	2023
Skills & Language	

Software: Stata, MATLAB, Python, ArcGIS, Google Earth Engine

Language: English (Fluent), Chinese (Native)