

Rowan Shi

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Academic Positions

Assistant professor. Toronto Metropolitan University

2020–

Visitor. Cowles Foundation, Yale University

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Education

PhD in Economics. Princeton University

2014–2020

Thesis title: International trade with heterogeneous firms and reallocation

Committee: Steve Redding, Eduardo Morales, Oleg Itskhoki

BA in Mathematics and Economics. University of California, Berkeley

2009–2014

Highest Honors in Economics, Distinction in General Scholarship

Working papers

[*Combinatorial discrete choice*](#), Revise and Resubmit, *American Economic Review*

with Costas Arkolakis, Fabian Eckert

[*Non-traded gains from trade: Evidence from Brazil*](#)

with Rafael Parente

[*Solving combinatorial discrete choices in heterogeneous agent models: theory and an application to corporate tax harmonization in the European Union*](#)

with Kathleen Hu

Works in progress

Place-based policy for national welfare

with Paula Donaldson, Fabian Trottner

The role of cities: shopping time and inequality in amenities

with Hannah Rubinton

Presentations and invited talks (including upcoming)

ASSA meetings (invited discussant), University of Wisconsin Madison

2025

ASSA meetings, McMaster University, Queen's University, SED, UCSB/LAEF Junior Macro

2024

Conference, Annual Workshop of Southern Ontario Macro Economists (invited discussant), Canadian International Trade Study Group Meeting

Federal Reserve Bank at St. Louis, Canadian Economics Association meetings, EEA-ESEM,

2023

NBER International Trade and Investment Program Fall Meeting

Global Economics Networks, Georgetown University

2022

European Meeting of the Urban Economics Association, North American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society

2021

Refereeing

Journals. Journal of International Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, International Economic Review

Awards and fellowships

<i>Summer Fellowship</i> . International Economics Section, Princeton University	2016–2019
<i>Doctoral Fellowship</i> . Princeton University	2014–2020

Teaching

<i>Professor</i> (TMU). Undergraduate trade	2023–
<i>Professor</i> (TMU). Graduate trade I	2020–2022, 2025–
<i>Professor</i> (TMU). Mathematics for economics II	2020–
<i>Course organizer</i> (Princeton University). Introduction to microeconomics, Prof. Kelly Noonan	2018–2020
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<i>Course organizer</i> (Princeton University). Introduction to microeconomics, Prof. Henry Farber	2019
<i>Teaching assistant</i> (Princeton University). Introduction to microeconomics, Prof. Kelly Noonan	2018
<i>Teaching assistant</i> (Princeton University). Ethics and economics, Prof. Thomas Leonard	2017
<i>Teaching assistant</i> (Princeton University). Introduction to macroeconomics, Prof. Elizabeth Bogan	2016–2017

Research experience

<i>Research assistant</i> . Prof. Oleg Itskhoki	2015
<i>Research assistant</i> . Prof. Mark Aguiar	2014
<i>Research assistant</i> . Prof. Yuriy Gorodnichenko	2013