

# RYU MATSUURA

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## Education

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Northwestern University	2025 ( <i>expected</i> )
Ph.D. in Economics	
Northwestern University	2020
M.A. in Economics	
Colby College	2017
B.A. in Economics ( <i>Honors &amp; Distinction</i> ) and Mathematical Science ( <i>Distinction</i> ), <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	

## Work in Progress

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Populism and Public Services Delivery

## Publications

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**Development Research at High Geographic Resolution: An Analysis of Night Lights, Firms, and Poverty in India Using the SHRUG Open Data Platform** (with Sam Asher, Toby Lunt, and Paul Novosad), *World Bank Economic Review* (2021)

**Shifted Baselines Reduce Willingness to Pay for Conservation** (with Loren McClenachan, Shah Payal, and Sahan Dissanayake), *Frontiers in Marine Science* (2018)

**The Proposed Park in Maine's North Woods: Preferences of Out-of-State Visitors** (with Sahan Dissanayake and Andrew Meyer), *Maine Policy Review* (2016)

## Research Experience

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Development Data Lab	2017-2019
Research Associate	

## Presentations

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2022	Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics, European Meeting of Urban Economics Association, Infra4Dev Conference
2017	Maine Economic Conference
2016	Heartland Environmental and Resource Economic Workshop

## Grants, Scholarship, & Awards

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2023	International Growth Centre Small Research Grant, with Anton Reinicke and Yasuka Tateishi (£6,000)
2021-2024	Japan Student Service Organization Scholarship
2019-2021	Japan-IMF Scholarship
2017	Breckenridge Prize (highest GPA among senior economic majors) Phi Beta Kappa (top 9% of senior class)
2016	Economics Department Prize for Junior with Highest GPA
2016	Leslie Dougherty Biddle '89 and George Biddle Fund for International Service Learning, Internships, and Research

## Refereeing

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*World Bank Economic Review*

## Professional Activities

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2020-2022	Northwestern University Economics Ph.D. Mentorship Program
2021	Northwestern University Development Lunch Seminar Organizer