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## POSITIONS

Assistant Professor of Economics, The University of Hong Kong (June 2025-present)

## EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, Boston University, Boston, MA, May 2025  
M.A., Econometrics and Quantitative Economics, Boston University, Boston, MA, 2019  
B.S., Mathematics and Applied Mathematics, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China, 2017

## FIELDS OF INTEREST

Econometrics, Labor Economics, Digital Economics, Optimization

## WORKING PAPERS

- “[Unconditional Randomization Tests for Interference](#),” **Job Market paper. Revise and Resubmit, *Econometrica*.**
- “[Convexity Not Required: Estimation of Smooth Moment Condition Models](#),” (with Jean-Jacques Forneron),
- “[COPPAcalypse? The Youtube Settlement's Impact on Kids Content](#),” (with Garrett Johnson, Tesary Lin, and James Cooper), **Accepted, *Management Science*.**
- “[Racial Screening on the Big Screen? Evidence from the Motion Picture Industry](#),” (with Angela Crema, and M. Daniele Paserman), **NBER Working Paper No.33186.**
- “[Dynamic Delegation: Experimentation Cycles and Forward-Reverse Stopping Contracts](#)” (with Zixian Liu)

## SELECTED WORK IN PROGRESS

- “[Replicability in Economics: False Discoveries and Low Power](#),” (with Qingyuan Chai, and Kevin Lang)

## PRESENTATIONS (\*: CO-AUTHOR PRESENTS)

- 2025:** Peking University HSBC; The University of Hong Kong; City University of Hong Kong; University of Alabama; University of Tennessee; Toronto Metropolitan University; Southern Methodist University; Chinese University of Hong Kong (Shenzhen); CES China Annual Conference; World Congress of the Econometric Society; HKU-University of Macau Joint Workshop; Microeconometrics Class of 2025 Conference at Northwestern University; Jinan University IESR
- 2024:** Midwest Econometrics Group Conference; Greenline Workshop in Econometrics; 19th Economics Graduate Student Conference; NBER SI 2024 Digital Economics and Artificial Intelligence; Boston University Econometrics Seminar
- 2023:** New York Camp Econometrics (Poster Session); University of Rochester Simon Business School\*; Columbia Business School\*,

**2022:** SOLE Annual Meeting; WEAI Annual Conference\*; United States Military Academy West Point\*; EEA-ESEM Congress\*

### **FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

- Doctoral Fellowship, Boston University, 2019-2024
- Optimization-Conscious Summer School Travel Grant, University of Chicago, 2023
- IED Travel Grant, Boston University, 2022-2024
- MA Prize for Best Paper, Boston University, 2019
- Distinction in the MA Comprehensive Examination, Boston University, 2018

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

#### **ACADEMIC**

- Research Assistant for Prof. Kevin Lang, Boston University, 2024
- Research Assistant for Prof. Jean-Jacques Forneron, Boston University, 2021-2023
- Research Assistant for Prof. Hiroaki Kaido, Boston University, 2020-2022
- Research Assistant for Prof. Adam Guren, Boston University, 2018
- Research Assistant for Prof. Raymond Fisman, Boston University, 2018

#### **NON-ACADEMIC**

- Summer Associate, Analysis Group, Boston, MA, 2022

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

#### **HONG KONG UNIVERSITY, PROFESSOR**

- Advanced Econometrics (MS-level), Department of Economics, Fall 2025
- Introductory Econometrics (UG-level), Department of Economics, Fall 2025

#### **BOSTON UNIVERSITY, TEACHING FELLOW**

- Econometrics (MA-level), Department of Economics, Spring 2021, Spring 2024
- Advance Econometrics II (2<sup>nd</sup> year Ph.D), Department of Economics, Fall 2023
- Microeconomic Theory (MA-level), Department of Economics, Fall 2020

### **REFEREE EXPERIENCE**

*Journal of Econometrics*

### **DEPARTMENT SERVICES**

*The University of Hong Kong, 2025-26*

*Co-organizer of the economics department brownbag series; Econometrics Seminar*

**LANGUAGES:** English (Fluent), Mandarin (Native)

**COMPUTER SKILLS:** C, MATLAB, R, Python, JULIA, STATA(MATA), Version Control(git)

### **REFERENCES**

<b>Professor Hiroaki Kaido</b> Department of Economics Boston University Phone: (617) 358-5924 Email: <a href="mailto:hkaido@bu.edu">hkaido@bu.edu</a>	<b>Professor Jean-Jacques Forneron</b> Department of Economics Boston University Phone: (617) 353-4824 Email: <a href="mailto:jjmf@bu.edu">jjmf@bu.edu</a>	<b>Professor Daniele Paserman</b> Department of Economics Boston University Phone: (617) 353-5695 Email: <a href="mailto:paserman@bu.edu">paserman@bu.edu</a>	<b>Professor Kevin Lang</b> Department of Economics Boston University Phone: (617) 353-5694 Email: <a href="mailto:lang@bu.edu">lang@bu.edu</a>
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