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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

July 2023 – City University of Hong Kong  
Assistant Professor, Department of Economics and Finance

## EDUCATION

Ph.D. Economics, Yale University, 2023

M.A. Economics, CEMFI, 2016

B.A. Economics, *First Class Honours*, The University of Hong Kong, 2014

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

International Trade, Macroeconomics and Economic Growth

## WORKING PAPERS

"Multinational Production, Technology Diffusion and Economic Growth," with Wei Xiang, revise and resubmit, *Journal of International Economics*, 2024

"Mechanics of Spatial Growth," with Lorenzo Caliendo, Fernando Parro, Wei Xiang, 2024

## CONFERENCE AND PRESENTATIONS

2024 AMSS, Chinese Academy of Sciences\*

2023 Chinese University of Hong Kong, AMES Singapore, SED Cartagena, Penn State New Faces Conference, Chinese University of Hong Kong (Shenzhen), North Carolina State University, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, City University of Hong Kong

2022 Peking University NSD

\*: *scheduled*

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

### Refereeing

*Journal of International Economics*

## **Paper Discussions**

- 2024 "Third-Country Effects of U.S. Immigration Policy," by Agostina Brinatti and Xing Guo, at China International Conference in Macroeconomics
- "Rise and Fall of Empires in the Industrial Era: A Story of Shifting Comparative Advantages," by Roberto Bonfatti and Kerem Coşar, at City University of Hong Kong Conference on International Economics

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **City University of Hong Kong**

Advanced Macroeconomics (EF8072, Ph.D. Level), with Xuan S. Tam and Ying Zhou

International Finance (EF4471, EF5406)

### **Yale University (Teaching Assistant)**

Introduction to Game Theory, TA for Zvika Neeman

Introduction to Data Analysis and Econometrics, TA for Guillermo Noguera

General Equilibrium Theory, TA for John Geanakoplos

Introductory Macroeconomics, TA for Samuel Kortum and Aleh Tsyvinski

International Economics, TA for Peter Schott

Monetary Policy, TA for William English

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE AND OTHER EMPLOYMENT**

- 2019 IADB, Short term consultant
- 2018 Princeton Initiative

## **HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

- 2021 University Dissertation Fellowship
- 2020 Nathan Hale Associates Fellow
- 2017-2019 Merrill G. Hastings Fellow
- 2016-2021 Doctoral Fellowship, Cowles Foundation Fellowship
- 2014-2016 Fundación ICO Scholarship
- 2013 C.V. Starr Scholarship

## **LANGUAGES**

Mandarin (native), English (proficient), Cantonese (fair), Spanish (fair)

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