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Employment

Lecturer (Assistant Professor), Department of Economics, University of Essex	2023-
Project Researcher, CREPE, The University of Tokyo	2023 June-August

Education

Ph.D. Economics, Brown University	2023
M.A. Economics, The University of Tokyo	2016
B.S. Agriculture, Hokkaido University	2014
Visiting student, Shri Ram College of Commerce (University of Delhi)	2012-2013

Research Fields

Development Economics, Environmental Economics, Political Economy, Spatial Economics

Working Papers

“Human and Nature: Economies of Density and Conservation in the Amazon Rainforest.” with Yoshito Takasaki and Mari Tanaka

“Interethnic Proximity, Complementarities, and Politics in Malaysia.” with Chun Kok, Gedeon Lim, Danial Shariat, and Abu Siddique

“Jihad over Centuries.” with Masahiro Kubo, *Hayami Award 2022*

Publications

Tsuda, Shunsuke. **“Refugee inflows, surplus farm labor, and crop marketization in rural Africa.”**
Journal of Development Economics, Volume 155, March 2022, 102805

Works in Progress

“Interethnic Proximity and Competition in Southeast Asia.” with Chun Kok, Gedeon Lim, and Abu Siddique

“Multinational Companies and Conflict.” with David Andrés-Cerezo and Michele Rosenberg

“Market-Driven Cohesion in a Diverse African City.” with Tomohiro Hara, Soyoka Okamura, and Yuko Shem Okoth

“Local Intelligence for Targeting High-Risk Populations.” with Tomohiro Hara, Shinji Okazaki, and Yuko Shem Okoth

“De-Radicalization and Reintegration from Violent Extremism.” with Jun Goto, Tomohiro Hara, and Yosuke Nagai

“Structural Transformation and Caste Discrimination in Village India.” with Kazuki Motohashi and Mike Neubauer

Professional Activities

Presentations

2025	Bristol Applied Economics Meetings; SWET; Hokkaido U; Migration & Development Conference (PSE)
2024	BREAD Conference (UCSD); World Bank Land Conference; CSAE Conference (Oxford); WE-SPICE
2023	CREPE Day (U-Tokyo); MEUDC (NYUAD); Rentree Workshop (Essex); European Meeting of the Urban Economics Association (Bocconi); LSE Environment Day; Occasional Workshop in Environmental and Resource Economics (UCSB); JADE-CEPR-Time Development Economics Conference (U-Tokyo); ASREC Conference (Harvard); Keio University (virtual); University of Essex; Kyoto Institute of Economic Research; Osaka University; University of Hong Kong; Young Urban Economist Workshop (World Bank); NYUAD (virtual)
2022	Yale Y-RISE (Kingston); Hitotsubashi University (virtual); University of Georgia (virtual); GSE-OSIPP-ISER Joint Conference (Osaka-U, virtual); Applied Micro Breakfast (Brown); Applied Micro Lunch (Brown)

2021	Applied Micro Breakfast (Brown); Applied Micro Lunch (Brown)
2020	NEUDC (Dartmouth, virtual); Working Group in African Political Economy (WGAPE) Annual Meeting (virtual); Research Conference on Forced Displacement (UN City, Copenhagen); Kobe University
2019	Applied Micro Lunch (Brown)
2018	North East Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC, Cornell)
2016	Hitotsubashi Summer Institute; JEA meeting (Nagoya-U); Microeconomics Workshop (U-Tokyo)

Affiliations

Fellow, Tokyo Center for Economic Research (TCER)	2025-
Graduate Affiliate, Institute at Brown for Environment and Society, Brown University	2021-2023
Guest Researcher, CREPE, The University of Tokyo	2020-
Trainee, Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University	2017-2023
Fellow, Spatial Structures in the Social Sciences, Brown University	2017-2023

Referee

Economic Development and Cultural Change, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Urban Economics, Labour Economics

Teaching

University of Essex, Department of Economics

EC383 Environmental Economics (UG)	2023-2025
EC114 Introduction to Quantitative Economics (UG)	2023-2025

Brown University, Department of Economics

ECON2020 Computing for Economists (Ph.D.), Instructor	2020, 2021, 2023
CEEC0925 Econometrics: Statistical Tools to Understand Economic Data, TA for Kenichi Shimizu	2019

Honors, Fellowships, and Grants

ReCIPE (Reducing Conflict and Improving Performance in the Economy), Compact Research Grants	2025
British Academy/Leverhulme Small Research Grant	2024-2025
Suntory Foundation, Grant for Collaborative Research in Humanities and Social Sciences	2024
The Toyota Foundation, Research Grant (Co-PI: Tomohiro Hara)	2023
Interdisciplinary Opportunity Dissertation Completion Fellowship	2021-2022
Teaching Award, Brown University	2021
The Bravo Center Research Funding, Brown University	2020
The Murata Science Foundation Research Grant	2020
Graduate Program in Development (Watson Institute, Brown University) Summer Funding	2020
S4 (Spatial Structures in the Social Sciences) Graduate Student Paper Prize, the 2nd place	2020
Japan Student Services Organization Scholarship	2016-2019
Research Fellow of Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (DC1)	2016
Sato Yo International Scholarship Foundation	2012-2013

Others

Computer skills: Stata, Julia, Python, R, Matlab, ArcGIS, Git, LaTeX, Qualtrics

Languages: English (fluent), Japanese (native), Spanish (basic), Hindi (beginner)

References

Professor Andrew Foster	Department of Economics, Brown University	afoster@brown.edu
Professor Matthew Turner	Department of Economics, Brown University	matthew_turner@brown.edu
Professor Daniel Björkegren	SIPA, Columbia University	dan.bjork@columbia.edu
Professor Jesse Shapiro	Department of Economics, Harvard University	jesse_shapiro@fas.harvard.edu

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