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RESEARCH FIELDS

Macroeconomics
Public economics

EDUCATION

PhD, Economics

March, 2025

Tohoku University, Japan

Dissertation: Three Essays on Fertility and Economic Growth (PDF)

Academic Advisor: Akiomi Kitagawa

MA, Economics September, 2021

Tohoku University, Japan

BA, International Economics

Foreign Trade University, Vietnam

RESEARCH

Publications

[1] **Tran, Q.T.** 2022. The aging tax on potential growth in Asia. *Journal of Asian Economics*. 81, 101495. doi:10.1016/j.asieco.2022.101495

WORKING PAPERS

- [1] Fertility and Career Choices in an Overlapping Generations Model with Sandwich Caregivers. (R&R)
- [2] Dual Caregiving and Overlapping Generations. (Under Review) (WP)
- [3] The Explosive Growth and Rapid Contraction of an Overlapping-Generations Economy. (R&R)
- [4] Fertility and R&D-based Growth: The Role of Higher Education.

WORK IN PROGRESS

[1] Demographics, Social Security, and Fiscal Balance in Vietnam.

March, 2019

[2] Fertility as Old-Age Security Revisited.

Grants & Awards

JSPS Grants-in-Aid Research Fellowship for Young Scientists (DC2) April 2023 – March 2025

Grant Number: 23KJ0135

JST Pioneering Research Initiated by the Next Generation Program October 2021 – March 2023

Grant Number: JPMJSP2114

MEXT Honor Scholarship April 2021 – September 2021

Japanese Government's JASSO ScholarshipOctober 2019 – March 2020

Best Paper Award, The 18th Mirai Creation Prize

April 2023

Tohoku University

Encouragement Scholarship for Outstanding Academic ResultsAugust 2017

Foreign Trade University

TEACHING

PART-TIME LECTURER

Optimization. National Economics University. Spring 2025.

Воотсамр

Graduate Student Organization's Intensive Bootcamps. URL: github.com/thanhqtran/tohoku_bootcamp.

Computational Macroeconomics (English, 20 hours in total) March 19 – 26, 2024

Computational Macroeconomics (English, 20 hours in total) September 2 – 6, 2024

Special Topics in Macroeconomics (English, 20 hours in total) March 4 – 8, 2024

Mathematics II (English, 30 hours in total)

August 28 – September 15, 2023

Mathematics I (English, 45 hours in total)

March 6 – 24, 2023

TEACHING ASSISTANT

Undergraduate Macroeconomics (Japanese). Professor: Akiomi Kitagawa Fall 2022

Advanced Macroeconomics (Japanese). Professor: Michio Suzuki Fall 2022

Formal Mathematics and Economic Modeling. Professor: Dai Zusai Spring 2022

Computational Modeling and Simulation in Games. Professor: Dai Zusai Spring 2021

Microeconomics I. Professor: Dai Zusai Spring 2021

Microeconomics II. Professor: Dai Zusai Fall 2021

Presentations

- [1] MFE Seminar, National Economics University, February 2025
- [2] Joint workshop TU Research Center for Policy Design and Sophia Institute for Human Security, Tohoku University, March 2024
- [3] The 18th Macroeconomics Conference for Young Economists, Kyoto University, February 2024
- [4] Japanese Economic Association Fall Meeting, Kansai University, September 2023
- [5] The 14th Vietnam Economist Annual Meeting, University of Da Nang, July 2023
- [6] ISER Seminar Series, ISER, Osaka University, June 2023
- [7] The RCPD Research Seminar on Contemporary Economics, Tohoku University, September 2022
- [8] Japanese Economic Association Spring Meeting, Yokohama University, May 2022

Programming Skills

Python, R, Julia, MATLAB.

LANGUAGES

Vietnamese (native), English (fluent), Japanese (advanced).

MEMBERSHIP

Japanese Economic Association

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Participant, The IMF's 8th Macroeconomist Training Program. VENUE: JICA Tokyo (Tokyo International Center). DATE: January 9–10, 2020.

President, Tohoku University Graduate Student Association. February, 2022 – September, 2023

REFERENCES

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