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References:

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University Distinguished Professor of Economics

M.A. in Economics 2017

Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa

B.A. (summa cum laude) in Economics, Minor in Mathematics 2015

Research Primary: International Trade

Interests Secondary: Development, Applied Microeconometrics

WORKING [1] The Dynamics of Global Sourcing

Papers Winner of the 2020 FREIT-EIIT Best Graduate Student Paper Award; Shortlisted for the 2020 WTO

Essay Award for Young Economists

Though input trade accounts for a significant share of global trade, little has been done to study the movement of firms in and out of import markets. To fill in the gap, this paper presents and estimates a dynamic, multi-country model of input imports with heterogeneous firms. The model incorporates intra-temporal interdependence across countries, while an inter-temporal link is embedded in the country-specific sunk entry costs. Using a sample of Chinese chemical producers between 2000 and 2006, I obtain the bounds for the fixed and sunk costs of importing by applying a partial identification approach under the revealed preferences assumption. The baseline results indicate that source countries are complementary in the sense that sourcing from an additional country increases the marginal benefits of other countries. Furthermore, a continuing importer pays between 7.81% and 27.06% of the average marginal revenue gain, while the average importing cost for a new importer is higher, ranging between 12.87% and 39.75% of the revenue gain of importing from a new source. The existence of interdependence across countries and location-specific sunk costs implies that temporary trade policy changes in one market can have long-lasting externalities on other markets.

[2] Anticipation Effects of the TPP on Vietnamese Manufacturing Firms

Using a firm-level dataset between 2010 and 2017, I study whether Vietnamese firms adjusted their productivity in anticipation of the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP). I find that an expected reduction of 10 percentage points in export tariffs leads to a 4% increase in productivity in 2016, the year that the TPP was signed and highly anticipated. However, an expected reduction of 10 percentage points in import tariffs causes a 3% decrease in productivity. The results are consistent with the notion that improved access to export markets and future export revenues encourage productivity-enhancing activities, while increased foreign competition, which lowers future revenues, discourages firms from improving productivity.

Work in Progress The Extended Benefits of Export Promotion: Evidence from Denmark (with Magnus Buus,

and Joel Rodrigue)

Presentation 2021

of Research Society for Economic Dynamics Annual Meeting, Barcelona*

2020

Winter Meetings of the Econometric Society

Southern Economics Association Annual Meeting

Empirical Investigations in International Trade Conference

Applied Young Economists Webinar

Pre-Job Market Conference, Federal Reserve Board of Governors

Kobe University (joint with University of Tokyo)

Young Economists Symposium

 $International\ Industrial\ Organization\ Conference\ (Rising\ Star\ session),\ PA^*$

Crawford School of Public Policy, Australian National University, ACT*

Brown Bag Seminar, University of Melbourne, VIC*

International Trade Workshop, University of New South Wales, NSW*

Australasian Trade Workshop, Canberra, ACT*

PhD Summer Institute in International Trade, Adelaide, SA*

(*canceled/rescheduled due to COVID-19)

2019

International Economics Seminar, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH Graduate Research Symposium, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN International Economics Seminar, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN

2018

Missouri Valley Economic Association Meeting, Memphis, TN

Graduate Research Symposium, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN

TEACHING Ins

Instructor

EXPERIENCE Vanderbilt University

Principles of Microeconomics Summer 2019

Teaching Assistant

Vanderbilt University

Undergraduate courses

Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory
Macroeconomics (elective)
Intermediate Microeconomic Theory
International Trade
Principles of Microeconomics

Fall 2017, Fall 2018
Spring 2019
Spring 2017
Spring 2018
Spring 2019

Master-level courses

	Macroeconomic Theory International Trade PhD-level courses	Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2018 Spring 2018
	Macroeconomic Theory II Statistical Analysis	Spring 2017 Fall 2016
	Practice and Pedagogy Leader , Teaching Assistant Orientation Certificate of Teaching for College , Center for Learning and T	
Awards, Grants, and Fellowships	FREIT-EIIT Award for Best Graduate Student Paper Walter B. Noel Dissertation Fellowship - Vanderbilt University International Economics Ph.D. Fellowship - Dartmouth Colleg Graduate School Travel Grant, Vanderbilt University Kirk Dornbush Summer Research Grants - Vanderbilt Universit Council of Economics Graduate Students Grants - Vanderbilt U Graduate Summer Language Training Grant - Vanderbilt University Harold Stirling Vanderbilt Graduate Fellowship - Vanderbilt U University Graduate Fellowship - Vanderbilt University Charles Cochranl Award (Economics) - Cornell College Sarah Frances Bush Award (Math and Statistics) - Cornell Colle Phi Beta Kappa	Fall 2019 2020 2020 2016, 2018 2018, 2020 2018, 2020 2015–2020 2015–present 2015
Other Experience	Dartmouth College International Economics Ph.D. Fellow Vanderbilt University Research Assistant for Joel Rodrigue Vietnam Chamber of Commerce and Industry Intern	Fall 2019 Summer 2017 Summer 2015
Professional Activities	Referee Journal of International Economics Discussant Young Economists Symposium Missouri Valley Economics Association Conference	2020 2018
Technical Skills	Statistical Software: Matlab, Stata Other: Python	
Languages	Vietnamese (native), English (fluent)	