

# Hayato Umetani

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## Education

Ph.D. in Graduate School of International Cooperation Studies, Kobe University

Apr. 2023–

Master in Graduate School of International Cooperation Studies, Kobe University

Apr. 2021– Mar. 2023

Bachelor in Policy Studies / United Nations and Foreign Affairs Studies (Multiple Degrees), Kwansei Gakuin University  
*summa cum laude*

Apr. 2017– Mar. 2021

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## Research Interests

Development Economics, Environmental Economics

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## Publications

”Heterogeneous effects of Aid-for-Trade on donor exports: Why is Japan different?” (with Shuhei Nishitateno) *Review of International Economics*, 1–29.

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## Working Papers

”Wildfires, Pollution, and Pregnancy Outcomes: Evidence from Lightning Strikes” Download

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## Ongoing Projects

”Wildfires and the Labor Market”

”The Impact of Children’s Cafeteria on Child Development” with Kengo Igei and Makiko Nakamuro

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## Presentations

**2025:** University of Tokyo, AERE Summer Conference

**2024:** J-TREE Workshop, Keio University, Musashi University, JEA Annual Meeting (poster), SEEPS Annual Conference, Occasional Workshop in Environmental and Resource Economics (UCSB), OSIPP Lunch Seminar, ISER Moriguchi Prize Seminar, AASLE

**2023:** SEEPS Annual Conference

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## Relevant Positions

<b>Research Fellowship for Young Scientists</b> , Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS)	Apr. 2024 –
<b>JST SPRING program student</b> , Kobe University	Apr. 2023 – Mar. 2024
<b>Research Assistant</b> , Center for Evidence Co-creation	Nov. 2023 –
<b>Research Assistant</b> for Jun Goto, Tomoko Matsumoto, Junichi Yamasaki, Kobe University	May. 2022 – Feb. 2024
<b>Research Assistant</b> for Professor Takahiro Ito, Kobe University	Oct. 2021 – Feb. 2022
<b>Research Assistant</b> for Professor Shuhei Nishitateno, Kwansei Gakuin University	Sep. 2020 – Mar. 2021
<b>United Nations Youth Volunteer</b> at UNICEF Vietnam (full-time)	Sep. 2018 – Feb. 2019

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## Teaching Experiences

**Teaching Assistant** for Microeconomics, Graduate School of International Cooperation Studies, Kobe University  
Instructor: Takahiro Ito

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## Awards & Scholarships

<b>Runner up of the 27th Moriguchi prize</b> , Osaka University	Nov. 2024
<b>JASSO Scholarship (full exemption)</b>	Apr. 2021 – Mar. 2023
<b>Scholarship for Doctoral Students</b> , Kobe University	Mar. 2023
<b>SPS Award Top 10</b> , Kwansei Gakuin University, award for students with the top 10 GPA	Mar. 2018/2020/2021
<b>Ambo Award</b> , Kwansei Gakuin University, award for senior thesis	Mar. 2021
<b>Kojima Award</b> , Kwansei Gakuin University, award for junior thesis	Mar. 2020
<b>Industry-Academia Partnership Ikuei Scholarship</b> , Kwansei Gakuin University	Mar. 2018/2019/2020
<b>Reunion Scholarship</b> , Kwansei Gakuin University	Mar. 2019

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## Skills

Software: R, Stata, Python, QGIS  
Languages: English, Japanese

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## Memberships

American Economic Association, Association of Environmental and Resource Economists, Econometric Society, Japanese Economic Association, Society for Environmental Economics and Policy Studies