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EDUCATION

University of Oxford

M.Phil. in Economics

Oxford

Oct. 2022 - present

Peking University, Guanghua School of Management

B.A. in Economics

Beijing

Sept. 2018 - Jun. 2022

- Overall GPA: 3.77/4.0, Major GPA ¹: 3.85/4.0

WORK IN PROGRESS & WORKING PAPERS

Breaking the “Iron Rice Bowl”: Employment Insecurity and Intra-Household Bargaining

Independent research paper ([link to the latest version](#))

Aug. 2021 - present

- Exploited the exogenous negative labor demand shocks induced by China’s state-owned enterprises (SOE) reform, which targeted only on SOE employees
- Conducted DID analysis using variation in households’ job composition prior to the reform, the policy initiation year, and the treatment intensity at province-year level
- Ruled out income effects by directly examining families’ income dynamics and keeping only those whose employment status did not change

Fertility Restrictions and Old-age Labor Supply: Evidence from China’s “LLF” Campaign

Research paper ([link to the latest version](#))

Apr. 2021 - Sept. 2021

- Investigated how early exposure to family planning policy affected the labor supply behavior in old age
- Conducted a generalized cohort DID by exploiting variation in mothers’ cohorts, policy initiation time, and information on the decline in age-specific fertility rates in each province
- Probed into possible mechanisms behind the positive effects for females in rural regions, such as intra-family economic transfers from their children

RA EXPERIENCE

Peking University, Guanghua School of Management

Research Assistant for Prof. [Alan Yang](#)

Aug. 2021 - Sept. 2022

- Project: “Increasing China’s Fertility Rate: Policy Tools and Aggregate Outcomes”, a GE-OLG model integrating quantity-quality tradeoffs and family planning policies in China
- Calculated the data moments needed for estimating the model from household survey datasets and census data (4 waves of 0.1% population, tens of millions of observations) in China
- Conducted DID analysis on the relaxation of One-Child Policy as a validation exercise for the quantitative predictions of the model

¹ Here ([link](#)) are the courses’ information and additional evidence about my extensive coursework preparation.

Peking University, Guanghua School of Management

Research Assistant for Prof. Li-An Zhou

Sept. 2019 - Nov. 2019

- Contacted with prefectural governments personally to obtain original texts of China's Five-Year Plan, and collected anticipatory indicators from the original texts
- Conducted preliminary data analysis to explore the policy implementation patterns of local governments such as the top-down amplification of targets using Stata

SOFTWARE SKILLS & ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Proficient in Stata; experienced in R, Matlab, and Fortran
- Familiar with China's and America's micro household surveys
- TOEFL iBT: 109; GRE: Verbal 163, Quantitative 170, Analytical Writing 4.0

RELEVANT COURSES

Advanced Econometrics II (PhD level) (94/100); Topics on Economic Research (Graduate level) (96/100); Labor Economics (97/100); Public Finance: Theory and Policy (94/100); Strategies and Game Theory (98/100); Linear Algebra (91/100); Probability and Statistics (90/100); Advanced Mathematics (2) (98/100)