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Research Fields

Industrial Organization, Agricultural Economics, Environmental Economics

Education

Ph.D. in Public Policy   2024 – present
University of Chicago - Harris School of Public Policy
B.A. in Physics and Computer Science   2021
University of California, Berkeley

Awards and Honors

Becker Friedman Institute Industrial Organization Initiative $5,000 (2025)

Teaching Experience

University of Chicago
Undergraduate
    Public Policy Senior Thesis Advisor   2025–2026
        Prof. Maria Angélica Bautista
Masters
    Data Analytics and Visualization (Head TA)   Winter 2026
        Profs. Peter Ganong and Maggie Shi
PhD
    Econometrics III   Spring 2026
        Prof. Koichiro Ito

Previous Employment

Research Assistant (Full-time)   2022 – 2024
NYU Stern School of Business, Department of Economics, New York, NY
Research assistance with Professors Christopher Conlon, Paul Scott, and Michael Dickstein in the empirical IO group

Strategist (Full-time)   2021 – 2022
Goldman Sachs, Quantitative Investment Strategies, New York, NY
Designed internal tools and metrics for ESG investing in the Asset Management Division.

Computational Imaging Intern 2019

Rokid R-Lab, San Carlos, CA

Implemented deep learning CNN for Super Resolution in camera optics to improve picture quality.

Basketball Analyst Intern 2019

NBA Dallas Mavericks, Dallas, TX

Built visualization tools for player shooting trends.

Skills & Languages

Languages: English (Native), Chinese (Fluent)

Programming: Python, MATLAB, AMPL, Julia, Pytorch, GIS, Geopandas

Hobbies

Basketball, Photography

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