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Academic Positions:

Middle Tennessee State University

Assistant Professor of Economics	2017 – Present
Affiliated Faculty, Political Economy Research Institute	2022 – Present

Vanderbilt University

Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics	2016 – 2017
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Short-term Visits:

Bank of Thailand, Thailand	Summer 2019, Winter 2020, Summer 2022
Chulalongkorn University, Thailand	Summer 2018

Education:

Ph.D. Economics, **University of Wisconsin-Madison**, 2016
M.S. Economics, **University of Wisconsin-Madison**, 2012
B.A. Economics, **Chulalongkorn University**, Thailand, 2010
First class honors with gold medal (ranked first in major)

Fields of Interest:

International Trade, Trade Policy, WTO, Trade Agreements, Search Models

Publications:

1. "Who Are Pure Exporters?" (with Doungdao Mahakitsiri), *The World Economy*, 2022.
<https://doi.org/10.1111/twec.13351>
2. "Protection for Sale: Evidence from Around the World" (with Andrew Jonelis), *Public Choice*, 2022, 191, 237–267. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11127-022-00964-8>
3. "Why Does the WTO Treat Export Subsidies and Import Tariffs Differently?" (with Tanapong Potipiti), *Review of World Economics*, 2022, 158, 1137–1172. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10290-022-00457-2>
4. "The International Spillover Effects of US Trade Policy Uncertainty," *Economics Letters*, 2022, 212.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.econlet.2022.110286>
5. "Optimal Trade Policy, Equilibrium Unemployment, and Labor Market Inefficiency," *Review of International Economics*, 2020, 28, 1232–1268. <https://doi.org/10.1111/roie.12492>
6. "The Role of the Most Favored Nation Principle of the GATT/WTO in the "New Trade" Model," *Review of International Economics*, 2020, 28, 760–798. <https://doi.org/10.1111/roie.12470>
7. "Trade Restrictiveness Index of Non-Tariff Barriers Under the CES Preference," *International Economic Journal*, 2020, 34(1), 48–57. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10168737.2019.1671475>
8. "Endogenous Markup, Per Capita Income and Population Size in the Gravity Equation," *The B.E. Journal of Theoretical Economics*, 2019, 19(2), 1–16. <https://doi.org/10.1515/bejte-2017-0166>
9. "A Note on 'Jobs, Jobs, Jobs: A 'New' Perspective on Protectionism' of Costinot (2009)," *Economics Letters*, 2017, 157, 163–166. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.econlet.2017.05.036>

Working Papers:

1. "The International Spillover Effects of Trade Policy Uncertainty on the Stockpiling and Destocking of US Imports," R&R at the *Review of International Economics*

2. "Welfare Losses from Asymmetric Reductions in Trade Costs," R&R at *International Economic Journal*.
3. "Consequences of Thailand's Coup in 2006: Evidence from the Synthetic Control Method," 2nd R&R at the *European Journal of Political Economy*.
4. "Exchange Rate Volatility and Cross-Border Travel," under review
5. "Informal Loans in Thailand: Machine Learning Methods" (with Pim Pinitjitsamut), under review
6. "Productivity Heterogeneity and the Quest to Global Free Trade" (with Yaohan Duan)
7. "Optimal Trade Policy in a Ricardian Model with Labor-Market Search-and-Matching Frictions"
8. "COVID-19 and Endogenous Public Avoidance: Insights from an Economic Model"

Work in Progress:

1. "The Asymmetric Impact of Acquisition on Firms Performance: Evidence from Manufacturing Firms in Thailand"
2. "A Simple Complex Model of Brand Values"
3. "Why Don't Countries Trade After All?"

Awards, Scholarships, and Grants:

- The 3rd place, [UN Big Data Hackathon 2022](#)
- The 2020-2021 Bridgestone Americas Distinguished Lecturer award
- Puey Ungphakorn Institute for Economic Research's research grant, 2020
- Puey Ungphakorn Institute for Economic Research's research grant, 2018
- The Dean's Fund for Research Excellence, Jennings A. Jones College of Business, MTSU, 2017
- Finalist for the WTO Essay Award for Young Economists, WTO, 2016
- Wisconsin Alumni Association (WAA) Scholarship, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2014
- Gold medal for academic achievement (ranked first in the major), Chulalongkorn University, 2010
- The third-best undergraduate research paper, Bank of Thailand, 2009
- The best undergraduate student in Economics major, Chulalongkorn University, 2009
- Isuzu Group Foundation Scholarship Award for Outstanding University Students, 2009
- Winner, the Economics Competition, hosted by Mae Fah Luang University, Thailand, 2008
- Winner, the National Economics Challenge by Fiscal Policy Office, Ministry of Finance, Thailand, 2008
- Silver medal, Thailand Mathematical Olympiad, 2004

Seminar and Conference Presentations:

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| 2023 | United States International Trade Commission (scheduled); Western Economic Association International Conference (scheduled) |
| 2022 | Bank of Thailand, The 15 th Australian Trade Workshop; Midwest International Trade conference (Spring 2022, Purdue); the 15 th Thailand's National Conference for Economists, Southern Economic Association conference (scheduled) |
| 2021 | ASSA meetings (poster); Western Economic Association International Conference; the 14 th Thailand's National Conference for Economists; Canadian Economics Association meetings; IEA World Congress |
| 2020 | Bank of Thailand; Eastern Economic Association conference (two papers); Chulalongkorn University |
| 2019 | ASSA meetings (Atlanta; two posters); Eastern Economic Association conference; Southern Economic Association conference (two papers); Thammasat University; Thailand Development Research Institute (TDRI) |
| 2018 | Southern Economic Association conference; Eastern Economic Association conference (two papers) |
| 2017 | ASSA meetings (Chicago); Midwest International Trade conference (Fall 2017, SMU); Kentucky Economic Association conference (WKU); Howard University; Middle Tennessee State University; Thammasat University; Kasetsart University; Thailand Development Research Institute (TDRI); Bank of Thailand |

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| 2016 | Midwest International Trade conference (Fall 2016, Purdue; Spring 2016, Rochester); Vanderbilt University; European Trade Study Group (ETSG) conference (Helsinki); Bank of Thailand |
| 2014 | Midwest International Trade conference (Fall 2014, Kansas); Chulalongkorn University; Thammasat University; Thailand Development Research Institute (TDRI) |
| 2009 | The 5 th Thailand's National Conference for Economists; Bank of Thailand |

Teaching Experience:

Middle Tennessee State University

Ph.D. International Trade, Advanced Mathematical Methods for Economists (Ph.D.), Mathematical Methods for Economics (Masters), Economic Decisions for Manager (MBA), International Trade, Financial Markets & Institutions, Principles of Macroeconomics, Intermediate Microeconomic Theory, Managerial Economics.

Vanderbilt University

Money and Banking, International Trade

University of Wisconsin-Madison (Teaching Assistant)

International Trade and Finance, International Industrial Organization, Money and Banking, Intermediate Macroeconomics, Principles of Microeconomics, Environmental Economics.

Chulalongkorn University (Teaching Assistant)

Economic Statistics, Introduction to Econometrics.

Professional Service (External):

Referee Services

Journal of International Economics, Canadian Journal of Economics, The B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics, Review of International Economics, Southern Economic Journal, Eastern Economic Journal, Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics, International Journal of Economic Theory, Economics Bulletin, Southeast Asian Journal of Economics, Thailand and the World Economy, Journal of the Royal Society Interface, Journal of Economic Educators

Ph.D. dissertation (external) examiner

Victoria University of Wellington: Nam Minh Ngo (2021)

Master's thesis (external) examiner

Chulalongkorn University: Natchapon Naknam (2022), Weerachai Pengple (2022), Kritnapat Pongpattanachart (2023), Siratchaya Poolsawas (2022),

Conference Discussions

Southern Economic Association conference (2022), Bank of Thailand's annual workshop (2022), The 15th Australian Trade Workshop, Canadian Economics Association meetings (2022), International Trade Online (2021), Western Economic Association International Conference (2021), Eastern Economic Association conference (2020, 2 papers), Southern Economic Association conference (2019, 3 papers), The 30th East Asian Seminar on Economics by the NBER (2019, 2 papers), Eastern Economic Association conference (2019), Southern Economic Association conference (2018), Eastern Economic Association conference (2018), Kentucky Economic Association conference (2017)

Invited Lecture

Chulalongkorn University (2017, 2018), Thammasat University (2017, 2018, 2019), MTSU Economics Club (2018), Vanderbilt Honors Seminar (2016)

Conference Session Organizer

Southern Economic Association conference (2019)

Conference Attendances:

ASSA Conference (2012, 2016), Midwest International Trade conference (Fall 2018), Midwest Macroeconomic conference (Fall 2018), Handbook of Commercial Policy Conference (2015), Wisconsin School of Business Annual Conference on Money, Banking and Asset Markets (2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015), Conference on Econometrics and Models of Strategic Interactions (2017), Juli Plant Grainger Alumni Conference (2018), The Thailand's National Conference for Economists (2014, 2017, 2018), PIER Research

Workshop (2019, 2022)

Professional Service (internal):

Ph.D. advisees

Yaohan Duan (2022), Seun Fabiyi (expected 2024)

Ph.D. dissertation committee

Linxian Huang (expected 2023)

Committees

Jones College of Business Undergraduate Program Committee, 2019 – 2021

Department Scholarship Committee, 2018 – 2023

Department Graduate Curriculum Committee, 2017 – 2019, 2020 – 2022

Department Economics Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, 2017 – 2019, 2022-2023

Department Search Committee, 2022

Non-academic Writing and Media

- '[What Google Trends tell us about COVID-19](#),' The101.world
- '[A quick review of economic research on COVID-19](#),' ThaiPublica
- '[Who are pure exporters in Thailand?](#),' ThaiPublica
- 'COVID-19 from economists' point of view ([part I](#) & [part II](#)),' aBRIDGED by PIER
- '[The bimodality of export intensity distribution in Thailand](#),' aBRIDGED by PIER
- '[Informal Loans in Thailand](#),' aBRIDGED by PIER

Other Activities:

- Advisor and co-founder of Vanderbilt Go Club, 2016-2017
- University of Chicago Summer Price Theory Camp, Chicago, IL, 2015
- Summer Intern, Monetary Policy Division, Bank of Thailand, 2009

Software: STATA, MATLAB, Eviews, LaTeX

Languages: English (Fluent), Thai (Native)