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About Me

I am a second-year PhD student in Economics at the University of Auckland. My research interests are in the fields of international trade with a special interest in services liberalization. My current work explores how services liberalization impacts manufacturing firms' production performance.

Research Interests

Primary: International Trade, Services Liberalization Secondary: Product Quality, Environment Economics

Education

University of Auckland:

2023 -

Ph.D in Economics

Tongji University:

2019 - 2022

Master of Economics by research

China Jiliang University:

2015 - 2019

Bachelor of Engineering

Teaching Experience

Feb 2024 - July 2024, GTA for Introduction to Econometrics, University of Auckland

Research Papers

Digitization, Product Quality and Geographic Proximity

In progress

Abstract: This study explores the effects of digitization on product quality. Combining firm-product-level data on Indian manufacturing firms from 2001 to 2014 with a sectoral index that captures performance in Indian ICT service sectors used as inputs into manufacturing, I show that better access to ICT services has a positive and statistically significant effect on product quality. This effect is larger for core products and for large firms. Access to digital services impacts product quality upgrading by inducing manufacturing firms to improve worker skills and outsource ICT services. Furthermore, geographic proximity to ICT suppliers is not essential for manufacturing firms to benefit from access to digital services.

Conference and Seminar Presentations

2023, Brown Bag Ph.D workshop, University of Auckland

2024, 2nd PhD Summer Institute in International Trade & Industrial Organisation, University of Canterbury

Honor, Scholarships

2023-2027 Ph.D Program, China Scholarship Council (CSC) scholarship

Computer Skills

STATA, R, LaTex

Languages

Mandarin (Native), English (Fluent)

References

Upon request