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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Economics at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC)

May 2024 (expected)

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M.A. Economics at Sungkyunkwan University, Republic of Korea

August 2017

B.A. Economics at Sungkyunkwan University, Republic of Korea

August 2015

RESEARCH FIELDS AND TOPICS

Labor Economics; Internal migration, Retirement, Demography

Regional Economics; Housing market, Regional econometric input-output model

Applied Microeconometrics; Instrumental variable, Causal inference

RESEARCH

Working Papers

- ❖ Substitutability between prime-age and marginal-retirement-age workers (Job Market Paper)
- Analyzes the effects of internal migration of prime-age workers across 320 U.S. metros during 2002–2019.
- Constructs the instrumental variable, uses a local projection method, and establishes a causal inference analysis.
- Implements the welfare analysis for workers approaching retirement.

Research in Progress

- ❖ Differential response of young and mature firms to labor demand shocks
- ❖ Negative net migration and the local economy (with Geoffrey Hewings)
- ❖ Is this time really different? Impacts of COVID-19 on state and local economies and housing markets (with Jiyoung Chae, Ivan Caceres, and Geoffrey Hewings)
- * Assessing the validity of fiscal contract theory: An examination of adopting value-added tax

Research Experience

❖ Regional Economics Application Laboratory: Supervised by *Prof. Geoffrey Hewings*

2019 - 2021

2023

- Issued the monthly Chicago Business Activity Index report (CBAI): Generated by combining national components with local dynamic factors, derived from partitioned regression and principal components methods.
- Evaluated regional impact with the Regional Econometric Input-Output Model, analyzing how events like the Chicago Marathon and Ameren's capital/O&M sector growth influence regional output, income, and employment.

Conferences and Seminars

Western Economic Association International (San Diego, US), PhD-EVS (Virtual, International), Midwest Econometrics Group Conference (Cleveland, US), Korea-America Economic Association Job Market Conference (Virtual, US), North American Meetings of the Regional Science Association International (San Diego, US)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant

❖ Big Data Analytics in Finance (Graduate course),	Prof. Gao Xing	Fall 2023-present
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- Instruct on implementing diverse statistical and machine learning algorithms in R to solve business challenges and capitalize on opportunities.

- Topics: Data visualization, Regression, Lasso, Trees, Bagging, Random Forests, Boosting, Neural Networks, Randomized control trials, Causal designs, R programming within AWS.

❖ Macroeconomic Principles, Prof. Vazquez Jose

Fall 2022–Spring 2023

- Presented various macroeconomic concepts through self-developed materials in weekly sessions, simplifying complex ideas into easily understandable language.

❖ Macroeconomic Principles, Prof. Ramses Armendariz Buaun
 ❖ Statistical Analysis for Economics, Prof. In-Moo Kim
 ❖ Mathematical Statistics (Graduate course), Prof. In-Moo Kim
 Spring 2022
 ❖ Spring 2016

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Travel Award, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	2023
Department Fellowship, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	2017 – 2018
The National Research Scholarship (Humanities and Social Sciences), KOSAF	2016
Cho Byeongdu Scholarship, Sungkyunkwan University	2014 – 2015
Excellence Award, Undergraduate Paper Competition, Sungkyunkwan University	2014
Excellence Award, International Development Competition, Korea Export-Import Bank	2013
Special Award, Thesis Competition, Market Economic Research Institute	2013
Best Prize, Thesis Competition, Korea Development Institute	2012

OTHER INFORMATION

Languages: English (fluent), Korean (native) Skills: STATA, R, Python, SQL (basic)

Activities and communities: Military Service (Sergeant, Republic of Korea Air Force), Dasan Finance Club

References

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