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Academic Position

Peking University, HSBC Business School
  2018–   Assistant Professor of Economics

Education

University of California, Berkeley
  2018   Ph.D., Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics
            Concentration: International Economics, Development Economics
  2013   M.S., Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics

Yale University
  2012   M.E.Sc., Environmental Economics

Shantou University
  2008   B.S., Electrical Engineering

University of Virginia
  2007   Semester at Sea Program (Spring)

Research Interests

  International Economics, Development Economics

Publications

  2020   "Inferring Informal Risk-sharing Regimes: Evidence from Rural Tanzania" (with E. Ligon),
            Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, 177: 941–955.
  2020   "What Do Private Firms Do after Losing Political Capital? Evidence from China" (with L.
            Cheng), *Journal of Corporate Finance*, 60: 101551.
  2019   "The Long-Run Effects of Government Spending on Structural Change: Evidence from
            Second World War Defense Contracts" (with D. Koustas), *Economics Letters*, 178: 66-69.

Working Papers

  2021   "Scale and Scope: A Property Rights Approach" (with T. Tong and M. Xu).
  2021   "Local Effects of Global Capital Flows: A China Shock in the U.S. Housing Market" (with
            L. Shen and C. Zhang).
  2020   "Political Connections, Competition, and Innovation: Quasi-Experimental Evidence from
            Chinese Firms" (with L. Cheng). R&R, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*.
  2018   "Structural Transformation in China: The Roles of Trade and Migration Cost Reductions."

Other Publications

Op-Eds
2017	"China Must Rethink Free Float for the Yuan, as US Border Tax Looms" (with W. Zhong), *South China Morning Post*, March.
2016	"China Needs Reform Not Another Investment Splurge" (with W. Zhong), *Financial Times*, February.

· Translated version in Chinese appeared in *FTChinese*.

Old Stuff on Environmental Science
2011	"An Application of Behavioral Modeling to Characterize Urban Angling Decisions and Values" (with Bingham et al.), *North American Journal of Fisheries Management* 31: 257-268.
2011	"An Empirical Evaluation of the Accuracy of the Hartley and Rao (1962) Variance Approximation Following PPS Systematic Sampling" (with T. Gregoire), *Pakistan Journal of Statistics* 27(4): 555-566.

Note: The work for these papers was done while I was a master's student at Yale University.

Awards and Grants

Awards
2020	Teaching Excellence Award, Peking University Shenzhen Graduate School
2020	Faculty Excellence Award, Peking University HSBC Business School
2019	Faculty Excellence Award, Peking University HSBC Business School
2019	Overseas High-Caliber Personnel, Shenzhen Municipal Government
2012	Student Marshall, Yale University
2008	First Prize Winner in "21st Century Cup" National English Speaking Competition, China Daily
2008	Li Ka Shing Foundation University Medal Nominee, Shantou University
2006	Li Ka Shing Foundation Semester at Sea Scholarship, Shantou University

Grants
2019	Centre of Excellence for Development Impact and Learning Small Projects (Co-I)
2019	Innovations for Policy Action Peace & Recovery Program, Pilot Study (Co-I)
2018	Giannini Foundation Mini-Grant, University of California
2017	Giannini Foundation Mini-Grant, University of California
2014	Summer Research Grant, UC Berkeley
2013	Travel Grant, UC Berkeley
2012	Jubitz Family Endowment for Research Fund, Yale University

Teaching

Peking University HSBC Business School, Instructor
International Economics (PhD), 2019–2020
Research Methodology (MA), 2019–2020, 2020–2021
Advanced Macroeconomics II (MA), 2018–2019, 2020–2021
Applied Microeconomics (MA), 2018–2019, 2019–2020

UC Berkeley, Graduate Student Instructor
Macroeconomic Theory (undergraduate), 2017–2018
International Trade (undergraduate), 2015–2016, 2016–2017
Development Economics (undergraduate), 2014–2015, 2015–2016
Macroeconomics in the Global Economy (undergraduate), 2014–2015

Stanford University Pre-Collegiate Summer Institutes, Instructor
  Introduction to Economics (Methodist Girls' School, Singapore), Summer 2015
Note: All courses are taught in English unless noted otherwise.

Professional Activities

Conference Papers
2021	American Finance Association Annual Meeting (online)
2020	American Economic Association Annual Meeting (San Diego)
2020	Pacific Conference for Development Economics (Berkeley)
2020	Northern Finance Association Annual Conference (online)
2019	Urban Economics Association Meeting (Philadelphia)
2019	China Conference on Growth and Development (Wuhan University)
2019	PHBS Workshop in Macroeconomics and Finance (Shenzhen)
2019	New Structural Economics Symposium (Beijing)
2018	International Monetary Fund and Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta Workshop "China in the Global Economy" (Washington D.C.)
2017	UC Berkeley Trade Workshop
2017	UC Berkeley GEMS Conference
2015	Chinese Economist Society Conference (Guangzhou)
2012	American Economic Association Annual Meetings (Chicago)

Invited Seminars
  Harbin Institute of Technology–Shenzhen (School of Economics and Management), Peking University HSBC Business School, UC Berkeley ARE Seminar, UC Berkeley Economics Seminar

Referee Activities
  Journal of Public Economics, China Economic Review, Journal of Transport Economics and Policy

University Service
  PhD Supervisor (2020–present), Master's Supervisor (2018–present), PHBS PhD Committee (2019–2021), PHBS Seminar Coordinator (2019–2020), UC Berkeley ARE PhD Admissions Committee (student member, 2015–2016), UC Berkeley Trade Workshop Coordinator (Spring 2016)

Media

Interviews
  China Global Television Network, Global Watch program on Shenzhen's economy, Aug 25, 2020

Coverage
  "Jon Sindreu on Global Financial Flows and the Balance of Trade," *Macro Musings*, Aug 3, 2020.
  "A Developing Story," *National Affairs*, Mar 25, 2019.

Industry Experience

2008–2010	Associate Analyst, Veritas Economic Consulting, Cary, North Carolina, USA

Miscellany

  Languages: Cantonese, Mandarin, English
  References available upon request

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