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Employment

Associate Professor (without tenure), Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, 2024 -
Assistant Professor, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, 2021 - 2024

Other Professional Associations

Associate Editor, China Economic Review, 2026 -
Research Fellow, Shanghai Institute of International Finance and Economics, 2022 - 2023

Education

Ph.D. in Economics, University of Rochester, USA, 2021
Advisor: Ronni Pavan (Main), Lisa Kahn
M.A. in Economics, University of Rochester, USA, 2018
M.A. in Economics, Vanderbilt University, USA, 2015
B.S. in Agricultural Resources and Environment, Zhejiang University, China, 2013

Research Fields

Applied Economics, Labor Economics, Urban Economics

Publications

[1] "Migration, Housing Constraint, and Inequality: A Quantitative Analysis of China", with Min Fang, *Labour Economics*, October 2022, Volume 78: 102200

[2] "Fertility and Delayed Migration: How Son Preference Protects Young Girls against Mother-Child Separation", with Xu Jiang, and Ang Sun, *Journal of Development Economics*, January 2024, Volume 166: 103191

[3] "Biting the Hand That Teaches: Unraveling the Economic Impact of Banning Private Tutoring in China", with Yinan Liu, Mingming Ma and Leo Y. Yang, *Journal of Comparative Economics*, December 2025, Volume 53, Issue 4

[4] "Place-based Land Policy and Spatial Misallocation: Theory and Evidence from China", with Min Fang, Libin Han, Ming Lu and Li Zhang, *International Economic Review*, October 2026, Volume 67, Issue 4: 1159-1182

[5] "Foreign Direct Investment and Intergenerational Occupational Mobility: Evidence from China", with Jianpeng Deng, Qing Shi, and Xin Zhao, *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, June 2026, Volume 246: 107557

[6] "Fertility, Child Gender, and Parental Migration Decision: Evidence from One Child Policy in China", with Lin Lin and Junsen Zhang, *Forthcoming at Quantitative Economics*

[7] "Sex and the City: Spatial Structural Changes and the Marriage Market", with Min Fang, Yushi Wang, and Alan Yu Yang, *Forthcoming at International Economic Review*

In Chinese:

[1] "Population Migration and the Development of Rural High Schools: Evidence from Micro-level Education Finance Data", with Xiaolin Guo, Alan Yu Yang, Zizhe Zhang, and Nan Zhao, *World Economy (shi jie jing ji), 2025(6)*

[2] "Economic Incentive for Tiger Parents in China: Education Return and Parenting Style", with Jia Wu, Yaqi Liu, and Pengfei Chu, *World Economy (shi jie jing ji), 2026(7)*

Working Papers (Under Revision)

[1] "School Restrictions, Migration and Peer Effects: A Spatial Equilibrium Analysis of Children's Human Capital in China", *with Junsen Zhang*, Revise and Resubmit at *Quantitative Economics*

Working Papers

[1] "Pandemic, Parental Migration, and Education Inequality: Evidence from Rural China", *with Pengfei Chu, Jia Wu, and Junsen Zhang*

[2] "Defensive Innovation: US-China Trade War and College Major Choice", *with Xiaohua Bao, Qin Chen, Lei Li, and Mengyuan Wang*

[3] "Growing without Divergence: The Impact of Innovation on Low- and High-skilled Migration in China", *with Suqin Ge, Naijia Guo, Junsen Zhang, and Li Zhang*

[4] "Truncating the Tail: Wage Caps and the Human Capital Pipeline in Finance", *with Qin Chen, Mengyuan Wang, and Wenjian Xu*

Work In Progress

[1] "Government Finance and Worker Migration across U.S. States", *with Minjie Deng, Min Fang, and Chang Liu*

[2] "Hukou Restriction, Female Migration, and Service Sector Growth in China", *with Naijia Guo, Ming Lu, Xican Xi, and Yuejun Zhong*

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant, University of Rochester

Econometrics (Undergraduate) – Professor Ronni Pavan (Fall 2019)

Freakonomics (Undergraduate) – Professor Lisa Kahn (Spring 2019)
Intermediate Microeconomics (Undergraduate) – Professor Steven Landsburg (Fall 2018)
Intro to Econometrics (Ph.D.) – Professor Bin Chen (Spring 2018, Spring 2020)
Math Stats/Econometrics (Ph.D.) – Professor Nese Yildiz (Fall 2017)
Applied Econometrics (Undergraduate) – Professor Bin Chen (Spring 2017)

Instructor, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics
Quantitative Spatial General Equilibrium Model (Graduate)
Frontier Topics in Empirical Economics (Graduate)
Seminar in International Trade (Undergraduate)
International Trade (Undergraduate)

Instructor, Summer Schools and Workshops
SPACE Summer School 2024, Shanghai Jiaotong University

Fellowships, Scholarships, and Awards

Doctoral Fellowships, Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange, 2020
Roe L. Johns Student Travel Grants from Association for Education Finance and Policy, 2020
River Campus Library Data Grant, 2019
Best Fifth Year Paper in Empirical Economics, University of Rochester, 2019
Alibaba *Huoshui* Research Plan, Alibaba Group, 2019
Conibear Prize for Best Third Year Paper, University of Rochester, 2018
Summer Research Grant, University of Rochester Summer 2016, 2017
Graduate Fellowship and Tuition Scholarship, University of Rochester, 2015-2020
Most Outstanding Student of GPED, Vanderbilt University, 2015
James S. and Rosemary Worley Award for First Year Master Student, Vanderbilt University, 2014

Fundings

National Science Foundation of China (Grant No. 72403152), 2024
Shanghai Baiyulan Program for Young Researchers, 2023
Shanghai Education Science Research Program (Grant No. C2023077), 2023

Conference & Seminar Presentations

2026 Peking University, Renmin University, Central University of Finance and Economics, Dongbei University of Finance and Economics, UIBE, Xiamen University, Hong Kong Labor Symposium, International SPACE Workshop, Chinese Economists Society Annual Conference, ABFER Annual Conference, Summer Meeting in Urban Economics, GLO-IESR Conference, CES Annual Conference (Attended and planned)

2025 University of Gottingen, Renmin University, The University of Nottingham-Ningbo, Xiamen University, Zhejiang University, Southwestern University of Finance and Economics,

Central University of Finance and Economics, Shandong University, Shandong University of Finance and Economics, Annual International Conference of China and Development Studies, 2nd Kiel-Gottingen-CEPR Conference "China in the Global Economy", Jinan-SMU Conference on Urban and Regional Economics, PHBS-IER 2025 Conference*, NBER Chinese Economy Working Group Meeting*, Sino-Japan SPACE Workshop*

2024 China Education Financial Seminar, Zhejiang University, Fudan University, Nanjing University, Hong Kong Labor Symposium, Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society, China International Conference in Macroeconomics, Stockman Conference at the University of Rochester, Summer Meeting in Urban Economics, Sino-Japanese SPACE Workshop, Duke Kunshan University, Sun Yat-sen University, Hong Kong Baptist University, Tongji University

2023 CCER at Peking University, School of Finance at Renmin University, IESR at Jinan University, Shanghai Jiaotong University, Fudan University, Nanjing University, Zhejiang University of Finance and Economics, Beijing Normal University, Stockman Conference at the University of Rochester, UEA North America Meeting

2022 Department of Population Studies at Renmin University, Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society, Shanghai Jiaotong University

2021 Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, Hanqing Advanced Institute at Renmin University, University of Pennsylvania, Fudan University, Zhejiang University, Nanjing University, Society of the Economics of the Household Annual Conference, Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society, China Meeting of the Econometric Society, 14th China Economics Summer Institute, CCER Summer Institute, Sun Yat-sen University, Chinese Young Economist Society Conference, Tongji University, University of International Business and Economics, AASLE Annual Conference, Jinan-SMU-ABFER Conference on Urban and Regional Economics, Urban Economics Association North America Meeting, CEC-NTU Joint Workshop, International Symposium on Contemporary Labor Economics (Xiamen), The European Winter Meetings of the Econometric Society

2020 EALE/SOLE/AASLE World Conference, AEA/ASSA Annual Conference, Eastern Economic Association Annual Conference, Chinese Economists Society North America Conference, Association for Education Finance and Policy (AEFP) Annual Conference, Graduate Students in Economics of Education Zoom (GEEZ) Seminars, Chinese Education Finance and Policy Association Virtual Seminar, Forum on Children of Migrants in Jinan University, Webinar Series on The Economics of Migration, Econometric Society World Congress, Young Economists Symposium (YES), Chinese Young Economist Society Conference, Urban Economics Association (UEA) Annual Conference, IESR at Jinan University, E-con of Ed Graduate Student Workshop, AASLE Job Market Event

2019 Jinan University, The State University of New York at Buffalo, International Symposium

on Contemporary Labor Economics (CUHK), International Symposium on Human Capital and Labor Market (CUFE)

2018 China Meeting of Econometrics Society, Chinese Economists Society Annual Conference

(*Participant, presented by coauthors)

Referee Services

Journal of Labor Economics, *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of Human Resources*, *European Economic Review*, *Journal of Population Economics*, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, *China Economic Review*, *Regional Science and Urban Economics*, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, *Labour Economics*, *Journal Asian Economics*, *Journal of Housing Economics*, *Economic Modelling*, *China & World Economy*, *Oxford Economic Papers*, *The World Economy*, *Journal of Human Capital*

Others

Languages: Chinese (native), English (fluent)

Computer Skills: Stata, Julia, Matlab, C#, R, LaTeX