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Current Employment

<i>Position</i>	<i>Institution</i>	<i>Year</i>
Assistant Professor, Department of Economics	University at Buffalo (SUNY)	2020-Present

Previous Positions

<i>Position</i>	<i>Institution</i>	<i>Year</i>
Visiting Scholar, Research Department	Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago	2022, 2023
Research Analyst, Research Department	Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis	2016-2020
Dissertation Intern, Research Department	Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis	2019
Dissertation Fellow, Research Department	Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond	2017
Teaching Assistant	University of Minnesota	2015-2016
Pioneer Research Scholar, Economics	Carroll University	2013-2014
Research Assistant, Department of Mathematics	Carroll University	2012-2013

Education

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Field</i>	<i>Institution</i>	<i>Year</i>
Ph.D.	Economics	University of Minnesota	2020
M.A.	Economics	University of Minnesota	2017
B.Sc.	Mathematics & Economics (<i>summa cum laude</i>)	Carroll University	2014

Research Fields

Macroeconomics, International Finance, Public Finance

Working Papers

“Sovereign Debt Sustainability and Redistribution,” *under review*

“Family Policies and Child Skill Accumulation” with Emily Moschini, *R&R Review of Economic Dynamics*

Publications

“Optimal Redistributive Policy in Debt Constrained Economies,” *Journal of International Economics* (2023), Vol. 144, 103785

“Will the U.S. Velocity of Money Rise up Again? New Evidence from Random Walk Hypothesis,” *Undergraduate Economic Review* (2014), Vol.10: Iss.1, Article 14

Work in Progress

“Sudden Stops and Consumption Inequality with Nonhomothetic Preferences,” with Fernando Arce

“Sovereign Default and Cost of Redistribution”

“Inequality, Redistribution, and Sovereign Risk,” with Stelios Fourakis

“Optimal Default and Redistributive Policies,” with Ross Batzer

Honors and Awards

2020	<i>Best Paper Nomination in Macroeconomics</i> , Winter School by the Delhi School of Economics and the Econometric Society, for “Redistribution, Sovereign Debt, and Optimal Taxation”
2017	<i>AEA Summer Economics Fellowship</i>
2016	<i>Distinguished Teaching Assistant</i> , University of Minnesota
2015	<i>Morton and Artice Silverman Fellowship</i> , University of Minnesota
2014	<i>Bert and Susan Hill Gross Fellowship</i> , University of Minnesota
2014	<i>Mathematics Major of the Year</i> , Carroll University
2014	<i>Phi Kappa Phi</i> , Carroll University
2013, 2014	<i>Who’s Who Among American Colleges and Universities</i> , Carroll University
2013	<i>Outstanding Student in Economics Award</i> , Carroll University

Presentations (* scheduled, + cancelled due to COVID)

2024	Society for the Advancement of Economic Theory (Santiago, Chile) *
2023	University of Rochester; McMaster University; University of Houston; University of Minnesota
2022	Midwest Economics Association Meeting (Minneapolis); Midwest Macroeconomics Meetings (Utah); Asian Econometric Society Meeting (virtual); Australasian Econometric Society Meeting (virtual); European Summer Econometric Society Meeting (Milan); Midwest Macroeconomics Meetings (Dallas)
2021	Econometric Society Meetings: North American Winter (poster), Africa, North American Summer, Asia, China, Australasia, European Summer, Latin American; Virtual Macro Seminar; Society for Economic Dynamics (Minneapolis)
2020	FRB Minneapolis, University at Buffalo; Yale-NUS College; Wesleyan University; International Economics and Finance Workshop ⁺ ; Vietnamese Research Seminar Series (virtual); National Taxation Association Annual Meeting (virtual); Winter School by the Delhi School of Economics and the Econometric Society (virtual)
2019	North American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society (Seattle); FRB St. Louis
2018	Midwest Economics Association Meeting (Evanston); Midwest Macroeconomics Meetings (Madison); European Economic Association Congress (Cologne, Germany)
2017	FRB Richmond; National Taxation Association Annual Meeting (Philadelphia)
2014	FRB Dallas

Teaching Experience

University at Buffalo: Instructor

- Undergraduate: Intermediate Macroeconomics (Spring 2022, 2023), Financial Economics (Spring 2021, 2022)
- Master’s: Macroeconomic Theory (Fall 2020, 2021, 2022), Independent Research (Fall 2022, Spring 2023)
- Ph.D.: Macroeconomic Theory I (Fall 2020, 2021, 2022), Public Finance and Fiscal Policy II (Spring 2021, 2023), Independent Research (Spring 2022), Thesis Guidance (Fall 2022, Spring 2023)

University of Minnesota: Teaching Assistant

- Ph.D.: Macroeconomic Theory (Fall 2015, Spring 2016), Numerical Methods (Summer 2016)

Carroll University: Teaching Assistant/Tutor

- Undergraduate: Intermediate Algebra (Fall 2013, Spring 2014), Computational Thinking (Fall 2012, Spring 2013), Calculus (2011-2014), Introduction to Statistics (2011-2014)

Professional Service

Referee for *Economics Letters*, *Journal of International Economics*, *Macroeconomic Dynamics*

Departmental Service

Master's Macroeconomics Comprehensive Exam Committee (Chair, 2020—Present)

Ph.D. Macroeconomics Comprehensive Exam Committee (2021—Present, Chair in Spring 2022)

Ph.D. Student Admissions Committee (2021—Present)

Ph.D. Committee (2021—Present)

Ph.D. Students

Han Zhang (Advisor), Hang Yang (Committee Member), Haiyan Ding (Committee Member)

Computer Skills

Fortran, Python, MATLAB, Julia, Stata, R, LaTeX, LyX

Languages

English (fluent), Vietnamese (native), Spanish (basic)

Citizenship

Vietnam (U.S. Permanent Resident)

References

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