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Current Position (from July 2026)

Professor
Department of Economics and Finance
College of Business
City University of Hong Kong

Previous Employment

Associate Professor, Economics, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
Academic Director, Kellogg-HKUST EMBA Program, HKUST
Acting Head, MBA+ Thrust, HKUST (Guangzhou)

Education

Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University
Ph.D., Managerial Economics and Strategy
Guanghua School of Management, Peking University
B.A., Economics

Fields of Research Interests

Industrial Organization, Law and Economics, Microeconomics

Professional Position/Services

Associate Editor, RAND Journal of Economics (Oct 2020 – Sep 2023)

Publications

- “Platform Liability Rules: Strict Liability versus Negligence,” Xinyu Hua and Kathryn Spier, *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization*, forthcoming
- “Regulation versus Liability: Timing and Endogenous Standards in Imperfectly Competitive Markets,” Xinyu Hua and Kathryn Spier, *Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics*, forthcoming
- “Product Safety in the Age of AI: Autonomy, R&D, and AI Liability,” Yongmin Chen and Xinyu Hua, *Economic Journal*, 2026
- “Holding Platforms Liable,” Xinyu Hua and Kathryn Spier, *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics*, 2025.
- “Multi-Market Firms and Product Liability: Uniform v.s. Variable Rules,” Yongmin Chen and Xinyu Hua, *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization*, 2024.
- “Settling Lawsuits with Pirates,” Xinyu Hua and Kathryn E. Spier, *International Economic Review*, 2023, Vol. 64, pp. 543-575.

- “Indemnification, Monitoring, and Competition: Evidence from R&D Contracts,” Di Guo, Xinyu Hua, and Kun Jiang, *American Law and Economics Review*, 2022, Vol. 24, pp. 203-246.
- “International Protection of Consumer Data,” Yongmin Chen, Xinyu Hua, and Keith Maskus, *Journal of International Economics*, 2021, Vol. 132.
- “Product Safety, Contracts, and Liability,” Xinyu Hua and Kathryn E. Spier, *RAND Journal of Economics*, 2020, Vol. 51: pp. 233-259.
- “Competition, Product Safety, and Product Liability,” Yongmin Chen and Xinyu Hua, *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization*, 2017, Vol. 33: pp. 237-267.
- “Agency and Strategic Contracts: Theory and Evidence from R&D Agreements in the Pharmaceutical Industry,” Di Guo, Xinyu Hua, and Kun Jiang, *International Journal of Industrial Organization*, 2017, Vol. 54: pp. 37-64.
- “Ex ante Investment, Ex post Remedies, and Product Liability,” Yongmin Chen and Xinyu Hua, *International Economic Review*, 2012, Vol. 53: pp. 845-866.
- “The Right of First Offer,” Xinyu Hua, *International Journal of Industrial Organization*, 2012, Vol. 30: pp.389-397.
- “Product Recall and Liability,” Xinyu Hua, *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization*, 2011, Vol. 27: pp. 113-136.
- “Strategic Ex-ante Contracts: Rent Extraction and Opportunity Costs,” Xinyu Hua, *RAND Journal of Economics*, 2007, Vol. 38: pp. 786-803.
- “Information and Externalities in Sequential Litigation,” Xinyu Hua and Kathryn E. Spier, *Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics*, 2005, 161(2): pp. 215-232.

Teaching Experience

College of Business, City University of Hong Kong

- Managerial Economics (EMBA)
- Application of Game Theory (Undergraduate)

School of Business and Management, HKUST (till June 2026)

- Managerial Microeconomics (MBA, Bilingual EMBA, Kellogg-HKUST EMBA)
- Strategy and Organization (MBA, Bilingual EMBA, Executive Education)
- Competitive Strategy (MBA, MSc)
- Anti-trust Economics and Competition Policy (MSc)
- Frontiers of Economics Research (DBA)

Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University (2004 and 2005)

- Statistical Methods for Management Decisions (MBA)

Teaching Awards and Nominations

School of Business and Management, HKUST

- Winner, Franklin Prize for Excellence in Teaching (MBA required course), 2024
- Winner, Franklin Prize for Excellence in Teaching (MBA required course), 2020
- Winner, Franklin Prize for Excellence in Teaching (MBA/MSc electives), 2016
- Finalist, Franklin Prize for Excellence in Teaching (MBA required course), 2015
- Winner, Franklin Prize for Excellence in Teaching (MBA required course), 2011

- Winner, Franklin Prize for Excellence in Teaching (MBA/MSc electives), 2008
- Finalist, Franklin Prize for Excellence in Teaching (MBA/MSc electives), 2006

Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University

- Doctoral Teaching Award for Distinction in Teaching, 2005

Research Grants

- *PI*, Hong Kong Research Grants Council, General Research Fund
Project Title: “AI Safety, Liability, and Regulation”
Duration: Jan 2026-Dec 2027
- *PI*, Hong Kong Research Grants Council, General Research Fund #16500722
Project Title: “Platform Liability”
Duration: Jan 2022-Jun 2025
- *PI*, Hong Kong Research Grants Council, General Research Fund #16501019
Project Title: “Market Difference, Product Safety, and Liability Regimes”
Duration: Jan 2020- Jun 2022
- *PI*, Hong Kong Research Grants Council, General Research Fund #16513916
Project Title: “Agency and Indemnification”
Duration: Jan 2017- Jun 2019
- *PI*, Hong Kong Research Grants Council, General Research Fund #691113
Project Title: “Strategic Contracts and Agency”
Duration: Jan 2014- Jun 2016
- *PI*, Hong Kong Research Grants Council, General Research Fund #642211
Project Title: “Innovation, Safety, and Product Liability”
Duration: Jan 2011- Jun 2013
- *PI*, Hong Kong Research Grants Council, General Research Fund #642008
Project Title: “Product Recall and Liability”
Duration: Jan 2009 – Jun 2011
- *PI*, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, SBI Grant #06/07.BM03
Project Title: “Ex-ante Contracts and Renegotiation”
Duration: Jan 2007 – Dec 2009
- *PI*, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, DAG Grant #05/06.BM18
Project Title: “Incentive Contracts”
Duration: Dec 2005 – Nov 2008

Consulting Services

- Anti-trust consulting for the Anti-trust Authority in China
- Strategy consulting for some companies