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Employment

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics and Finance, City University of Hong Kong
2023-

Research Associate, Center for Economics of Human Development and Department of Economics, University of Chicago 2020-2023

Postdoctoral Scholar, Center for Economics of Human Development and Department of Economics, University of Chicago 2016- 2020

Education

Ph.D., Economics, University of Western Ontario, August 2016

M.S., Economics, Beijing Normal University, 2010

B.A., Finance, Beijing Normal University, 2007

Fields of Research Interest

Applied Microeconomics, Applied Econometrics, and Development Economics

Publications

- “Identifying Agent’s Information Sets: an Application to a Lifecycle Model of Schooling, Consumption and Labor Supply,” *Review of Economic Dynamics*, 25, 2017 (with Salvador Navarro)
- “Discussion on Treatment Effects and the Measurement of Skills in a Prototypical Home Visiting Program,” Vox article (with James Heckman, Bei Liu, and Mai Lu)
- “The Economics of Child Development with an Application to Home Visiting at Scale” Handbook of “The Scale-up Effect in Early Childhood and Public Policy,” 2021 (with James Heckman and Bei Liu)
- “Tests of Early Childhood Skill Learning Patterns,” *Journal of Community Psychology*, 2022 (with James Heckman, Fuyao Wang, and Bei Liu)
- “Learning Payoff: Developing rural China’s human capital will help reduce inequality,” 2022 (with James Heckman) (Media: China Daily)
- “Comparing China REACH and the Jamaica Home Visiting Program,” Accepted at *Pediatrics* (with James Heckman, Bei Liu, Mai Lu, Susan Chang, and Sally Grantham-McGregor)

Working papers

- “Human Capital and Migration: a Cautionary Tale,” Conditionally Accepted at *Journal of Econometrics* (with Salvador Navarro)
- “Interactions as Investments: the Microdynamics and Measurement of Early Childhood Learning,” Revised and Resubmitted at *Journal of Political Economy* (with James Heckman)
- “The Impacts of a Prototypical Home Visiting Program on Child Skills,” Revised and Resubmitted at *Journal of Labor Economics* (with James Heckman, Bei Liu, and Mai Lu) (NBER/IZA Working Paper)
- “Measuring Knowledge,” under review (with James Heckman) (NBER/IZA/BFI Working Paper)
- “Social Networks as Investment: Rural-Urban Migration in China,” under revision
- “Nonparametric Tests of Dynamic Complementarity,” Revised and Resubmitted at *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* (with James Heckman)

Work in Progress:

- “Modeling Choices in Multiple Price List Experiments,” (with James Heckman)
- “The Mechanism of Skill Formation with Multiple Skill Evolution,” (with James Heckman)
- “The Mechanism of Long Term Effects: Learning from China REACH Follow-up”

Conference and Workshop Presentations

- 2023** American Economics Association; Hong Kong University; City University of Hong Kong; Cowles conference labor and public economics; Econometric Society North American Summer meeting
- 2022** Econometric Society North American Summer meeting; Asian meeting; American Economics Association; City University of Hong Kong; University of Chicago (Demography); University of Chicago (Rohit and Harvanit Kumar Conference on Early Childhood Development: Economic Theory and Data); John Hopkins University
- 2021** Dynamic Structural Econometrics conference; North American Summer Meetings of the Econometric Society; Econometric Society China Meeting
- 2020** Econometric Society World Conference; American Economics Association
- 2019** Journal of Political Economy Special Edition on the Economics of Child Development; Asian Summer Meetings of the Econometric Society; China Summer Meetings of the Econometric Society; Conference on Home Visiting in Comparative Perspective

Journal Referee

Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Political Economy: Microeconomics, International Economics Review, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Applied Econometrics, Economic Inquiry, Journal of Human Capital, Labour Economics, Canadian Journal of Economics

Programming Skills

Fortran, Stata, Python, Matlab, R