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EMPLOYMENT

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Assistant Professor, Division of Social Science, 2020 — Present

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Economics, Duke University, 2020.

M.A. Economics, Renmin University of China, 2014.

B.A. Economics, Shandong University, 2011.

PUBLICATIONS

1. “The Enduring Effects of China’s Payments for Ecosystem Services: Short- and Long-term Industrial Transformations,” with Qi Pan, *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*, Elsevier, vol. 130(C).
2. “The Impact of Internet Sales Tax in a Search Model of Money: Some Analytical Results,” with Tiantian Dai, Shenyi Jiang, Xiangbo Liu, *Annals of Economics and Finance, Society for AEF*, Vol 17, Issue 1, 133-144.

WORKING PAPERS

1. “Lost Green Leaders: Is China’s Green Financial Regulations Efficient?” (with Qi Pan and Xiaoming Xie), Revise and Resubmit, International Journal of Industrial Organization
Southern Economic Association (SEA) Annual Conference, NAREA EJ Circle, HKUST brownbag
2. “Fired Up or Burned Down: Wildfires and VC Investment” (with Joy Tianjiao Tong and Zhengchu Zhang), under review
2023 Canadian Economics Association (CEA) Annual Conference, Western Economic Association (WEAI) Annual Conference
3. “Costly Price Adjustment and Automated Pricing: The Case of Airbnb” (with Qi Pan), under review

Academy of Marketing Science Annual Conference-World Marketing Congress, INFORMS Marketing Science Annual Meeting

4. “Displacement and the Consequences of Gentrification”(with Christopher Timmins), under review

CU Environmental and Resource Economics Workshop, Camp Resources XXVI, Urban Economic Association (UEA) Annual Conference, 2021 Western Economic Association (WEAI) Annual Conference, Southern Economic Association (SEA) Annual Conference, ASSA Annual Conference

5. “Crops, Insects, and Diseases: Unintended Consequences of Environmental Policies on Ecosystem and Human Health”, (with Congyuan Cui, Zhengwen Liu, Yun Qiu, Nan Xiao), under review

PKU IGHD & SOE, DKU Environmental Economics Workshop, Asian Economic Development Conference 2025, 8th International Conference of China and Development Studies

6. “The Recovery of Forest and its Impacts on Left-Behind Children in Western China” (with Christopher Timmins)

Western Economic Association (WEAI) Annual Conference, Southern Economic Association (SEA) Annual Conference, AARES Conference, NAREA Scholar Circle, AERE 2025 Summer Conference

7. “The Welfare Effects of Expanding Housing Supply through Subdivision” (with Jiayin Hu, Shangchen Li, and Yue Yu)

European UEA, the 3rd Annual Conference on Asia and the Global Economy

8. “Environmental Gentrification”

AERE Summer Conference, AREUEA National Conference, CU Environmental and Resource Economics Workshop, Camp Resources XXVI, Urban Economic Association (UEA) Annual Conference, Western Economic Association (WEAI) Annual Conference, Southern Economic Association (SEA) Annual Conference, ASSA Annual Conference

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

“Crafting the Soundscape of the Future: Economic Impacts of Traffic Road Noise”, (with Yatang Lin, Cong Peng)

“High-speed Rail and Migration in China” (with Yatang Lin and Lin Yang)

“Declining Public Transit Ridership”(with Christopher Severen)

GRANT and AWARD

“Crafting the Soundscape of the Future: Economic Impacts of Traffic Road Noise”, *General Research Fund (GRF)*, July 2024, HKD \$250,000

“Fired Up or Burned Down: Wildfires and VC Investment”, (with Tianjiao TONG), *Junior Faculty Fellowship*, Dec 2022, CAN \$25,000

Duke Support for Interdisciplinary Graduate Networks (D-SIGN) grant, Duke University, 2019

Environmental Economics Doctoral Scholars (DEEDS), Duke University, 2015-2016

SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

2025: ASSA 2025 Annual Meeting, AERE 2025 Winter Conference, DKU Environmental Economics Workshop, European UEA Conference, the 3rd Annual Conference on Asia and the Global Economy, AERE 2025 Summer Conference

2024: AERE Summer Conference, AREUEA National Conference, NBER SI Environment & Energy Economics, NAREA EJ Scholars' Circle

2023: ASSA 2023 Annual Meeting; WEAI Virtual 98th Annual Conference; NAREA EJ Scholars' Circle; Brownbag Seminar in the Center for Economic Policy; Second JEEM Conference in Environmental and Resource Economics, IESR Workshop on Environmental and Resource Economics, 2023 Jinan-SMU Conference on Urban and Regional Economics

2022: AARES 2022 Conference, Online, Australia; NAREA Scholar Circle, Online; Occasional Workshop in Environmental and Resource Economics; WEAI Virtual 97th Annual Conference; Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society in China 2022; Southern Economic Association 92nd Annual Meeting; 8th Annual Conference on Environmental Politics & Governance (EPG)

2021: WEAI Virtual 96th Annual Conference; Southern Economic Association 91st Annual Meeting, Houston, TX; DEAR Research Affiliate Lunchtime Brownbag Seminar

2020: UEA 2020 Lectures on Urban Economics; Department of Real Estate and Urban Land Economics, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI; Department of Economics, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX; Department of Economics, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA; ASSA Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA

JOURNALS REFEREED

Journal of Association of Environmental and Resource Economics, China Economic Review, Journal of Urban Economics, International Journal of Industrial Organization, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management