

EDUCATION

PhD Candidate in Economics - University of Illinois at Chicago 2014-2019 (expected)

- Thesis: Developed econometrics models of the impacts of stimulus package on firm behaviors.

Master of Economics - University of Illinois at Chicago 2012-2014

- Training: Micro, Macro, and Metrics sequences. Specialized in Applied Econometrics and Data Analysis.

Bachelor of Economics - Wuhan University Wuhan, China, 2002-2006

- Thesis: Agricultural Property Rights and Transaction Costs in China. (2nd Best Thesis Award of Econ Depart.)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Research Analyst - World Bank Washington D.C., Feb 2017-Present

- Performed econometrics research on “Tax Capacity and Tax Effort” for 178 countries using the broadest worldwide data in collaboration with IMF Fiscal Affairs Department.
- Conducted quantitative analysis for Brazil Flagship Report—the first third-party economics report on Brazilian economic growth and productivity analysis.
- Analyzed geospatial data on economic growth for Angola—the first Angolan geospatial data econometrics research on agriculture, transportation, terrain, and climate change, etc.
- Researched economic indicators for São Tomé and Príncipe promoting the largest to date lending (\$60 million) for this country, equivalent to almost 1/6 of the country’s total GDP.
- Analyzed data and wrote reports for Central Africa Republic Macro Poverty Outlook—the first macroeconomics evaluation after the most recent civil war.

Researcher and Program Director - Transition Institute Beijing, China, 2008-2012

- Established as one of the top experts on China’s taxi industry.
- Interviewed by more than 100 Chinese and international media outlets including Reuters and Financial Times.
- Provided quantitative consulting service helping the client become one of the largest limousine dispatch companies in China after raising \$800 million venture capital and private equity.
- Led a research team of 7, investigating more than one thousand individuals from twenty-three provinces and produced eleven reports on promoting deregulation reform in taxi industry.
- Provided data consulting services and helped taxi owners retrieve \$30 million from lawsuits.

Analyst - Tianjin House Fund Management Center Tianjin, China, 2006-2008

- Performed statistical analysis on maintaining a stable real estate market for \$700 million House Fund.
- Designed and directed training program for 200 new employees, creating the first training system for the center.

RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Selected Published Reviews

- Cut Costs; Do Not Raise Fees, China Daily, China, August 2011.
- China’s Real Estate Market: Pulling the Rug out From Under the Citizenry, Probe International, Canada, 2011.
- Current Situation, Contradiction, & Future of Rural Cooperative Medical System, Transition Institute, 2011.

Professional Activities

- Panelist, Ronald Coase Institute workshop on institutional analysis, Shanghai, China, December 2010.
- Keynote Speaker, Asia Youth Enterprise Forum, Jakarta, Indonesia, Oct 2010 (China’s Economy and Politics).
- Visiting Scholar, Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Liberty, Cologne, Germany, September 2009.

Service to Profession

- Consultant Expert, Gerson Lehrman Group, New York City, 2012-present.
- Paper Referee, “International Tax and Public Finance” and “SAGE Open”, 2012-present.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Liberating Asian Enterprise Research Grant Award (only individual recipient), Atlas Network, 2014.
- Mitch Krask Scholarship for Academic Excellence, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2013.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- **Computer Skills:** Proficient in STATA and MS Office; Experience with Matlab, R, and ArcMAP.