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## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Yale University Department of Economics, Assistant Professor	2009-
Harvard University Department of Economics, Visiting Scholar	2007-2009
Brown University Department of Economics, Assistant Professor	2005-2009
Brown University Populations Studies and Training Center, Faculty Affiliate	2005-2009

## EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Ph.D. Economics	2000-2005
Dissertation: <i>Three Essays on Development Economics in China</i>	
University of Texas at Austin, Plan I Honors Program, B.A. with High Honors	1996-2000
Economics, Government, Mathematics, Japanese	

## TEACHING

### GRADUATE

Development Economics, Brown University	2006-2009
Empirical Methods, Brown University	2007-2009
Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Population, Brown University	2005-2007

### UNDERGRADUATE

Population Economics, Yale University	2010 Spring
Population Economic, Brown University	2006-2007
Development Economics, Brown University	2006
Development Economics, MIT (Teaching Assistant)	2004-2005
Econometrics, MIT (Teaching Assistant)	2005
Principles of Micro Economics, UT Austin (Supplemental Instructor)	1998-2000
Principles of Macro Economics, UT Austin (Supplemental Instructor)	1998-2000

### OTHER

Impact Evaluation, World Bank	2009 July
Impact Evaluation, Global Development Network	2007 January
Empirical Methods (with Joshua Angrist)	2006 Summer
Empirical Methods, Ford Foundation Training for Chinese Female Applied Micro Economists at CCER Peking University	2005-2008

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Development Economics, Labor Economics, Political Economy

## **PUBLICATIONS**

“Missing Women and the Price of Tea in China: The Effect of Sex-Specific Income on Sex Imbalance,” *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 123(3), August 2008.

“The Strategic Determinants of U.S. Human Rights Reporting: Evidence from the Cold War” (with David Yanagizawa) *Journal of European Economic Association Papers and Proceedings*, 2008.

“Income Inequality and Progressive Income Taxation in China and India, 1986-2010” (with Thomas Piketty) *American Economic Journal – Applied Economics* Vol. 1 No. 2, April 2009.

## **WORKING PAPERS**

“The Impact of Potatoes on Old World Population and Urbanization” (with Nathan Nunn) (2009) NBER Working Paper w15157. Revise and Resubmit at the *Quarterly Journal of Economics*.

“Watchdog or Lapdog? Media and the U.S. Government” (with David Yanagizawa) (2009)

“The Institutional Causes of China’s Great Famine in 1959” (with Xin Meng and Pierre Yared) (2009)

“The Columbian Exchange: a Historical Change in Food, Disease and Ideas” (2009) (with Nathan Nunn) *In Preparation for the Journal of Economic Perspectives*

“On the Road: Transportation Infrastructure and Economic Growth in China” (with Abhijit Banerjee and Esther Duflo) (2009)

“The Effect of Democratic Accountability on Inequality and Growth: Evidence from Rural Electoral Reforms in China” (with Monica Martinez-Bravo, Gerard Padró-i-Miquel and Yang Yao) (2009)

“Quantity-Quality and the One Child Policy: The Positive Effect of Family Size on School Enrollment in China” (2009) NBER Working Paper w14973.

“The Long Run Impact of Exposure to Famine on Survivors: Evidence from China’s Great Famine” (with Xin Meng) (2009) NBER Working Paper w14917.

“More Missing Women, Fewer Dying Girls: The Impact of Abortion on Sex Ratios at Birth and Excess Female Mortality in Taiwan” (with Ming-Jen Lin and Jin-Tan Liu) (2009) NBER Working Paper w14541.

## **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

“Unbundling Property Rights: Urban Housing Privatization and Labor Mobility in China” (with Lakshmi Iyer and Xin Meng)

“The Impact of Donor Based Food Aid on Infant and Child Mortality” (with Nathan Nunn)

“The Effect of Food on Conflict in Europe 1400-1900: Evidence from a historical natural experiment” (with Murat Iygun and Nathan Nunn)

“The Effect of Fertility on Savings in China” (with Abhijit Banerjee and Xin Meng)

“The Evolution of Private Firm Growth in China 1998-2005” (with Abhijit Banerjee and Yasheng Huang)

“Let There be Light” (with Nathan Nunn)

“Testing Tilly” (with Murat Iygun and Nathan Nunn)

“The Rise of China and its Effects on Sub-Saharan African Economic and Institutional Development: Evidence from African Oil Exporters” (with Erik Meyersson and Gerard Padro-i-Miquel)

### **FIELD EXPERIMENTS**

“The Effect of Access to Bank Loans on Firm Growth in Chinese Cities: Evidence from a Randomized Experiment”

### **BOOK CHAPTERS**

“Missing Women and the Price of Tea in China: The Effect of Sex-Specific Earnings on Sex Imbalance,” *China Labor Economics Vol. 3*, Beijing: China Academy of Social Sciences Press, 2007, pp. 3-28. (Chinese)

### **REFEREE**

*American Economic Review, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Review of Economic Studies, Review of Economic and Statistics, Economic Journal, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of European Economics Association, Journal of Human Resources, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Demography, European Journal of Population, Journal of Business Economics, National Science Foundation Research Grants*

### **INVITED SEMINARS**

2009-10: Yale University, New York University, London School of Economics, Stanford University History Seminar, Stanford University Development Seminar, University of California at Berkeley Development Seminar, University of California Los Angeles Applied Micro Seminar, Toronto University, Warwick University

2008-09: MIT/Harvard Development/Labor Seminar, Princeton University Labor Seminar, Harvard University Labor/History Seminar, University of Chicago Graduate School of Business Applied Micro Seminar, Brown University Macro and Growth Seminar, Stockholm University IIES, University of Colorado at Boulder, University College of London, Warwick University, Paris New School, University of Toulouse, University of Pompeu Fabra, McGill University, Ohio State University

2007-08: Harvard University Labor Seminar, Columbia University Applied Micro Seminar, University of Michigan Ann Arbor Department of Economics, University of British Columbia, University of Connecticut, The World Bank Research Group (DC), National Taiwan University, Peking University CCER

2006-07: Princeton University Development Seminar, Harvard-MIT Labor-Development Seminar, London School of Economics-University College of London Development Seminar, University of Maryland Department of Agricultural Economics, University of Maryland Department of Economics, Rice University – University of Houston Applied Micro Economics Seminar, Oxford University, Università Bocconi, Stockholm IIES, The Federal Reserve at San Francisco, The National University of Singapore

2005-06: University of California at Berkeley Seminar for Comparative Politics, The World Bank (Beijing), National University of Singapore, The University of Melbourne, CCER at Peking University, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Fudan University;

2004-05: Brown University, Princeton University, University of Chicago, University of Chicago Graduate School of Business, Harvard Business School, University of Maryland, Boston University, London School of Economics, Australia National University, Peking University, Fudan University, CCER at Peking University

### **INVITED CONFERENCES**

2009-10: NBER China, NBER Africa, NBER Summer Institute Political Economy; 2008-09: NBER China, NEUDC, BREAD, China Summer Institute; 2007-08: NBER, ASSA Winter Meetings, BREAD-CIPREE, BREAD, SOLE, World Bank's Microeconomics of Growth Network, China summer Institute; 2006-07: NBER, CEPR-DE, ASSA Winter Meetings; 2005-2006: NBER, NEUDC, Development Economics (Duke University), “China and the World” UC Berkeley-World Bank-Tsinghua, Econometrics Society (North America); 2004-05: BREAD, “Poverty, Inequality, Labour Market and Welfare Reform in China” World Bank-ANU-RSSS-RSPAS; 2003-2004: Social Science Research Network, MacArthur Network for Inequality; 2002-2003: Social Science Research Network, Harvard East Asia Conference

### **AWARDS**

NSF Economics and Political Science Programs (Village Democracy in China)	2009-2012
NBER Africa Project	2008-2010
Brown University Watson Institute Rhodes Fellowship	2008 Summer
Harvard Academy Scholars Post-doctoral Fellowship	2007-2009
Social Science Research Council Fellowship for Development and Risk	2002-2003
MIT George P. Schultz Fund	2002-2005
National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship	2000-2003
National Merit Scholar	1996-2000

### **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

BREAD, NBER, CEPR, AEA, Econometrics Society, SOLE

### **ADVISING**

Adrienne Lucas (2006), Yoo-mi Chin (2007), Isaac Mbiti (2006), Taiwo Olumide (2007), Emilio Gutierrez (2009)

### **SERVICE**

Graduate Recruiting Committee, Brown University	2005-2007
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### **CONSULTING**

Global Development Network

2007-2010

The World Bank (Evaluation of the Impact of Access of Commercial Micro-and-Small Lending on Firms in China)

2007-2008

**MEDIA**

Voice of America, *Liberation* (Missing Women), *Wall Street Journal* (Potatoes), Time.com (Potatoes), Canada.com (Potatoes), VOXEU (U.S. Media Propaganda, Potatoes)