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### Academic Position

Assistant Professor, Creighton University, Department of Economics and Finance, 2022-

### Education

Ph.D. in Economics, University of Kentucky, 2022  
M.A. in Economics, Southwestern University of Finance and Economics (SWUFE), China, 2017  
B.A. in Economics, Chongqing Technology and Business University, China, 2014

### Research Fields

Applied Microeconomics, Health Economics, Labor Economics.

### Working Paper

1. Does Increasing the Generosity of Public Health Insurance Affect Medical Expenditures? Evidence from China's Critical Illness Insurance Program.
2. Maternal Education and Early Childhood Outcomes in China. (with Xiaozhou Ding)
3. High-Speed Rail Accessibility and Housing Prices: A Case Study of Jiangsu Province in China (with Shiyu Cheng). Under Review

### Work in Progress

1. Impact of Increasing Generosity of Public Health Insurance on Health: Evidence from China's Critical Illness Insurance Program.
2. Public School Mask Mandates and COVID-19 Spread: Evidence from Kentucky. (with Charles Courtemanche and Aaron Yelowitz)
3. State Syringe Services Programs and HIV/Hepatitis Prevalence. (with Anh Le)
4. Growth and Spillover Effects of Place-Based Policies on City Exports: Evidence from China's Cross-Border E-Commerce Comprehensive Pilot Zones (with Shiyu Cheng).
5. Does Early Life Health Insurance Coverage Increase Education Attainment in Rural China? (with Shiyu Cheng)

### Peer-Reviewed Publication

1. [Does Higher Education Improve Tax Morale?-Evidence based on the US and China Survey Data](#) (with Jianjun Li and Jian Huang), 2018. *Taxation and Economy*, Issue 1, Pages 94-102. (in Chinese)

### Research Experience

#### University of Kentucky-Research Assistant

Prof. Charles Courtemanche (Fall 2020-Spring 2022)  
-via Institute for the Study of Free Enterprise  
Prof. Olga Malkova (Summer 2020)

#### Southwestern University of Finance and Economics-Research Assistant

Prof. Jianjun Li (Fall 2014, Fall 2015)

**Applied Econometrics Summer School for Graduate Students** (August 2016, Shanghai, China)

## Teaching Experience

### Creighton University

ECO 203 Introductory Microeconomics (Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Fall 2023)  
ECO 513 Health Economics (Spring 2023)

### Dickinson College

ECON 112 Introduction to Macroeconomics (Adjunct Professor, Spring 2022)

### University of Kentucky

ECO 201 Principles of Microeconomics (Summer 2020 Online, Fall 2019, Summer 2018)  
ECO 202 Principles of Macroeconomics (Summer 2021 Online, Summer 2019)  
ECO 391 Business and Economics Statistics (Fall 2019)

### Tianfu College of Southwestern University of Finance and Economics

Cost Accounting (Adjunct instructor at Accounting Department, Spring 2017)

## Conference and Presentations

**2023:** Midwest Economics Association Annual Meetings (Cleveland, OH), Annual Conference of the American Society of Health Economists (St.Louis, MO), The School of Public Finance and Taxation at SWUFE (Chengdu, China), Missouri Valley Economic Association Annual Conference (Kansas City, MO)

**2022:** Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings (Fort Lauderdale, FL), Midwest Economics Association Annual Meetings (Minneapolis, MN)

**2021:** Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings (Houston, TX), Western Economics Association International Annual Conference (Virtual), Annual Conference of the American Society of Health Economists (Virtual)

### 2020

Kentucky Economic Association Annual Conference (Virtual), Chinese Economist Society North America Conference (Virtual)

### 2019

Kentucky Economic Association Annual Conference (University of Louisville, KY), Chinese Economist Society North America Conference (University of Kansas, KS)

## Awards and Fellowships

Institute for the Study of Free Enterprise Scholarship, University of Kentucky (2020, 2021)

Luckett Fellowship, University of Kentucky (2019)

Gatton Doctoral Fellowship, University of Kentucky (2018, 2019)

Max Steckler Fellowship, University of Kentucky (2017)

Outstanding Paper in the Annual Graduate Forum, SWUFE (2015)

China National Scholarship, SWUFE (2015)

## Referee

Economics and Human Biology

## Technical Skills

Stata, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, R, ArcGIS, JMP, Eviews

## Languages

English (fluent), Chinese Mandarin (native)

*Last updated on Sep, 2023*