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ACADEMIC POSITION

Assistant Professor of Public Affairs and Economics, University of Wisconsin–Madison
July 2009 – present

Assistant Professor, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh
September 2008 – April 2009

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, University of Michigan, 2008
Dissertation: Essays on Patterns of International Trade
Committee Members: Alan Deardorff (Chair), Robert Stern, Jagadeesh Sivadasan, Juan Carlos Hallak (Universidad de San Andrés)

M.A., Economics, University of Michigan, 2003

M.S., Public Policy, University of Rochester, 1998

LL.B. (Bachelor of Laws), University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan, 1994

FIELDS OF SPECIALIZATION

Primary Research Field: International Trade, International Labor and Capital Migration
Other Areas of Interest: Development Economics, Applied Microeconomics,
International Macroeconomics/Finance,

WORKING PAPERS

“Comparative Advantage, Firm Heterogeneity, and Selection of Exporters,” 2010, La Follette School Working Paper No. 2010-005 (also as: Forum for Research on Empirical International Trade Working Paper No. 310)

“Explaining Export Varieties: the Role of Comparative Advantage,” 2010, La Follette School Working Paper No. 2010-012 (also as: Forum for Research on Empirical International Trade Working Paper No. 192)

“Revisiting the Revisited: An Alternative Test of the Monopolistic Competition Model of International Trade,” 2010, La Follette School Working Paper No. 2010-007 (also as: Forum for Research on Empirical International Trade Working Paper No. 309)

RESEARCH WORK IN PROGRESS

“A Consideration of Patterns of Intra-industry Trade: Does the Conventional Model Explain Why Countries Both Import and Export More/Less in the Same Industry?”

“Industrialization, Growth, and Globalization: Have New Patterns Emerged?”

OTHER ARTICLES

“The Great East Japan Earthquake: A View on Its Implication for Japan’s Economy,” *La Follette Policy Report* Vol. 21(1), Robert M. La Follette School of Public Affairs, University of Wisconsin–Madison, Fall 2011

“Comments on Ito and Tanaka, ‘Does Material and Service Offshoring Improve Domestic Productivity?’” in Stern, Robert M. (Ed.), *Quantitative Analysis of Newly Evolving Patterns of International Trade: Fragmentation, Offshoring of Activities, and Vertical Intra-Industry Trade*, World Scientific, New Jersey, in press (to be published in May 2012)

TEACHING

PA 856: Trade, Competition, and Governance in a Global Economy (Graduate Course), University of Wisconsin–Madison, Spring 2010, Spring 2011, and Spring 2012

PA 873: Introduction to International Policy Analysis (Graduate Course), University of Wisconsin–Madison, Spring 2011 and Spring 2012

PA 880: Microeconomic Policy Analysis (Graduate Course), University of Wisconsin–Madison, Fall 2009, Fall 2010, and Fall 2011

ECON 464: International Trade and Finance (Undergraduate Course), University of Wisconsin–Madison, Fall 2009, Fall 2010, and Fall 2011

PIA 2319: International Trade (Graduate Course), University of Pittsburgh, Spring 2009

PIA 2302: International Financial Policy (Graduate Course), University of Pittsburgh, Spring 2009

PIA 2008: Economics for Public Affairs (Graduate Course), University of Pittsburgh, Fall 2008

ECON 101: Principles of Microeconomics (Undergraduate Course), University of Michigan, 2001–2004

PRESENTATIONS AT CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

2012: *Seminar*: University of Wisconsin–Madison (Department of Economics; *scheduled*)

2011: *Invited Seminars*: Keio University, Temple University

2010: *Invited Seminars*: West Virginia University; Kansai University; Kyoto University; Ritsumeikan University; Research Institute of Economy, Trade and Industry (RIETI)

Other Seminars: University of Wisconsin–Madison (Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics)

Conferences: Midwest International Economics Group Fall Meeting (Madison, WI)

2009: *Invited Seminars*: University of Pittsburgh (Department of Economics); University of Wisconsin–Madison

Conferences: Midwest International Economics Group Fall Meeting (University Park, PA)

2008: *Invited Seminars*: Clark University; Ryerson University; Syracuse University; University of Pittsburgh (Graduate School of Public and International Affairs); Bank of Japan Institute for Monetary and Economic Studies

Conferences: Empirical Investigation in Trade and Investment Conference (Tokyo, Japan); Japanese Economic Association Semiannual Meeting (Sendai, Japan)

2007: *Invited Seminars*: Nagoya University

Other Seminars: University of Michigan (International Economics Seminar)

Conferences: Leverhulme Centre for Research on Globalisation and Economic Policy Postgraduate Conference (Nottingham, U.K.); Japanese Economic Association Semiannual Meeting (Osaka, Japan)

- 2006: *Invited Seminars*: Hitotsubashi University; Kansai University; Keio University; Kobe University; Yokohama National University
Other Seminars: University of Michigan (International Economics Seminar)
Conferences: Midwest International Economics Group Fall Meeting (West Lafayette, IN); Midwest Economics Association Annual Meeting (Chicago, IL); Japanese Economic Association Semiannual Meeting (Fukushima, Japan)
- 2005: *Seminars*: University of Michigan (International Economics Seminar, Applied Microeconomics Workshop)
Conferences: Southwestern Economics Association Annual Meeting (New Orleans, LA)
- 2004: *Seminars*: University of Michigan (Applied Economics Workshop)

DISCUSSIONS AT CONFERENCES

- 2010: American Economic Association Annual Meeting (Atlanta, GA), Japanese Economic Association Semiannual Meeting (Chiba, Japan)
- 2009: Quantitative Analysis of Newly Evolving Patterns of Japanese and U.S. International Trade Conference (Ann Arbor, MI)
- 2005: Southwestern Economics Association Annual Meeting (New Orleans, LA)

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS AND AWARDS

- Graduate School Faculty Research Competition Award, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2011
 Individual Faculty Research Award, Center for World Affairs and the Global Economy (WAGE), University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2010
 Faculty Research Grant Competition Award, European Union Center of Excellence, University of Pittsburgh, 2010 (declined)
 Research-in-Japan Grant, Asian Studies Center, University of Pittsburgh, 2009 (declined)
 Sasakawa Fellowship, Department of Economics, University of Michigan, 2006–2008
 Briefing Fellowship, Center for Japanese Studies, University of Michigan, 2007
 Mellon Foundation Fellowship, Center for Japanese Studies, University of Michigan, 2006 and 2008
 Summer Research Grant, Department of Economics, University of Michigan, 2002 and 2003
 Henry Carter Adams Scholarship, Department of Economics, University of Michigan, 2001
 Michigan Teaching Fellow, University of Michigan, 2006
 Graduate Student Teaching Mentor, Department of Economics, University of Michigan, 2005–2006
 Public Policy Analysis Graduate Thesis Hall of Fame Award, University of Rochester, May 1998

PAST PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC), October 1999 – June 2001:

- Researcher & Managing Officer, Research Institute for Development and Finance, April–June 2001
 Research Officer, Research Institute for Development and Finance, June 2000–March 2001
- Planned, organized, and coordinated the Institute’s research projects, symposiums, and budgets.
- Country Project Officer, Development Assistance Department II, October 1999–May 2000
- Planned, appraised, and supervised development projects in Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia.

Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund of Japan (OECF), April 1994 – September 1999:

- Country Project Officer, Operations Department I, June 1998–September 1999
- Designed, appraised, and supervised development projects in Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia.
- Overseas Trainee in Economics, Policy and Management, September 1996–May 1998
 Planning Officer, Planning Division, Coordination Department, April 1994–August 1996
- Planned and coordinated the Fund’s general operational policies.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Visiting Scholar, Research Institute of Economy, Trade and Industry (RIETI), June–July 2010 and June–August 2011

Visiting Scholar, Faculty of Business Administration, Yokohama National University, June–July 2006

FACULTY AFFILIATIONS

Center for East Asian Studies, University of Wisconsin–Madison

Center for Southeast Asian Studies, University of Wisconsin–Madison

Global Studies, University of Wisconsin–Madison

Asian Studies Center, University of Pittsburgh (September 2008–April 2009)

PEER REVIEW REFEREE WORK

International Economic Journal

Journal of Asian Economics

PH.D. STUDENTS ADVISED (and their first placement)

John Morrow, Agricultural and Applied Economics (Kent State University)

David Rivers, Economics (University of Western Ontario)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Economic Association

Midwest Economics Association

Southwestern Economics Association

Japanese Economic Association (Nippon Keizai Gakkai)