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Experience - Professional

- **Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration (Washington, D.C.)**
International Economist, Office of Trade & Economic Analysis, August 2010-Present

Serves as an International Economist in the Office of Trade and Economic Analysis (OTEA). OTEA provides industry and policy decision-makers with analysis on the impacts of economic and regulatory policies on U.S. manufacturing and services industries. OTEA performs in-depth economic analysis on the effects of both domestic and foreign policy developments on U.S. business competitiveness. As member of OTEA, I have conducted research on a variety of topics including exports of travel and tourism services, export promotion, implications of public policy on trade. Participated as economic expert in the interagency analysis in “Open Skies” dispute and Chinese Semiconductor policy.

Experience - Academic

- **University of Maryland, College Park**
Lecturer, Department of Economics, 2012-Present

Courses taught:

- Microeconomic Theory
- Empirical Analysis: Introduction to Economic Models
- Theory of International Economics
- Intermediate Macroeconomic Analysis

- **George Mason University**
Adjunct Professor, School of Public Policy, 2014-2015

Courses taught:

- Empirical Analysis: Introduction to Economic Models

- **University of California, Santa Cruz**
Various Teaching Roles, Department of Economics, 2005-2010

Courses taught:

- Introductory Microeconomics

Research Interests

International Trade (with special focus on trade in services), Economics of Technical Standards and Government Regulations, Labor Economics and Applied Micro Econometrics

Publications

- “Theory and Empirical Evidence Linking International Trade to Unemployment Rates.” *Journal of International Commerce and Economics*. (with David Riker) Published electronically May 2015.
- "Destination Choices of Individual International Travelers." (with David Riker) *Tourism Economics* 19.5 (2013): 1099-1106.
- "Modeling the International Tourism Expenditures of Individual Travelers." (with David Riker) *Journal of Travel Research* 52.2 (2013): 202-211.
- "Face-to-Face Exports The Role of Business Travel in Trade Promotion." (with David Riker) *Journal of Travel Research* 51.5 (2012): 632-639.
- "The Effect of Changes in World Crude Oil Prices on US Automobile Exports." (with Stefan Osborne) *International Journal of Energy Economics and Policy* 2.3 (2012): 147-158.
- “The Determinants of Outsourcing. The Evidence from the US Manufacturing Industries 1972-2002”, *Explorations, UC Davis Annual Undergraduate Research Journal*, 200

Working Papers

- “Quantifying AVEs for Services NTMs using Fixed Effects Gravity Approach” (with Yingying Xu)
- “Globalization and Inequality in Innovation: A Perspective from U.S. R&D Tax Credit Policy” (with Susan Xu and Wendy Li, BEA)
- “Impacts of Political Connections on Firms’ Mergers & Acquisition Decisions: Evidence from China (with Yingying Xu) – *submitted for publication in The World Economy*
- “The Impact of U.S. R&D Expenditures on U.S. Exports: Does R&D Tax Credit Policy Matter?” (with Susan Xu and Wendy Li, BEA)
- “Agglomeration and U.S. Exporter Performance: Evidence from SBA Accelerator Clusters” (with Alan Spearot, UCSC)

- “Economic Benefits of the U.S. Visa Waiver Program: Implications for Eastern European “Road Map” Countries”
- “Measuring Non-Tariff Barriers for International Trade in Services”
- “International Leisure Travelers to the United States: Implications of Services Exports Policy on the Travel Industry” (with Julian Richards)
- "Lost" Travelers and the U.S. Visa Waiver Program: An International Panel Smooth Transition Approach
- “Exports in Education Services: Role of Financial Aid in Selecting U.S. Four-Year Colleges”
- “The Extensive Margin in the Industry Trade: Estimation, Significance and Implications”
- “The Robustness of the Extensive Margin in the Symmetric Helpman, Melitz and Rubenstein (HMR) Model”, *FREIT Working Paper #59*
- “The Impact of Insurance Status on Child Birth among Teenagers: Evidence from Regression Discontinuity Design

Honors and Awards

- Silver Medal Organization Award, Department of Commerce
 - Teaching Fellowship, University of California at Santa Cruz
 - Merit-based Tuition Fellowships, University of California at Santa Cruz
 - Department citation for outstanding undergraduate accomplishment in Economics, Department of Economics, University of California, Davis, CA
 - Certificate for outstanding academic achievement in the presentation of the scholarly research at the Undergraduate Research Conference, University of California, Davis, CA
 - Deans' Honors List, University of California, Davis, CA
 - Honors Program in Economics, University of California, Davis, CA
 - The Tutor of the Month Certificate, De Anza College, Cupertino, CA
- 1/2010 – 3/2010
2005 – 2010
5/2005
4/2005
12/ 2004
3/2004 – 12/2004
5/2002

Conference Participation

Presentations:

- AEA/ASSA Annual Meetings Conference, Atlanta, 1/2019 (canceled due to funding)
- Society of Government Economist Annual Conference, Washington DC, 4/2018
- AEA/ASSA Annual Meetings Conference, Philadelphia, 1/2018
- 91th Annual Western Economic Association Conference, San Diego, 6/2017
- Midwest Economic Theory and International Trade Conference, University of Kentucky, Lexington, 5/2017
- Society of Government Economist Annual Conference, Washington DC, 5/2017
- AEA/ASSA Annual Meetings Conference, Chicago, 1/2017
- 91th Annual Western Economic Association Conference, Portland, 6/2016
- 90th Annual Western Economic Association Conference, Hawaii, 6/2015
- 89th Annual Western Economic Association Conference, Denver, 6/2014
- 88th Annual Western Economic Association Conference, Seattle, 6/2013
- 87th Annual Western Economic Association Conference, San Francisco, 6/2012
- FIW Research Conference on International Economics, Vienna University of Business Administration, Vienna, Austria (cancelled), 12/ 2009
- Fall Midwest International Trade Meetings, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, 10/2009
- APEA Conference, University of California, Santa Cruz, 6/2009
- SCIE PhD Conference, University of California, Santa Cruz, 5/2009
- Spring Midwest International Trade Meetings, University of Iowa, Iowa City, 4/2009

Invited Discussant:

- Conference on Empirical Investigations in International Trade, Purdue University, 11/2009
- APEA Conference, University of California, Santa Cruz, 6/2009

Education

- Ph.D. (Economics), University of California, Santa Cruz, 2010
- M.A. (International Economics), University of California, Santa Cruz, 2007
- B.A. (Economics, with honors) and B.S. (Computer Science), University of California, Davis, 2005

Special Skills

- Professional knowledge of STATA™ and SAS™
- Working knowledge of MATLAB™ and E-Views™

- Five years of programming experience in C++ and Java

Professional Activities

Journal Referee: Journal of International Economics, Economics Bulletin

Memberships: American Economic Association
Forum for Research in Empirical International Trade (FREIT)
Santa Cruz Institute for International Economics