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Employment

Mar. 2026-present Assistant Professor, Department of Accounting, School of Management, Jinan University

Aug. 2022-Mar. 2026 Assistant Professor, Institute of Special Economic Zones, Hong Kong and Macao Economy, School of Economics, Jinan University

Education

Sep. 2017-Jun. 2022 Ph.D. in Economics, National School of Development, Peking University

Dec. 2019-Apr. 2020 Visiting Scholar, Department of Economics, University of Toronto

Sep. 2013-Jun. 2017 B.A. in Economics, minor in Finance, Research Institute of Economics and Management, Southwestern University of Finance and Economics

Research Fields

Formation, development, evolution, and impacts of overseas Chinese networks

Geoeconomics and the overseas expansion of Chinese firms

Industrial policy and future industries

Publications

Lead Investor Effects, Public-Private Synergy, and Hierarchical Governance: How Government Venture Capital Drives Substantive Innovation. With Yibo Zuo, Luze Xie, and Zhihang Zhou. Journal of Technology Transfer, 2026. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10961-026-10370-7

Familiar Strangers: The Role of Diaspora Networks in Foreign Investment and Long-run Development. First author; with Ruichi Xiong and Xiaobo Zhang. Journal of International Economics, 2026, 162, 104293.

Spatial Distribution and Development Patterns of Overseas Chinese Business Assets: Evidence from ORBIS Global Enterprises. First author; with Zhanchi Wu, Zile Zhao, Wenxin Du, and Shengkai Zhou. Overseas Chinese History Studies, 2025(3). [in Chinese]

Urban Fragmentation and Innovation Collaboration: Evidence from China. Joint first author; with Ruichi Xiong and Shan Zhao. China Economic Review, 2025, 94, 102538.

The Economic Welfare Impacts of Transnational Clan Networks: Evidence from Transnational Clan Genealogies. First author; with Yibo Zuo and Denggao Long. China Economic Quarterly International, 2025, 5(1): 46-56.

The Economic Welfare Impacts of Overseas Chinese Clan Networks: Evidence from Overseas Chinese Genealogies. First author; with Yibo Zuo and Denggao Long. China Economic Quarterly, 2024(5). [in Chinese]

Military Service, Veterans' Policy, and Entrepreneurship. First and corresponding author; with Xiaobo Zhang. Research of Institutional Economics, 2024(2). [in Chinese]

Breaking the Boundaries of Urban Development: County-to-District Reform and Intra-urban Coordinated Development. First author; with Jingjing Ye. China Economic Quarterly, 2023(5). [in Chinese]

Note: Cover article.

Endowment-Congruent Technical Change: Technological Convertibility, Human Capital, and Structural Transformation. First author; with Zhongchen Fan. China Economic Quarterly, 2023(4). [in Chinese]

Note: Cover article; reprinted in Chinese Social Sciences Digest, 2023(12).

Bridging with Diaspora: Overseas Chinese-invested Enterprises and China's Export-oriented Development. First and corresponding author; with Ruichi Xiong. China Economics, 2022(1), inaugural issue. [in Chinese]

Note: Inaugural issue; selected as an Excellent Newly Founded Collective Journal by Social Sciences Academic Press in 2022.

Does Personal Income Tax Reduction Increase Labor Supply? Evidence from a Quasi-natural Experiment. With Jingjing Ye, Yan Wu, and Yuqing Wang. Management World, 2017(12). [in Chinese]

Working Papers

Exploring the Dynamics of Chinese Overseas Migration through Transnational Genealogical Lens. With Bin Xie and Yibo Zuo. Revise & Resubmit at Journal of Population Economics.

Note: Second Prize, Best Paper Award in Quantitative History Research, 2025.

Rerouted Supply Chains. With Yibo Zuo, Zhihang Zhou, and Wenjing Li.

Spatial Dynamics of Industrial Clusters. With Zhongchen Fan and Yibo Zuo.

Large Language Model-Driven Text Measurement: A Methodological Framework and Applications to China's Opening-Up Policy. With Yibo Zuo and Luze Xie. [in Chinese]

The Overseas Impetus of Modern China's State Transformation: A Quantitative Study of Sun Yat-sen's Political Mobilization of Overseas Chinese, 1894-1936. With Zhanchi Wu, Yuchen Xu, and Jiancheng He. [in Chinese]

Technological Remittance. With Shengkai Zhou, Baojian Xie, and Zhanchi Wu.

Note: First Prize, Outstanding Paper, Guangdong Social Sciences Academic Annual Conference, 2024.

Research in Progress

Input-Output Linkages and Industrial Development in China. With Loren Brandt and Gilles Duranton.

The Policy Odyssey of China's Opening Up. With Wenjing Li, Yibo Zuo, and Luze Xie.

Fast Supply Chains. With Han Gao.

The Capital City: The Role of Hong Kong in China's Two-way FDI Flows. With Jinlin Wei and Jiancheng He.

Maritime China. With Jiancheng He. [in Chinese]

Microfoundations of Supply Chain Security: Localization and External Policy Risk. With Wenjing Li and Yibo Zuo. [in Chinese]

Teaching Experience

School of Management, Jinan University **Undergraduate** - Corporate Finance

Undergraduate - Investments

Undergraduate - International Financial Management

University-wide elective - Introduction to Overseas Chinese Business Management

School of Economics, Jinan University **Ph.D.** - Macroeconomics

Undergraduate - International Investment

M.A. - Urban Economics

Ph.D. - Academic Norms and Thesis Writing

M.A. - Urban Economics and the Pearl River Delta Metropolitan Area

Invited Academic Activities

An asterisk indicates an individual seminar.

2026	**Sun Yat-sen University*; Jiangxi University of Finance and Economics*; Harbin Institute of Technology (Shenzhen)*; Annual Conference on Quantitative History; Shanghai University of Finance and Economics; Zhejiang University; Guangxi University (China-ASEAN Cooperation and Overseas Chinese Business Development Symposium).**
2025	University of International Business and Economics*; Central University of Finance and Economics*; Annual Conference on Quantitative History; Huaqiao University (Global Forum on Overseas Chinese Business Management; Markets, Institutions, and Economic Development).
2024	South China Normal University; Chinese University of Hong Kong; Shanghai University of Finance and Economics*; Jinan University (Academic Symposium on Cultivating New

Quality Productive Forces and Greater Bay Area Integration; Guangdong Federation of Social Sciences Annual Conference; Overseas Chinese Business Research and High-Quality Development Forum); University of Oxford (Chinese Economic History in Comparative Perspective); Tsinghua University (International Overseas Chinese Business Tsinghua Forum).

2023 Tsinghua University (NCER-CCER China Economic Seminar; International Overseas Chinese Business Tsinghua Forum); Jinan University (Winter Forum of Chinese Institutional Economics); Shantou University (Guangzhou Forum of Young Chinese Economists); Wuhan University*; Zhongnan University of Economics and Law*; Fuzhou University (Forum on Mutual Learning among World Maritime Civilizations); Minzu University of China (Cultural Economics Forum); Shanghai University of Finance and Economics*; South China University of Technology (Annual Conference of Chinese Economics); Shanghai Jiao Tong University (Annual Conference on Quantitative History); Beijing Normal University Bay Area International Business School*.

Professional Service and Media Impact

Member, 13th Committee of the Guangzhou Youth Federation.

Council member, Sixth Council of the Guangzhou United Front Theory Research Association.

Council member, Jinan University Association of Non-Party Intellectuals.

Provided academic consulting for the Overseas Chinese and Religious Affairs Committee of the Guangdong Provincial People's Congress, China National Nuclear Corporation, the United Front Work Department of the Hainan Provincial Party Committee, the Energy Development Research Institute of China Southern Power Grid, Shenzhen SDG Information Co., Ltd. (SDG Information, 000070.SZ), Guangdong Decro Film New Materials Co., Ltd. (Decro Film, 001378.SZ), Guangzhou Urban Planning and Design Survey Research Institute, Jinhua Federation of Returned Overseas Chinese, the Fujian Zhigong (Jimei) Open Economy Research Center, Huatai Securities Research Institute, and other organizations.

Research views have been featured by People's Daily, Nanfang Daily, 21st Century Business Herald, The Paper, Yangcheng Evening News, and other major media outlets.

Competitive Grants

Jun. 2026-present **China-US Trade War, Supply Chain Restructuring, and the Resilience of Guangdong Enterprises' Overseas Expansion.**

Guangdong Provincial Philosophy and Social Sciences Planning Project, 2026 General Commissioned Project, principal investigator; sub-project of the Major Commissioned Project 'Support System and Policy Research for Guangdong's High-Quality Overseas Expansion'.

Jan. 2025-present Overseas Chinese Business Networks, Industrial Upgrading, and Industrial Chain Resilience under the Dual Circulation Paradigm: Evidence from the Evolution of Foreign Investment Policy.

National Natural Science Foundation of China, Young Scientists Fund, RMB 300,000, principal investigator.

Nov. 2023-May 2026 Mechanisms through Which Overseas Chinese Networks Affect China's Industrial Development: A Surname-identity Perspective.

Guangdong Basic and Applied Basic Research Regional Joint Fund, Youth Project, RMB 100,000, completed, principal investigator.

Jan. 2024-present Estimating Global Overseas Chinese Business Assets and High-quality Integration into the New Development Pattern.

National Social Science Fund Major Project, participant.

Jan. 2024-present Spatial Resilience of Growth Pole Spillover Effects from a Micro Perspective: Mechanisms, Impacts, and Optimization.

National Natural Science Foundation of China, General Program, participant.

Jun. 2023-Dec. 2025 Building a Foundational Database for Overseas Chinese Studies.

Fundamental Research Funds for the Central Universities, RMB 50,000, principal investigator.

Referee Service

Anonymous referee for Journal of Environmental Economics and Management, Journal of Asian Economics, Small Business Economics, China Economic Review, Humanities and Social Sciences Communications, China & World Economy, International Studies of Economics, Economics of Transition and Institutional Change, Journal of Chinese Economic and Business Studies, China Economic Quarterly, The Journal of Quantitative & Technical Economics, and Finance & Trade Economics.

External reviewer for Ministry of Education degree thesis evaluations.

Honors and Awards

2025 Second Prize, Best Paper Award in Quantitative History Research

2024 First Prize, Outstanding Paper, Guangdong Social Sciences Academic Annual Conference

2021 Academic Rising Star Award, 21st Annual Conference of Chinese Economics

Skills

Research tools **Vertical AI workflow design and development for research, office, and finance & accounting scenarios**

Software	Python, MATLAB, Stata, LaTeX, SQL, ArcGIS
Certificate	Securities qualification certificate

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