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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Economics, The University of Mississippi, 2014 - present

## **EDUCATION**

- Ph.D., Economics, Texas A&M University, USA, August 2014
- M.S., Applied Economics with distinction, City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, November 2007
- B.S., Applied Mathematics, Southwestern University of Finance and Economics, China, July 2006

#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Public Economics, Economics of Crime, Health Economics, Labor Economics, Law and Economics

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- "Improving Police Services: Evidence from the French Quarter Task Force" (with Wei Long), *Journal of Public Economics*, 2018, 164: 1-18.
- "The Effect of Legalizing Retail Marijuana on Housing Values: Evidence from Colorado" (with Walt Mayer and Yanling Mayer), *Economic Inquiry*, 2018, 56(3): 1585-1601.
- "Greek Membership and Academic Performance: Evidence from Student-Level Data", *Applied Economics*, 2018, 50(29): 3185-3195.
- "Does Simplifying Divorce and Marriage Registration Matter? Evidence from China", *Applied Economics*, 2016, 48(17): 1560-1572.
- "Do Cell Phone Bans Change Driver Behavior?", Economic Inquiry, 2015, 53(3): 1420-1436.
- "Does Strengthening Self-Defense Law Deter Crime or Escalate Violence? Evidence from Expansions to Castle Doctrine" (with Mark Hoekstra), *Journal of Human Resources*, 2013, 48(3): 821-854.

## WORKING PAPERS

- "The Spillover Effects of Highly Publicized Police-Related Deaths on Policing and Crime: Evidence from Large U.S. Cities" (with Wei Long)
- "The Long-Run Effects of School Discipline on Schooling and Earnings: Evidence from School Corporal Punishment Bans"
- "When Should We Trust Weighted Least Squares Estimates?" (with Mark Hoekstra)

# WORK IN PROGRESS

- "The Disproportionate Impact of the Great Recession"
- "Assessing the Causal Link between Low Incomes and Domestic Violence: Evidence from Random Income Shocks" (with Mark Hoekstra)

# **PRESENTATIONS**

2017-2018

NBER Summer Institute (Crime), Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings, The University of Mississippi

2016-2017

American Economic Association Annual Meetings, NBER Summer Institute (Public Economics), Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings

2015-2016

Econometric Society China Meeting, American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association National Conference, University of Memphis

Before 2015

The University of Mississippi, University of North Carolina Charlotte, Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings, University of San Diego, Asian Real Estate Society Annual Conference

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

**Referee**, Contemporary Economic Policy, Eastern Economic Journal, Economic Inquiry, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Journal of Urban Economics, Social Science Journal, Southern Economic Journal

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

The University of Mississippi

Law and Economics (Fall 2017, Spring 2018)

Principles of Microeconomics (Fall 2014, Spring & Fall 2015, Winter, Spring, Summer & Fall 2016)

Causal Inference (graduate-level, Spring 2018)

Econometrics I (graduate-level, Fall 2015, Fall 2017)

Texas A&M University

Introduction to Economics: Microeconomics (Fall 2013, Spring 2014)

Introduction to Econometrics (Summer 2011, Fall 2010, Summer 2010)

# HONORS AND AWARDS

Summer Research Grant, College of Liberal Arts, The University of Mississippi, 2015-2016

Graduate Assistantship, Texas A&M University, 2008-2014

PERC Summer Research Fellowship, Texas A&M University, 2012

# SELECTED MEDIA COVERAGE

"Legal Cannabis Helps Homes to Hit a High", 8/7/2018, The Times

 $\hbox{``Legalizing Pot Sales Means...} Higher Home \ Values?", 7/17/2018, Forbes$ 

"Will Legal Marijuana Give Home Prices a New High?", 11/7/2016, Realtor.com/Yahoo

"Business Matters", 10/21/2016, BBC

"Will housing Prices Hit A New High if Weed is Legalized?", 9/30/2016, SFGate

"Stand Your Ground Makes No Sense", 5/4/2015, New York Times

"Cellphone Bans May Not Prevent Accidents", 3/26/2014, Economix Blog, New York Times

"When You Can Kill In Texas", 6/13/2013, TIME

"Protect-the-Castle Laws and Homicide", 6/12/2012, Ideas Market Blog, Wall Street Journal

"Study Finds 'Stand Your Ground' Laws Increase Murder Rates", 6/12/2012, Houston Chronicle "Study Says 'Stand Your Ground' Laws Increase Homicides", 6/11/2012, Law Blog, Wall Street Journal "Report: 'Stand Your Ground' Laws Lead to Increase in Homicide", 6/11/2012, Chicago Tribune

# LANGUAGE

Mandarin (native), English (fluent)

# **CITIZENSHIP**

China