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EDUCATION

Virginia Tech, U.S. Ph.D. Candidate, Economics	<i>2016 - 2021 (Expected)</i>
Virginia Tech, U.S. M.A., Economics	<i>2016 - 2018</i>
Sungkyunkwan University, South Korea M.A., Economics	<i>2014 - 2016</i>
Nanjing Agricultural University, China B.A., Finance	<i>2010 - 2014</i>

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Applied Microeconomics, Labor Economics, Economics of China, Development Economics

WORKING PAPER

1. **Shan Jin, “Network Effects on Migrants’ Labor Market Outcomes in China” (Job Market Paper)**

This paper uses 2005 China’s mini-census to study how networks affect migrants’ migration decisions, employment, and wage levels. Different from existing studies, this paper takes into account the existence of self-selection in the labor market. With the help of theoretical model, we have a better understanding of the mechanism of networks as well as the different network effects on rural and urban migrants. We find out that networks affect both rural and urban migrants’ migration decisions positively. In terms of employment, networks exert positive impacts on rural migrants, but not on urban ones, which is due to the different quality drops between rural and urban migrants when the networks increase. Such employment effects also lead rural migrants to face a more severe negative wage impact than urban migrants.

2. **Shan Jin, “Self-Selection and the Wage of Migrants in China”**

This paper examines the impact of the endogeneity of the decision to migrate on the wage differentials between migrants and non-migrants in China. We find that migrants are self-selected from the upper tail of the income distribution in their home location. Consistent with a theoretical model of migration choice, we show that the size of the selection effect on wage depends on the wage differences between the prefectures of origin and destination as well as migration cost. The selection effect also differs among workers with different education and in different cities.

WORK IN PROGRESS

Shan Jin, “Parental Migration on Children’s Risk Preference and Performance”

Albert W. Moore, Suqin Ge, **Shan Jin**, Sunwook Kim, Maury Nussbaum, Divya Srinivasan, “Effects of Exoskeleton Use on Male and Female Workers in a Maximum Acceptable Load Task”

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Virginia Tech Rising Scholar Award, 2018

Sungkyunkwan University Foreign Student Scholarship, 2014-2015

Nanjing Agricultural University Outstanding Student Scholarship, Fall 2011

Nanjing Agricultural University Outstanding Association Leader, Spring 2012

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor

Econ 2005 Principles of Economics (Microeconomics) *Summer 2019*

Teaching Assistant

Econ 2005 Principles of Economics (Microeconomics) *Fall 2016*

Econ 2006 Principles of Economics (Macroeconomics) *Spring 2017*

Econ 4214 Economics of Health Care *Fall 2017, Spring 2018*

Econ 5984 SS: Topics in Labor Economics (Graduate Course) *Fall 2018*

Research Assistant

Department of Economics, Virginia Tech *Spring 2019, Summer 2020, Fall 2020*

Department of Economics & Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering, Virginia Tech *Fall 2019, Spring 2020*

- Work in an NSF (National Science Foundation) granted interdisciplinary team to explore the effects of augmentation technology on worker productivity and well-being (“Whole-body Exoskeletons for Advanced Vocational Enhancement”)
- Participate in questionnaire design, lab experiment, and data analysing

CONFERENCE PRESENTATION

The 3rd Frontier of Labor Economics, Beijing, May 2019

Chinese Economists Society (CES) 2019 China Annual Conference, Dalian, June 2019

Southern Economic Association (SEA) the 89th Annual Meeting, FL, November 2019

WORKSHOP

The 18th Annual Economics Teaching Workshop, NC , September 2019.

SKILLS

Languages Chinese (native), Korean (native), English (fluent)

Software & Tools STATA, L^AT_EX, MATLAB, R, MS OFFICE

REFERENCES

Prof. Suqin Ge (Advisor)

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