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EDUCATION

PhD. Economics, University of Alabama (UA), Tuscaloosa, AL 2019
Dissertation Title: *Fluctuations in International Reserve Assets and Economic Growth*
(Co-Chairs: Xiaochun Liu & Junsoo Lee)
MA. Economics, University of Alabama (UA), Tuscaloosa, AL 2019
MSc. Economics, The University of the West Indies, Mona, Jamaica 2011
BSc. Economics & Statistics, UWI, Jamaica 2009

FIELDS OF CONCENTRATION

International Finance, Macro-Finance, Applied Econometrics

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Assistant Professor 2019 – Present
Virginia Tech University, Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics
Graduate Teaching Assistant 2014 – 2019
University of Alabama, Department of Economics, Finance and Legal Studies
Economist 2012 - 2014
Bank of Jamaica, Kingston, Jamaica

HONORS AND AWARDS

University of Alabama:

- Culverhouse Business School Award for Excellence in Teaching by a Doctoral Student 2018, 2019
- Graduate Teaching Fellow 2018
- University-wide Nominee, Outstanding Teaching by a Doctoral Student 2018, 2019
- Dep. of Economics, Finance, and Legal Studies Graduate Students Summer Research Grant 2018
- Graduate Student Assistantship 2014 – 2019

University of the West Indies, Mona:

- Thomas De La Rue plc Scholarship 2009 – 2011
- MSc. in Economics Fellowship 2009
- Student Research Assistant Grant 2009, 2011

PUBLICATIONS

[Synchronization of Regional Growth Dynamics in China](#) (with Zhicun Bian, Jun Ma and Jinlan Ni), China Economic Review (2018)

Working Papers:

- Fluctuations in Special Drawing Rights: How important is US monetary policy?
- Reserve Market Indicators and the Stability of the International Monetary Fund's Special Drawing Rights (with Xiaochun Liu)
- Shift Contagion in a Time Varying Probability Framework (with Jun Ma)

Work in Progress:

- Structural Volatility Impulse Response of the IMF's Special Drawing Rights to Monetary Policy Shocks
- Dynamics of exchange rate comovements among the G10 countries

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

University of Alabama

Instructor

Business Finance	Spring 2018
Principles Macroeconomics	Fall 2017
Fin. Analysis and Modeling	Summers I & II 2017
Business Finance	Summer II 2016 & 2015

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Business Finance	Spring 2019
Time Series Econometrics (Ph.D.)	Fall 2018
Financial Econometrics (Undergrad/Grad)	Fall 2018
Econometrics (Ph.D.)	Spring 2017
Econ. of Environment & Nat. Resources (Undergrad/Grad)	Spring 2017
Econometrics (Grad)	Fall 2016, Fall 2015
Economic Forecasting and Analysis (Grad)	Spring 2016
Int. Microeconomics (Undergrad)	Fall 2014, Spring 2015, Spring 2019

PROFESSIONAL AND DEPARTMENT SERVICE

Virginia Tech University, Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics

Member, Undergraduate Program Committee

REFEREE

Economics Bulletin, Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics (SNDE)

OTHER INFORMATION

Computer Skills: *E-Views, STATA, SPSS, SAS, R, L^AT_EX, GAUSS*

Certificates: *Managing and Facilitating Online Instruction, UWI Open Campus*

REFERENCES

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