

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### APPOINTMENTS

- Senior Labor Economist.* Development Economics Research Group, The World Bank.  
May 2007 – Present.
- Associate Professor* (with tenure). Department of Economics, Michigan State University.  
2007 – Present (Currently On Leave).
- Assistant Professor.* Department of Economics, Michigan State University.  
August 1999 – 2001, 2003 -- 2007.
- Academy Scholar.* Harvard Academy, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University. September 2001 – August 2003.
- Visiting Scholar.* Research Center for the Rural Economy, Ministry of Agriculture (Beijing, China). January – September, 1998.
- Visiting Scholar.* Center for Chinese Agricultural Policy, Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences (Beijing, China). May – October, 1996.
- Graduate Student Instructor.* Department of Economics, University of California at Berkeley.  
*Introduction to Economics* (Fall 1993, Spring 1994), *The World Economy in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century* (Fall 1994), *Theory of International Trade* (Spring 1995, Spring 1996), *Intermediate Microeconomics* at Haas School of Business (Fall Semesters, 1995, 1997, 1998).
- English Teacher.* Wuhan Institute of Iron and Steel Technology (Wuhan, Hubei Province, China). June 1987 – June 1989.

### RESEARCH AFFILIATIONS

- Research Fellow.* Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Bonn, Germany.  
August 2006 – Present.
- Research Fellow.* William Davidson Institute, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.  
January 2000 – Present.
- Research Affiliate.* Institute for Population and Labor Economics, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing, China. June 2000 – Present.
- Research Affiliate.* Fairbank Center for East Asian Research, Harvard University.  
July 2001 – August 2003.

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Development Economics  
Labor Markets in Developing Countries  
The Economics of Aging in Developing Countries  
Village Political Economy  
Social Networks and Entrepreneurship  
The Economic Development of China

## COURSES TAUGHT

Development Economics (Undergraduate).  
Development Microeconomics (Doctoral).  
East Asian Economic Development (Undergraduate).  
Intermediate Microeconomics (Undergraduate).

## EDUCATION

University of California at Berkeley, Ph.D. in Economics, 1999.  
The Johns Hopkins University, Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies, M.A. in China Studies, 1991.  
Stanford University, B.A. in Political Science, 1987.  
Stanford University, B.S. in Electrical Engineering, 1986.

## PAPERS

### Published or Accepted for Publication.

- “Income Inequality during China’s Economic Transition,” with Dwayne Benjamin, Loren Brandt and Sangui Wang. Paper prepared for the handbook titled *China's Great Transformation*, Loren Brandt and Thomas Rawski, eds., Cambridge University Press (forthcoming).
- “Precautionary Behavior, Migrant Networks and Household Consumption Decisions: An Empirical Analysis Using Household Panel Data from Rural China” with Kyeongwon Yoo, *The Review of Economics and Statistics*, 89(3) (August 2007): 534-551.
- “Elderly Parent Health and the Migration Decision of Adult Children: Evidence from Rural China” with Ren Mu, *Demography* 44(2) (May 2007): 265-288.
- “How Well Do Children Insure Parents Against Low Retirement Income? An Analysis Using Survey Data from Urban China” with Fang Cai and Xin Meng, *Journal of Public Economics* 90(12) (December 2006): 2229-2255.
- “Is Life More Risky in the Open? Household Risk-Coping and the Opening of China’s Labor Markets,” *Journal of Development Economics*, 81(1) (October 2006): 25-60.
- “Reemployment of Dislocated Workers in Urban China: The Roles of Information and Incentives” with Albert Park and Fang Cai, *Journal of Comparative Economics* 34(3) (September 2006): 582-607.
- “How has Economic Restructuring Affected China’s Urban Workers,” with Albert Park and Fang Cai, *China Quarterly* 185 (March 2006): 61-95.

“The Evolution of Inequality in Rural China,” with Dwayne Benjamin and Loren Brandt. *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, 53(4) (July 2005): 769-824.

“What is China’s True Unemployment Rate?” with Albert Park and Juwei Zhang, *China Economic Review*, Vol 16(2) (June 2005): 149-170.

“Competition Under Credit Rationing: Theory and Evidence from Rural China,” with Albert Park (University of Michigan) and Loren Brandt (University of Toronto). *Journal of Development Economics*, 71(2) (August 2003): 463-495.

“Leaving China’s Farms: Survey Results of New Paths and Remaining Hurdles to Rural Migration” with Scott Rozelle, Guo Li, Minggao Shen and Amelia Hughart, *China Quarterly* 158 (June 1999): 367-393.

#### Papers Submitted for Review

“Migrant Opportunity and the Educational Attainment of Youth in Rural China,” with Alan de Brauw. Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Discussion Paper No. 2326 (September 2006); Policy Research Working Paper 4526, The World Bank (February 2008).

“Migrant Labor Markets and the Welfare of Rural Households in the Developing World: Evidence from China,” with Alan de Brauw. Policy Research Working Paper 4585, The World Bank (April 2008).

“Chronic and Transient Poverty: Measurement and Estimation, with Evidence from China,” with Jean-Yves Duclos and Abdelkrim Araar. Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA) Discussion Paper No. 2078 (June 2006?).

“Inequality and Growth in Rural China: Does Higher Inequality Impede Growth?” with Dwayne Benjamin and Loren Brandt. Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Discussion Paper No. 2344 (October 2006?).

#### Papers in Progress or Under Revision

“The Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, Disruptions to Education, and Returns to Schooling in Urban China,” with Albert Park and Meiyang Wang.

“Does it pay to be a Cadre? The Returns to Being a Local Official in Rural China,” with Scott Rozelle (Stanford) and Jian Zhang (UC Davis).

“Weak Property Rights in the Labor Allocation Decision of Rural Chinese Households”

“The Evolution of Wealth Inequality in Rural China,” with Kyeongwon Yoo.

“Economic Restructuring, Shocks to Parent Employment and the College Enrollment Decision: Evidence from Urban China,” with Yang Du.

## **PUBLICATIONS IN CHINESE**

“Nongcun Chuantong Yanglao Jizhi yu Chengnian Zi Nu Waichu Laodong Jiuye” [“The Traditional Elder Support Mechanism and the Migration of Adult Children”], with Ren Mu, in *Zhongguo Laodong Jingji* [*China Labor Economics*] 2(4) (December 2005).

“Kaifang Shiqi de Shenghuo Shifou Geng Cong Man Fengxian? Zhongguo de Laodongli Kaifang yu Jiating de Fengxian Diyu” [“Has Life Become More Risky During the Opening Up Period? The Opening of China’s Labor Markets and Household Risk-Coping”] in *Zhuanxing Zhong de Zhongguo Laodongli Shichang* [China’s Labor Market in the Process of Transition], Fang Cai and Zhanxin Zhang (eds). China Population Press, Beijing, June 2005.

“Jingji Chongzu Ruhe Yingxiang Chengshi Zhi Gong de Jiuye yu Fuli,” [“The Impact of Economic Restructuring on the Employment and Benefits of Urban Workers”], with Fang Cai, Albert Park and Yaowu Wu, *Zhongguo Laodong Jingji [China Labor Economics]*, 1(1) (January 2004):1-32.

## RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

“Social Networks, Village Governance and Entrepreneurship in Rural China.”

“Economic Restructuring and Retirement in Urban China.”

“China’s Rural Elderly and Old Age Support,” with Dewen Wang, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing.

“Sibling Gender Composition and Educational Attainment in China,” with Luoia Hu (Northwestern University).

“Income Persistence and the Evolution of Inequality in Rural China,” with Dwayne Benjamin and Loren Brandt. Original paper presented at the NEUDC Meetings, Boston, September 28-30, 2001 and WDI Transition Conference in Riga, June 2002.

“Village Institutions and the Crop Choice Decision of Rural Households,” with Bryan Lohmar, Economics Research Service, US Department of Agriculture.

## RESEARCH GRANTS

“Economic Restructuring, Shocks to Parent Employment and the College Enrollment Decision: Evidence from Urban China,” Research Support Budget, Development Economics Vice-Presidency, The World Bank, January 2008-June 2009.

“Economic Restructuring and Retirement in Urban China,” Steven H. Sandell Grant for Junior Scholars in Retirement Research, Center for Retirement Research, Boston College, June 2006-May 2007.

“Factor Market Reform and Agricultural Production in China,” Cooperative Research Agreement with USDA, Economics Research Service, October 2005 – September 2006.

“Land Tenure Security, Village Governance, and the Crop Choice Decisions of Agricultural Households in China,” *Michigan State University Intramural Research Grants Program*, December 2003 – June 2005.

“Weak Property Rights and The Emergence of Labor Markets in Rural China,” *National Science Foundation, Economics Program* (SES-0214702). August 2002 -- July 2005 (Extended to July 2005 due to SARS). Supports supplemental data collection in households and villages surveyed by the Research Center for Rural Economy, Ministry of Agriculture, Beijing.

“The Impact of Markets and Inequality on Institutional Outcomes and Public Choice: A Longitudinal Analysis,” *Ford Foundation* (Beijing). January 2003 – December 2004. Supports collaborative research and supplemental data collection with the Research Center for Rural Economy, Ministry of Agriculture, Beijing.

“China’s Urban Labor Markets in Transition,” *Ford Foundation (Beijing)*. Grant for collaborative survey research with the Institute for Population and Labor Economics at the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS-IPLE). October 2001 – September 2002.

“China’s Urban Labor Markets in Transition,” *Michigan State University Intramural Research Grants Program* (New Faculty Initiation Grant Program). Funds used to initiate collaborative survey project with CASS-IPLE. December 2000 – June 2002.

## **SURVEY RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

*The China Urban Labor Survey, Wave 2*. Conducted in 2005 in collaboration with the Institute for Population and Labor Economics at the Chinese Academy for Social Sciences (CASS-IPLE) in Beijing, China. This was a detailed household based survey conducted in over 6000 households and includes nearly 20000 individuals in 12 Chinese cities, and followed the format of *Wave 1* discussed below. Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Albert Park and Fang Cai).

*The China Urban Social Protection Survey*. Conducted in 2004 in collaboration with the Institute for Population and Labor Economics at the Chinese Academy for Social Sciences in Beijing, China. This was a household survey conducted in 12 cities in collaboration with CASS-IPLE. The purpose of the survey was to evaluate coverage of China’s developing social safety net, including pension, unemployment insurance and minimum living standard support programs. Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Fang Cai and Xin Meng).

*The Rural Household Social Network, Labor Allocation and Land Use Survey, and the Village Governance Survey*. These surveys were pre-tested extensively from 2002 to 2004 and implemented in 2004 in 4000 rural households and 100 villages. The research was implemented in collaboration with the Research Center for the Rural Economy (RCRE) at China’s Ministry of Agriculture. The survey was conducted in households and villages in RCRE’s ongoing panel survey, and supported with funding from the National Science Foundation in the US. Role: Principal Investigator.

*The China Urban Labor Survey, Wave 1 and the China Adult Literacy Survey*. Conducted in 2001 and 2002 in collaboration with the Institute for Population and Labor Economics at the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences in Beijing, China. This was an urban household survey in which nearly 8100 surveys of adults were enumerated from 3500 households in five cities. The aim of the survey was to document employment histories, histories of benefit receipt, detailed information on households similar to conventional household surveys, and information on family social networks. During Fall 2002, we returned to households to administer cognitive ability surveys to all adults. Role: Principal investigator (Co-investigators: Albert Park and Fang Cai).

*Rural Risk, Insurance and Labor Market Survey*. Supplemental survey conducted in 1998 in collaboration the Research Center for the Rural Economy at China’s Ministry of Agriculture and supported with funding from the Social Sciences Research Council and American Council for Learned Societies. Role: Principal investigator.

*Six Province Village Survey*. Helped to write and pre-test village and township level surveys on formal and informal finance and labor supply of village residents. The survey was conducted from August to November 1996. Role: Research Assistant/Junior Investigator (The Principal Investigators were Scott Rozelle and Albert Park).

## AWARDS AND HONORS

*John K. Hudzik Emerging Leader in International Studies.* Presented by the International Studies Program at Michigan State University in recognition of contributions to advancing international studies and international research collaborations. March 2006.

*Journal of Development Economics Award.* Award for outstanding research in development economics, University of California at Berkeley, May 1999.

*John L. Simpson Memorial Research Fellowship in Comparative and International Studies.* Institute for International Studies, UC Berkeley 1998-1999.

*Grant for Dissertation Research in the People's Republic of China.* American Council of Learned Societies, Committee for Scholarly Communication with the People's Republic of China, October 1997 – September 1998.

*Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award.* HAAS School of Business, University of California at Berkeley, December 1998.

*Fellowship for First Year Graduate Study in Economics.* Department of Economics, University of California at Berkeley, 1992-1993.

## PRESENTATIONS AND SEMINARS

“The Well-Being of China’s Rural Elderly,” Workshop on China’s Rural Elderly and Old Age Support, The World Bank (Beijing) (March 28, 2008).

“Health Status of Family Members and Individual Labor Supply Decisions: Evidence from Urban China,” International Health Economics Association, Sixth World Congress, Copenhagen (July 11, 2007).

“Migrant Labor Markets and the Welfare of Rural Households in the Developing World: Evidence from China,” with Alan de Brauw. Presented at the Northeast Universities Development Consortium Conference, Cornell University (September 30, 2006); Beijing Forum, Beijing University (October 29, 2006); ASSA Annual Meetings, Chicago (January 6, 2007); Department Seminar, Department of Economics, Virginia Polytechnic Institute (March 23, 2007); Applied Microeconomics Seminar, University of Western Ontario (April 18, 2007); Development Economics Seminar, Department of Economics, University of Southern California (April 25, 2007); Population, Labor and Development Economics Brown Bag Seminar, The RAND Corporation (April 27, 2007); Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (August 24, 2007); Agricultural Economics Department Seminar, University of Maryland (October 17, 2007); Trade and Development Seminar, Johns Hopkins University-SAIS (November 15, 2007); Trade and Development Seminar, George Washington University (November 20, 2007); The Social Protection and Labor Sector (HDNSP) Brown Bag Lunch, The World Bank (February 21, 2008); Development Economics Seminar, Yale University (April 7, 2008); Development and Trade Seminar, Maxwell School of Public Policy, Syracuse University (April 14, 2008).

“Elder Parent Health and the Migration Decision of Adult Children: Evidence from Rural China,” with Ren Mu. Presented in the Development and Trade Seminar, Department of Economics, Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, Australian National University (August 2, 2005); International Conference on Migrant Communities, Urban Poverty and Social Protection in China (Beijing, October 22, 2005); Health Economics Seminar, Harvard-Boston University-MIT (February 22, 2006); Annual Meetings of the Population Association of America, Los Angeles (March 30, 2006); Population Studies Training Center, Lunch Seminar, Brown University (April 12, 2006).

- “Migrant Opportunity and the Educational Attainment of Youth in Rural China,” with Alan de Brauw. Presented in the Poverty and Applied Micro Seminar, Research Department, World Bank (April 20, 2005); Applied Micro Seminar Series, Michigan State University (April 25, 2005); Applied Microeconomics Seminar, Department of Economics, Research School of the Social Sciences, Australian National University (August 5, 2005); Northeast Universities Development Consortium Conference, Brown University (September 25, 2005); Allied Social Sciences Associations Conference, Boston (January 6, 2006); Pacific Development Economics Conference, Santa Clara, CA (March 4, 2006); the Economics Department Seminar, Western Michigan University (March 17, 2006); Applied Microeconomics Seminar, Brown University (April 12, 2006); Applied Microeconomics Seminar, Universite Laval (April 21, 2006); IDRC/CIGI Young China Scholars Poverty Research Network Seminar, Beijing Normal University (June 15, 2006); Far Eastern Meetings of the Econometric Society, Qinghua University, Beijing (July 10, 2006); ; Department Seminar, Department of Economics, Fudan University (November 3, 2006); Department Seminar, Department of Economics, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics (November 4, 2006); Annual Meetings of the Population Association of America (March 29, 2007); Migration and Development Brown Bag Lunch, The World Bank (April 10, 2008).
- “Reemployment of Dislocated Workers in Urban China: The Role of Information and Incentives,” with Fang Cai and Albert Park. “Conference on Comparative Economic Transition,” London Business School, Center for New and Emerging Markets (June 11-12, 2004); “International Conference on Poverty, Inequality, the Labour Market and Welfare Reform in China,” RISS and RSPAS, Australian National University (August 25-27, 2004); Academy Scholars Alumni Conference, Harvard University (March 10-12, 2005); EBRD-MIT Mini Conference on Labor Markets in Transition Economies (February 17, 2006); European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, London (June 22, 2007).
- “The Dynamics of Inequality and Growth in Rural China: Does Higher Inequality Impede Growth?” with Dwayne Benjamin and Loren Brandt. Presented in the Applied Micro Seminar, Michigan State (April 19, 2004); Agricultural Economics Department Seminar, University of California at Davis (April 30, 2004); Meeting of the MacArthur Research Network on the Effects of Inequality on Economic Performance (June 28-29, 2004); Cornell/IFPRI/WIDER Conference on “Growing Inequality in China: Causes, Consequences and Responses (September 25-26, 2004); National Bureau of Economic Research (October 1, 2004); Northeast Universities Development Conference (October 2, 2004); Department Seminar, Western Michigan University (October 8, 2004); Asian Studies Social Science Seminar, University of Pennsylvania (February 10, 2005); Macroeconomics Seminar, Ohio State (May 16, 2005).
- “The Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, Disruptions to Education, and Returns to Schooling in Urban China,” with Albert Park, Meiyang Wang and Juwei Zhang. Presented at the *Northeast Universities Development Conference*, Yale University (October 17-19, 2003); the University of Michigan – Michigan State joint seminar in Development Economics (March 18, 2004); and the Midwest Economics Association Meetings (March 21, 2004); Chinese Economists Society, North American Meetings, Atlanta (July 30-31, 2004). Department Seminar, Drexel University (February 11, 2005).
- “How has Economic Restructuring Affected China’s Urban Workers,” with Albert Park and Fang Cai, August 2003. Presented at University of Michigan (March 2003) and The Upjohn Institute (May 2003).
- “Precautionary Behavior, Migrant Networks and Household Consumption Decisions: An Empirical Analysis Using Household Panel Data from Rural China,” with Kyeongwon Yoo.

- Presented in the Development and Trade Seminar, Department of Economics, Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, Australian National University (August 12, 2003); Beijing Forum, Beijing University (October 29, 2006).
- “Retirement, Labor Supply and the Welfare of Older Workers and the Elderly in Urban China,” with Albert Park and Fang Cai, Presented at the ASSA Meetings (January 2003).
- “Understanding the Long-term Effects of Policy Shocks: The Cultural Revolution ‘Sent Down’ Youth Program and Life Outcomes,” with Fang Cai. Presented at the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, November 2002.
- “Income Persistence and the Evolution of Inequality in Rural China,” with Dwayne Benjamin and Loren Brandt. Presented at the NEUDC Meetings (Boston, September 2001), International Conference on Transition Economies (Riga, June 2002).
- “Risk, Shock and Weak Property Rights in the Labor Allocation Decision of Rural Chinese Households.” Presented at RAND (September 21, 2001), NEUDC Meetings at Cornell (October 2000) and Brown University Applied Economics Seminar (March 2000).
- “Is Life More Risky in the Open? Household Risk-Coping and the Opening of China’s Labor Markets,” Presented at China Center for Economic Research, Beijing University (June 2000), University of Michigan, Joint Seminar in Labor and Development Economics (October 1999).