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EDUCATION

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Field</i>	<i>Institution</i>	<i>Year</i>
PhD	Economics	University of Minnesota	2021
MA	Economics	University of Minnesota	2018
BS	Economics, <i>summa cum laude</i> Math Minor	George Mason University	2015

POSITIONS

Yang Family Assistant Professor in Economics, Brown University, 2021 – Present
Research Analyst/Visiting Scholar, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, 2018 – 2020
Graduate Instructor/Teaching Assistant, University of Minnesota, 2016 – 2019

DISSERTATION

“Text Shocks and Monetary Surprises”

Committee: Christopher Phelan, VV Chari, Loukas Karabarbounis, and Hengjie Ai

WORKING PAPERS

“Text Shocks and Monetary Surprises: Text Analysis of FOMC Statements with Machine Learning” (JMP)

“FedSpeak Matters: FOMC Statements and Monetary Policy Expectations”

“Gender and Tone in Recorded Economics Presentations: Audio Analysis with Machine Learning,” with Haoyu Sheng

“Monetary Communication Rules,” with Laura Gáti

“What’s Yours isn’t Mine: Labor Disincentive Effects of Joint Taxation with Private Consumption,” with Ross Batzer

PRESENTATIONS († denotes virtual)

- 2023 ASSA (New Orleans, LA), Tufts University, Boston University, Western Finance Association (discussant), Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, Banque de France, European Central Bank, European Central Bank, Southern Economic Association Meeting (New Orleans, LA), Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, Columbia University
- 2022 West Virginia University†, University of California – Berkeley, University of California – San Diego, Western Economic Association Meeting (Portland, OR) †, CEPR Central Bank Communication Seminar†, Brown University Summer Faculty Seminar, Federal Reserve Bank of

- Philadelphia, Conference on Frontiers in Machine Learning and Economics (Philadelphia, PA),
Southern Economic Association Meeting (Ft. Lauderdale, FL)
- 2021 Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis[†], Office of the Currency of the Comptroller[†], Carleton
College[†], Harvard Business School[†], Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System[†],
Western University[†], Hamilton College[†], University of Georgia[†], Congressional Budget Office[†],
Federal Reserve Bank of New York[†], Analysis Group – Denver[†], Federal Reserve Bank of
Philadelphia[†], Brown University[†], Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond[†], Northwestern University,
Online Seminar in Economics + Data Science[†], University of Texas – Austin
- 2020 University of Minnesota, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago[†], Vanderbilt University[†], Universitat
Autònoma de Barcelona[†], Ryerson University[†]
- 2019 Midwest Macroeconomics Meetings (Athens, GA)
- 2018 Midwest Economic Association Meeting (Evanston, IL)
- 2015 Eastern Economic Association Meeting (New York, NY)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2020 AEA-CSWEP Summer Economics Fellow, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, Chicago, IL
- 2019-2020 Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN
- 2018-2019 Distinguished Instructor, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis,
MN
- 2018 Career Readiness Graduate Instructor Teaching Fellowship, University of Minnesota,
Minneapolis, MN
- 2017 Princeton Initiative: Macro, Money, and Finance, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
- 2016-2017 Herbert Mohring Fellowship, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN
- 2016-2017 Distinguished Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota,
Minneapolis, MN
- 2015-2016 Bert and Susan Hill Gross Fellowship, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN
- 2015 NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program Honorable Mention
- 2015 Howard R. Bloch Memorial Award for highest GPA in the economics program, George
Mason University, Fairfax, VA
- 2015 OSCAR Student Excellence Award, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA
- 2015 Economics Departmental Honors, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA
- 2015 Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA
- 2015 Omicron Delta Epsilon Economics Honor Society, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA
- 2014 Undergraduate Research Scholars Program Grant, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

COURSES

Brown University Econ 1680: Machine Learning, Text Analysis, and Economics (Spring 2022-2024)
Econ 1210: Intermediate Macroeconomics (Fall 2022, Spring 2024)

University of
Minnesota Econ 3101: Intermediate Microeconomics (Fall 2016 - Summer 2019)

SERVICE

Department Service Brown Macro Reading Group (2021-Present), Recruiting Committee (2021-2023),
Brown Macro Seminar Series (Spring 2022, Fall 2022, Fall 2023), Undergraduate
Advising (APMA/Math/CS-Econ Concentration) (2023-Present)

Referee American Economic Review, Nature, Review of Economics and Statistics, Review
of Economic Dynamics, Journal of Macroeconomics

External Minnesota Economics Big Data Institute Machine Learning Competition 2022,
University of Minnesota Alumni Conference Discussant (2022-2023)