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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. in Economics, George Mason University, February 2008 (expected).
- M.S. in Political Economy, Carnegie Mellon University, 2003.
Master's thesis title: *The Determinants of Corruption – A Simultaneous Equations Approach*.
Advisor: Otto A. Davis (Deceased).
- M.A. in International Trade, Nanjing University, China, 2000.
Master's thesis title: *The Open-economy Strategy of China as a Huge Post-Takeoff Country*.
Advisor: Erzhen Zhang.
- B.A. in Economics, Nanjing University, China, 1997.

DISSERTATION

The Political Economy of the Evolution of China towards an Authoritarian Market Economy.
Committee: Charles K. Rowley (Chair), Gordon Tullock, Richard E. Wagner, John Paden.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- *Primary Fields:* Political Economy/Public Choice, Public Finance, Behavioral Economics, Applied Microeconomics.
- *Secondary Fields:* Law and Economics, International Economics.

PUBLICATIONS

Eight papers were published in Chinese from 1994 to 2000, including “The Suppressed Growth Effect of Foreign Direct Investment and the Solution”, published at Vol. 9 (1997) of *International Trade Journal*, a winner of 1998 China's national award for graduate students in international economics (Anzjie Award).

WORKING PAPERS

- Job Market Paper: China's Evolution towards an Authoritarian Market economy – Key Steps on the Path to Institutional Reform (*under review by Public Choice*).
- China's Evolution from Autocracy towards Soft Authoritarianism – An Analytical History.
- The Evolving Nature of China's Economy – An Analytical History.
- The Forces behind the Institutional Changes under Chinese Central Government – A Behavioral Political Economy Framework.
- China's Fiscal Federalism as a Two-Edged Sword.
- A Unidimensional Policy Model of Candidates' Choices under Uncertainty of Turnout of Voting – An Application of Prospect Theory.
- Is It All about Competence? – An Empirical Study on US Presidents and Their Economic Performance (with Roger Congleton).
- The Determinants of Corruption – A Simultaneous Equations Approach.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Research Grant (\$500) for the “China’s Evolution towards an Authoritarian Market Economy” project, Institute for Human Studies, 2007.
- Graduate Lectureship, Department of Economics, George Mason University, Fall 2007.
- Research Grant (\$500) for the “Public Choice and China” project, Institute for Human Studies, 2005.
- Provost’s High Potential Graduate Research Assistantship, George Mason University, Fall 2004 – Spring 2007.
- Graduate Teaching Assistantship, Carnegie Mellon University, Fall 2000 – Fall 2003.
- Summer Research Assistantship, Carnegie Mellon University, 2000-2003.
- Graduate Associateship, Nanjing University, 1997-2000.
- Shichuanliangyi Award for Best Graduate Student, Nanjing University, 1999.
- Anzjie Award for International Trade Research, Chinese Ministry of Foreign Trade & Economic Cooperation, 1998.
- Best Undergraduate Research Paper, Business School, Nanjing University, 1995-1997.
- Remin Scholarship, Nanjing University, 1995, 1997.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Fall 2005 – Spring 2007: Research assistant to Prof. Charles K. Rowley, Department of Economics, George Mason University.
- Spring 2004: Visiting research fellow and program coordinator, Institute for Global Chinese Affairs, University of Maryland, College Park.
- Summer 2001, 2002, 2003: Research assistant to Prof. Otto A. Davis, Department of Social and Decision Sciences, Carnegie Mellon University.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Adjunct Assistant Professor of Economics: Trinity (Washington) University
Introduction to Microeconomics (*ongoing*).
- Instructor: George Mason University
Microeconomic Principles, Summer 2005 (*teaching evaluation: 4.46/5*).
Intermediate Microeconomics, Summer 2007 (*teaching evaluation: 3.88/5*).
Intermediate Microeconomics, Fall 2007 (*ongoing*).
- Teaching Assistant: George Mason University
Intermediate Microeconomics.
- Teaching Assistant: Carnegie Mellon University
Policy Analysis I (Applied Microeconomics), Policy Analysis II (Public Finance), Regression Methods for Social Sciences, Empirical Research Methods, Organizations, Decision Process in American Political Institutions.
- Teaching Assistant: Nanjing University
International Trade Theory, International Economics.

PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED SEMINARS

- “China’s Evolution towards Authoritarian Market economy – Key Steps on the Path to Institutional Reform”, Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, 2007.
- “Introduction to Public Choice Theory and Its Applications to China”, Nanjing University of Science and Technology, China, 2006.
- “Private Enterprises and China Miracle – A Public Choice Perspective”, Zhejiang University, China, 2006.
- “Public Choice and China: An Introduction”, Public Choice Society Annual Meeting, 2005.
- (With Otto A. Davis) “A Panel Data Simultaneous Equations Model of Corruption and the Quality of the Judiciary as Influenced by Economic Freedom and Other Variables”, Public Choice Society Annual Meeting, 2003.

- “Psychology and Economics”, Nanjing University, China, 2002.
- (With Otto A. Davis) “The Determinants of Corruption: A simultaneous Equations Approach”, Public Choice Society Annual Meeting, 2002.
- (With Otto A. Davis) “Corruption and Government: An Empirical Approach”, Public Choice Society Annual Meeting, 2001.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

- Chair, Session 20A(*Topics in Public Economics*) and 7K(*Topics in Housing Economics*), Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, 2007.
- Discussant, “*Economic Freedom and Economic Growth*” Panel, Public Choice Society Annual Meeting, 2005.
- Referee for *Public Choice*.

CURRENT AND PAST PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Public Choice Society
- Southern Economic Association
- Western Economic Association
- Chinese Economist Society
- Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management
- American Political Science Association
- Phi Beta Delta Honor Society

COMPUTER SKILLS

- System Software: MS Windows and Office.
- Econometric and Programming Software: STATA, SAS, SPSS, LIMDEP, MINITAB.

LANGUAGES

- Native in Chinese (Mandarin)
- Fluent in English

REFERENCES

- Charles K. Rowley (Chair): Duncan Black Professor of Economics, Department of Economics, George Mason University; Email: crowley@gmu.edu, Phone: (703)934-6934.
- Richard E. Wagner: Harris Professor of Economics, Department of Economics, George Mason University; Email: rwagner@gmu.edu, Phone: (703) 993-1132.
- John Paden: Robinson Professor of International Studies, Department of Public and International Affairs, George Mason University; Email: jpaden@gmu.edu, Phone: (703) 993-2181.
- Philip R. Wiest (Teaching Reference): Associate Professor of Economics, Department of Economics, George Mason University; Email: pwiest@gmu.edu, Phone: (703) 993-1131.