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## Education

2014 - 2016  
(expected)

**University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy** *Chicago, IL*  
**Master of Public Policy**  
Focus Areas: International Development and Economics

2008 - 2012

**Case Western Reserve University** *Cleveland, OH*  
**BA Economics with Honors**  
Minors: Finance and Japanese Language  
GPA: 4.0  
Thesis: Nationality of Ownership and Environmental Outcomes in the Automotive Supply Chain  
Supervisor: Dr. Susan Helper

Summer 2010,  
2011, and 2012

**Peking University** *Beijing, People's Republic of China*  
**LSE/PKU Summer Program**  
Courses: Chinese Economic Policy (2010), Development Studies (2011), Chinese Social Policy (2012)

Summer 2010  
and 2011

**London School of Economics** *London, United Kingdom*  
**LSE Summer School**  
Courses: Public Finance (2010), Marketing (2011)

Summer 2009

**Columbia University Kyoto Center for Japanese Studies** *Kyoto, Japan*  
**Classical Japanese Summer Program**  
GPA: 3.7

## Fellowships

2012 - 2013

**Fulbright Fellow** *Osaka, Japan*  
**Kwansei Gakuin University**  
Research Topic: Education or Exploitation? The Fate of Chinese Nationals in Japan's Industrial Trainee and Technical Internship Programme

## Employment

Sep 2013 - Present

**California Center for Population Research, UCLA** *Los Angeles, CA*  
**Research Associate**

- Construct complete individual work histories for all Ohio residents using detailed unemployment insurance and QCEW datasets provided to UCLA and CWRU by the State of Ohio.
- Develop a Ruby on Rails-based web application platform for search, display, and export of WARN notifications (demonstration at <http://nomad.cm/warn>).
- Use Stata, R, and custom-developed Ruby scripts to perform econometric analysis and data manipulation.

- Dec 2010 - Sep 2013 **Case Western Reserve University** *Cleveland, OH*  
**Research Assistant**
- Compiled and processed responses received from a nationwide survey of automotive suppliers as part of a Department of Labor-funded research grant.
  - Constructed multivariate regression models and conducted *k*-means cluster analysis using supplier survey data for publication in a report issued by Driving Change, a multi-state automotive research consortium.
  - Assisted in writing academic papers and reports, including a Driving Change report and two Brookings Institution policy papers.
  - Developed and implemented a data security plan for storage and handling of confidential wage record data (SSNs, individual names, wage, and employer).
- Jul 2012 - Dec 2012 **Harvard Business School** *Cambridge, MA*  
**Research Assistant**
- Compiled a single machine-readable dataset of all US patents and used fuzzy matching and geocoding methods to merge with other data sources.
  - Developed a Ruby-based implementation of normalized Levenshtein distance metric for use in fuzzy matching of individual and firm names across multiple datasets.
- Sep 2010 - Jun 2012 **Case Western Reserve University** *Cleveland, OH*  
**Teaching Assistant**
- Led regular supplementary instruction sessions for introductory undergraduate micro and macroeconomics courses.
  - Graded student homework and exams for economics and finance courses.
- Feb 2004 - Present **latitude41.5 ltd.** *Cleveland, OH*  
**Founder**
- Work with clients from diverse backgrounds to engineer web presences and online marketing strategies.
  - Coordinated successful six-figure (USD) search marketing campaigns for companies including IAC.

## Volunteer Experience

- Jan 2010 - Apr 2012 **Case Western Reserve University** *Cleveland, OH*  
**Peer Tutor**
- Provided one-on-one tutoring to students needing assistance in economics, finance, accounting, and Japanese courses.
  - Assisted international students with spoken and written English skills.
- Dec 2011 - Jan 2012 **Parque Nacional Marino Ballena** *Puntarenas, Costa Rica*  
**Volunteer**
- Assisted with environmental monitoring and clean-up activities as part of a service learning course.
  - Helped with rollout of a recycling program in nearby Bahía Ballena aimed at reducing the presence of trash within the park.

## Undergraduate Extracurriculars

Sep 2009 - May 2012

### Case Reserve Review

#### Business Manager and IT Director

- Managed a \$14,000 annual budget and coordinated all financial transactions for CWRU's official student-run literary journal.
- Developed and maintained an online presence for the *CRR* and an electronic work submission system.
- Served on the University Media Board along with university staff and fellow student leaders.

Nov 2010 - Apr 2012

### Weatherhead Economics Society

#### President

- Worked with economics faculty to further the economics program and provide academic and extracurricular opportunities to students.
- Oversaw the foundation of the first undergraduate student chapter of the National Association for Business Economics (NABE).
- Served with deans, faculty, and students as a member of the Weatherhead Undergraduate and Integrated Studies Committee to discuss issues impacting the School of Management.

Sep 2010 - Dec 2012

### Net Impact Undergrad

#### Vice President

- Developed a campus-wide marketing effort to raise awareness of microfinance and encourage students to join the CWRU Lending Team on Kiva.
- Designed a website and viral social media campaign, coordinated special events in conjunction with other student organizations and a local bar, and created informational videos.
- Facilitated guest lectures from local social entrepreneurs.

May 2009 - Sep 2010

### Japan Connection

#### Vice President

- Coordinated on-campus cultural events including cultural dinners, screenings of Japanese films, and issues panels.
- Assisted newly-arrived Japanese international students in adjusting to life in the US.
- Served as a peer tutor for introductory, intermediate, and advanced Japanese language courses.

## Honors and Certifications

- 2012 H.W. Kniesner Prize in Economics
- 2008 - 2012 Dean's High Honors (all 8 semesters)
- 2012 Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society Inductee
- 2011 Wolstein Society Inductee for Scholastic Excellence and Recognized Leadership
- 2011 Gardiner Scholarship in Economics and Finance
- 2011 Kevin J. Semelsberger Prize for Excellence in Management
- 2008 Stanford University Reischauer Scholar  
(for research relating to the portrayal of class structure in the art of Edo-period Japan)

## Language Proficiency

<b>English</b>	Native.
<b>Japanese</b>	Advanced proficiency in written and spoken Japanese. Passed Japanese Language Proficiency Test Level 2.
<b>Mandarin</b>	Basic conversational proficiency. Able to read and write simple sentences.

## Selected International Experience

<b>Japan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fulbright Fellow (Sep 2012 - Sep 2013) at Kwansai Gakuin University in Osaka, Japan</li><li>• Studied classical Japanese at the Columbia University Kyoto Center for Japanese Studies in Kyoto, Japan during Summer 2009</li><li>• Extensive travel throughout Japan over 15+ trips between 2002 and present, including several short-term homestays with Japanese families</li></ul>
<b>China</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Studied abroad at Peking University for three summers (2010, 2011, and 2012), taking courses in Chinese economic policy, development, and Chinese social policy.</li><li>• Travelled to China for two weeks in Spring 2009 as part of a course on health and human resources</li><li>• Extensive travel throughout China over eight trips since 2009.</li></ul>
<b>Bangladesh</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Spent winter break 2010 in Bangladesh as part of a course on economic development and microfinance.</li><li>• Met with representatives of the Grameen Bank, ASA, BRAC, and the Bangladeshi government including Nobel Laureate Dr. Muhammad Yunus.</li><li>• Visited active field research sites in remote villages.</li></ul>
<b>Costa Rica</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Volunteered in Bahía Ballena and the Parque Nacional Marino Ballena as part of a service learning initiative during December and January 2011.</li><li>• Studied health care policy in Costa Rica through site visits and meetings with local doctors and officials as part of the same service learning course.</li></ul>
<b>Netherlands</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Travelled to the Netherlands for 10 days to study drug policy and the sex industry as part of an alternative spring break course in March 2012.</li><li>• Met with representatives from the government, local NGOs, and sex workers' unions.</li></ul>
<b>United Kingdom</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Studied abroad at the London School of Economics for two summers (2010 and 2011), taking courses in public finance and marketing.</li><li>• Travelled independently throughout England and Scotland.</li></ul>
<b>Germany</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Spent two weeks studying European integration and Euro-zone monetary policy at the University of Frankfurt during May 2011 as part of an undergraduate management course.</li><li>• Met with representatives of the European Central Bank and local government officials.</li></ul>
<b>France</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Studied human resources practices and brand marketing at the Rouen Business School for two weeks during May 2010 as part of an undergraduate management course.</li><li>• Met with local business leaders and government officials.</li></ul>