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EDUCATION

Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

Ph.D. in Public Affairs Anticipated 2023
Minor: Applied Economics
Dissertation: “The Miscellaneous Effects of Occupational Licensing
on Labor Market Outcomes”
Committee: Morris Kleiner (advisor), Samuel Myers Jr, Janna Johnson
Aaron Sojourner

Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

Master of Public Policy 2017

Sichuan International Studies University, Chongqing, China

B.A. in English 2015

EMPLOYMENT

Research Experience

2018 - Present **Graduate Research Assistant**, Institute for Social Research & Data
Innovation (ISRDI), University of Minnesota
2015 - July **Graduate Research Assistant**, Institute for Urban and Regional
2017 Infrastructure Finance (IURIF), University of Minnesota

Professional Experience

2022 **Summer Fellow**, Department of Labor Chief Evaluation Office, Washington,
June - August DC
2017 - 2018 **Data and Policy Analyst**, Minnesota Department of Human Services,
Minneapolis, MN
2016-2017 **Data Analyst Intern**, Hennepin County Human Services and Public Health
Department, Minneapolis, MN
2016 **Project Consultant**, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Minneapolis,
MN
2016 **Project Manager**, Conflict Resolution Center of Minneapolis, Minneapolis,
MN
2014 **Research Intern**, Xiangyang Bureau of Commerce, Xiangyang City, Hubei
Province, China

WORKING PAPERS

Wang, W., & Kleiner, M. M. “The Labor Market Effects of Occupational Licensing in the Public Sector”

Kleiner, M. M., & **Wang, W.** “The Effects of Occupational Licensing and Racial Difference on Wages and Wage Distributions”

Wang, W. “The Effects of Regulating Overlapping Occupations: An Analysis for Opticians and Optometrists”

PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS

Dumas, W., Erdenemandakh, J., Karongo, L., Oh, Y. T., Teed, D., **Wang, W.**, & Watkins, J. (2017). Origins and Consequences of the Humphrey Hawkins Act of 1978.

Alliance, V. (2017). Truth and Integrity in State Budgeting: What is the Reality. *Truth and Integrity in Government Finance Project. New York, : Volcker Alliance.*

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Economic Association (AEA)

Labor and Employment Relations Association (LERA)

Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM)

HONORS/AWARDS

University of Minnesota

2017	Lloyd B. Short Award—Best Capstone Project of the Year
2016	Babak Armajani Prize for professional development—Humphrey School
2015	Hubert H. Humphrey Public Leadership Awards Scholarship

External Awards

2022	CEO Summer Fellowship Department of Labor
2017	Star of the North Fellowship Minnesota State Government
2016	Harold W. Rosenthal Fellowship in International Relations
2015	Most Distinguished Graduate Award Sichuan International Studies University
2011 - 2015	China First-Grade National Scholarship

PRESENTATIONS, POSTERS AND PARTICIPATIONS

Conference Presentations

2022	Mercatus Markets & Society Conference, Washington DC “The Labor Market Effects of Occupational Licensing in the Public Sector”
2021	Labor and Employment Relations Association (LERA) Annual Meetings, Virtual, “Occupational Licensing in the Public Sector”
2020	CSOR Knee Conference, Virtual “The Effects of Regulating Overlapping Occupations: An Analysis for Opticians Optometrists”

Workshop Participation

2020	13 th China Economics Summer Institute, Virtual
2019	12 th China Economics Summer Institute, Beijing, China
2019	AEA Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, United States
2018	Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago Conference on Occupational Licensing Over Time and Across Countries, Chicago, IL, United States

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Instructor, University of Minnesota—Humphrey School of Public Affairs

Fall 2022 -	PA 3003: Nonprofit and Public Financial Management
Spring 2023	

Teaching Assistant, University of Minnesota—Humphrey School of Public Affairs

2020 - 2021	PA 5431 + HRIR 5655: Public Policy on Work and Pay
2020 - 2021	PA 5022: Labor Market Consequences of Economics Policies
2021	PA 5033: Multivariate
2021; 2017	PA 5032: Applied Regression
2017	PA 5043: Economic and Demographic Data Analysis
2016 - 2017	PA 5033: Introduction to Financial Management

SKILLS PROFILE

Research and Analysis:

- Extensive research experience on diverse topics including labor economics, public policy, econometrics, and microeconomics.
- Legal research experience with Westlaw, Lexis, and Heinonline.

Technical skills:

- Statistical software and programming languages: Stata, R, SAS, Matlab, Python, Tableau, SQL, and GIS.
- Microsoft Office software including Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook and Access.

Language skills: Fluent Chinese; Elementary level Spanish

REREFERNCES

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