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Education

Ph.D. Candidate in Economics. University of Colorado at Boulder Expected May 2013

Dissertation: Intellectual Property Rights and Their Effect on Productivity and Entry Mode Choice

Committee: Keith Maskus (Chair), Wolfgang Keller, Scott Savage, and Thibault Fally.

M.A., Economics. University of Colorado at Boulder 2008

M.S., Economics. London School of Economics, London, UK (with Merit) 2003

B.A., Economics. University of Oklahoma 2001

Research

Fields:

- International Trade, Development, and Empirical Industrial Organization

Current Research: My Research focuses on technology transfer to developing countries through different mechanisms and the effect of intellectual property rights on those mechanisms.

University of Colorado at Boulder

R.A., Carl McGuire Center for International Studies

August 2012 - Present

Boulder, CO

Working Papers:

Does Licensing Induce Technological Spillovers to Domestic Firms? (JMP)

Fixed Export Costs and Firm-Level Export Behavior (with Ben Li, Keith Maskus, and Yiqing Xie)

How Does Intellectual Property Rights Affect the Choice of Multinational Enterprises Entry Mode?

Work in Progress:

Bankruptcy in Early Modern England (with Ann Carlos, and Edward Kosack)

Conference and Seminar Presentations

Does Licensing Induce Technological Spillovers to Domestic Firms?

Third Bolivian Conference on Development Economics, La Paz, Bolivia. November, 2011

Eastern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA. March, 2012

Empirical Investigations in Trade and Investment (EITI), Keio University, Tokyo, Japan. March, 2012
(One in fifteen invitees)

Midwest International Trading Group, St. Louis, MO. October, 2012

Fixed Export Costs and Firm-Level Export Behavior (formerly "Heterogeneous Fixed Trade Cost and Firm-level Exporting Performance") (with Ben Li, Keith Maskus, and Yiqing Xie)

Third Bolivian Conference on Development Economics, La Paz, Bolivia. November, 2011

Ninth Ljubljana Empirical Trade Conference (LETC), University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia June, 2012 (One in fifteen invitees)

Teaching Experience

University of Colorado at Boulder
Graduate Instructor/Teaching Assistant

August 2007 - June 2012
 Boulder, CO

Math Tools For Economists I and II
 Principles of Micro and Principles of Macro

Certificate

International Monetary Fund Institute, Financial Programming and Policies, 2006

Honors and Fellowships

Graduate Fellowship for Public Policy Research, University of Colorado at Boulder, 2011.

Reuben A. Zubrow Fellowship in Economics, University of Colorado at Boulder, 2010.

Golden Key International Honour Society, 1999-2001.

Dean's Honour List, The University of Oklahoma, 2000-2001.

President's Honour List, The University of Oklahoma, 2000-2001.

Professional Experience

World Bank
Consultant

May 2007 - August 2007
 Washington, D.C.

Provided sole expertise on Bolivia as a developing country for a project analyzing privatizations and nationalizations of natural resources

Department of Finance, Economic and Social Policy Analysis Bureau
Economist

January 2004 - August 2006
 La Paz, Bolivia

Fiscal Sector Economist (2006)

Hydrocarbon, Mining, and Energy Sector Economist (2004, 2005)

Revised the statistical and legal data of the different sectors

Responsible for making reports about the economic impact of political projects of laws and decrees regarding the fiscal sector and their overall impact

Department of Finance, Fiscal Programming Unit
Consultant

June 2003 - December 2003
 La Paz, Bolivia

Consultant for the Hydrocarbon sector in Bolivia

Responsible for revising the statistical and legal data of the sector

Made industry forecasts, analyzing their impact on the Fiscal Program

Department of Finance, Economic and Social Policy Analysis Bureau
Technical Assistant

January 2002-June 2002
 La Paz, Bolivia

Memberships and Affiliations

American Economic Association

Bolivian Economic Society

Canadian Economic Society

Eastern Economic Society

Forum for Research in Empirical International Trade (FREIT)

Computer Skills

STATA, Mathematica, GAMS, SPSS, RATS, Eviews, L^AT_EX, Dreamweaver.

Languages and Other

Languages: Spanish (Native), English (Fluent)

Interests: Tennis, Racquetball, Music

References

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