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## EMPLOYMENT

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Post-doctoral Researcher, Bocconi University September 2019- July 2020  
Post-doctoral Researcher, Hitotsubashi University July-August 2019

## EDUCATION

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Ph.D., Economics, University of California, Davis May 2019  
M.A., Economics, University of Tokyo March 2013  
B.A., Economics, Keio University March 2011

## RESEARCH FIELDS

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Economic History, Labor Economics, Development Economics

## WORKING PAPERS

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### Job Market Paper

The Deep Roots of Inequality

### Other Papers

Wages and Incomes in Japan versus Europe, 1600-1870

How Equality Created Poverty: Japanese Wealth Distributions and Living Standards 1600-1870

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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The Benefit of Shocks: Risk and Living Standards in pre-industrial Japan

## PRESENTATIONS

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**2019:** Economic History Association Dissertation Session, Pacific Conference for Development Economics (PACDEV), University of Southern California; The Annual Cliometrics Conference, Paper Session; Waseda University; Keio University; Kobe University; Osaka University; Hitotsubashi University; European Historical Economics Society conference (EHES), Paris

**2018:** Graduate Student Session, Cliometrics Conference; Economic History Seminar, University of Tokyo; Economic Development Workshop, Hitotsubashi; All UC Graduate Student Workshop; LSE Graduate Student Seminar; Warwick Economic History Workshop; Oxford Graduate Student Seminar; Economic History Seminar, UC Davis

**2017:** New Frontiers in Asian Economic History, Association for Asian Studies; Family and Living Standards in Tokugawa Japan, Hitotsubashi University; Poster Session, Economic History Association

**2016** One Hundred Flowers, All UC Economic History Conference

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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University of California, Davis

Fall 2014 - Present

*Teaching Assistant*

- Undergraduate Courses: Economic History, Game Theory, Intermediate Econometrics, Intermediate Microeconomics
- Graduate Courses: Cross Section Econometrics, Econometric Foundations, Microeconomics  
*Average Evaluation Score: 4.4/5 (16 total courses)*

## HONORS, GRANTS, & FELLOWSHIPS

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<i>Alexander Gerschenkron Prize</i> for the best dissertation in non-US or Canadian Economic History, Economic History Association	2019
<i>Sokoloff Fellowship</i> (\$15,000), Economic History Association	2018-2019
<i>Economics Department Research Support Award</i> (\$1,500), UC Davis	2018-2019
<i>Graduate Student Fellowship</i> (\$3750), All-UC Group in Economic History	2017-2018
<i>Dissertation Improvement Support Award</i> (\$500), UC Davis	2017-2018
<i>Non-Resident Tuition Fellowship</i> , UC Davis	Fall 2016
<i>Long Term Foreign Studies Award</i> , Japan Student Services Organization	2013-2016

## LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

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English (native), Japanese (native), German (Basic), Italian (Basic)

## REFERENCES

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