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EMPLOYMENT Occidental College, Los Angeles, CA

> Associate Professor of Economics, 2023 - Present Assistant Professor of Economics, 2015 – 2023

EDUCATION University of California, Santa Cruz

> Ph.D. in Economics, June 2015 M.A. in Economics, June 2012 Johns Hopkins University - SAIS

M.A. in International Economics and International Relations, May 2007

Claremont McKenna College

B.A. in Economics and International Relations, May 2002

International Trade, Economic Development, and Applied Microeconomics FIELDS

Work in Progress "Economic Development and Export Growth: The Role of Trade Costs." with Michael Olabisi (Michigan State University).

"Growing Exporters and Optimal Tariffs: The Case of the China Shock," with Alan Spearot

"Chinese Trade & Production During COVID-19: A Disruption to Global Supply Chains" with Mary Everett Hancock, Journal of Asian Economics, Forthcoming

> "Economic Development and Export Diversification: The Role of Trade Costs" with Michael Olabisi, International Economics, May 2023.

> "Export Failure and Its Consequences: Evidence from Colombian Firms," Review of World Economics, 19 September 2022.

> "Export Growth Drivers and Economic Development," with Michael Olabisi, Empirical Economics, 29 January 2022.

> "Economic Development and the Margins of Trade: Are the Least Developed Countries Different?," with Michael Olabisi, Economic Inquiry, Volume 59, Issue 2, April 2021.

> 'Synergies and Competition: Export survival in Africa and Latin America" with Luisa Blanco, Michael Olabisi, and James Prieger, Southern Economic Journal, Volume 87, Issue 1, July 2020.

> "Firms in International Trade," with Federico Diez and Alan Spearot, in Wesley Wilson and Bruce Blonigen (ed.) "Handbook of International Trade and Transportation," Edward Elgar Publishing Limited, 2018.

Publications

- "Trade Dynamics in the East Asian Miracle: A Time Series Analysis of US-East Asia Commodity Trade, 1962–1992," with Terrie Carolan and Nirvikar Singh, *Millennial Asia*, 4(1), April 2013.
- "Trade Productivity Upgrading, Trade Fragmentation, and FDI in Manufacturing: The Asian Development Experience," with Nirvikar Singh, *Indian Growth and Development Review*, 6, 2013.
- "Global Perspectives in the Decline of Trade Finance," with William Powers, in Jean-Pierre Chauffour, and Mariem Malouche (ed.) "Trade Finance during the Great Trade Collapse," World Bank Publication, June 24, 2011.
- "Did Trade Credit Problems Deepen The Great Trade Collapse?" with William Powers, in Richard Baldwin (ed.) "The Great Trade Collapse: Causes, Consequences and Prospects," *VoxEU.org Publication*, The Graduate Institute, December 2009.
- "Decomposing China-Japan-U.S. Trade: Vertical Specialization, Ownership, and Organizational Form," with Judith Dean and Mary Lovely, *Journal of Asian Economics*, 20 (6), November 2009.

POLICY PUBLICATIONS

- "A Time Series Database for Global Trade, Production, and Consumption Linkages," with Zhi Wang, Marinos Tsigas, Xin Li, and Daniel Xu, prepared for the *GTAP Conference on Global Economic Analysis*, Penang, Malaysia, June 2010.
- "Effects of Foreign Import Tariffs and TRQs on US Food and Agricultural Exports," with Marinos Tsiga, prepared for a symposium organized by the *International Agricultural Trade Research Consortium*, Seattle, June 2009.
- "The CoRe NTMs Database: A Compilation of Reported Non-Tariff Measures," with Andrew Martinez and Jose Signoret, *USITC Working Paper*, No. 2009 12A, December 2009.
- "The Bahamas: Trade Sector Policy Note," with Christopher Vignoles and Matthew Shearer, Inter-American Development Bank Policy Note, 2008.
- "Belize: Exporting For Growth-Trade Sector Policy Note," with Samantha Chaitram, Cristina Dengel, Timothy Mills, Matthew Shearer, and Kati Suominen, *Inter-American Development Bank Policy Note*, 2008.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant to Nirvikar Singh, University of California, Santa Cruz (Summer 2011)

Economist, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC (2008 – 10)

Research Fellow, Inter-American Development Bank, Washington, DC (2007 – 08)

Intern, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC (Spring 2007)

Intern, Trade Links, LLC, Washington, DC (Summer 2006)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor, Occidental College, Los Angeles, CA (Fall 2015 – Present)

 International Economics, Intermediate Macroeconomics, and Firm-Level International Trade and Investment

Instructor, University of California, Santa Cruz (Summer 2014)

- Intermediate Macroeconomics

Teaching Assistant, University of California, Santa Cruz (2011 – 14)

 Introductory Microeconomics, Introductory Macroeconomics, Intermediate Microeconomics, Intermediate Macroeconomics, Introduction to Econometrics, Economies of East and Southeast Asia, Securities Markets and Financial Institutions, and Why Economies Succeed or Fail.

Teaching Assistant, Johns Hopkins University-SAIS, Washington, DC (2006 – 07)

- Trade Policy in Transition and Development.

Education Volunteer, U.S. Peace Corps, Chibuto, Mozambique (2002 – 2004)

- Taught English to 400 students and prepared them for the national English exam.

AWARDS, HONORS, AND GRANTS

Young Research Grant in Economics (2022 – 2023)

Young Research Grant in Economics (2020 – 2021)

Diversity Initiative For Tenure in Economics (DITE) Fellow (2016 – 2017)

Faculty Enrichment Grant, Course Development, Occidental College, Los Angeles, CA

Eileen Brooks Award, Best 5th Year Paper, University of California, Santa Cruz (2014)

TA Sabbatical Fellowship, Campus-Wide Award, University of California, Santa Cruz (2014)

Outstanding TA, Campus-Wide Award, University of California, Santa Cruz (2013 – 14)

Merit-Based Tuition Fellowship, University of California, Santa Cruz (2010 –14)

Development Project Award, Inter-American Development Bank (2008)

Sasine and Sorensen Family Fellowship, Johns Hopkins University-SAIS (2006 – 07)

Summer Research Opportunity Program, University of Utah (Summer 2000)

REVIEWER

Economic Inquiry, Economics of Transition and Institutional Change

SEMINARS/ CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

WEAI Annual Conference, Portland, Oregon (2022)

IT&FA Annual Conference, Online (2022)

LAC-Dev Annual Conference, Oberlin, Ohio, (2021)

IT&FA Annual Conference, Livorno, Italy (2019)

WEAI Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA (2019)

US International Trade Commission, Washington, DC (2019)

IT&FA Annual Conference, Beijing, China (2018)

WEAI Annual Conference, San Diego, CA (2017)

Occidental College, Colgate University, Bates College, and Georgia Tech (2015)

Midwest International Trade Conference, University of Kansas (2014)

WEAI Annual Conference, Denver, Colorado (2014)

Guest Speaker Seminar Series, University of San Francisco (2014)

Department Seminar, University of California, Santa Cruz (2014)

Microeconomics Workshop, University of California, Santa Cruz (2013, 2014)

COMPUTER SKILLS DataWeb, LATEX, Matlab, R, STATA, WITS

Languages English (native), Spanish (fluent), Portuguese (proficient)

PROFESSIONAL International Trade and Finance Association
AFFILIATIONS American Society of Hispanic Economists

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Western Economic Association International