SHENGQI NI (LIGHT)

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EDUCATION

Yale University, Department of Economics & Tobin Center　　2020 - 2021 (Expected)
Economics Pre-doctoral Fellow

The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Department of Economics　　2017 - 2019
Master of Philosophy in Economics

Southwestern University of Finance and Economics, RIEM
Bachelor of Economics (*Merit Student Award, Outstanding Graduate*)　　2012 - 2016

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Development Economics, Political Economy, Applied Microeconomics

WORKING PAPERS

"Political Connections and Allocative Distortions: the Land Quota System in China", under review, *Journal of Development Economics*

"How Does Television Influence Ideology in Communist State: Evidence from German Democratic Republic", with Li Yang

"Informal Institutions and Authoritarian Information Systems: Theory and Evidence from China", with Junyan Jiang, Jeremy Wallace

"Growing with Graft: Elite Corruption and Local Development in China", with Junyan Jiang

"Imitation, Innovation and Technological Progress"

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant for Prof. Fabrizio Zilibotti and Michael Peters, *Yale University*　　2019

Research Assistant for Prof. David Yang, *Harvard University*　　2019

Research Assistant for Prof. Jane Zhang, *Hong Kong University of Science and Technology*　　2017

Research Assistant for Prof. Richard B. Freeman, *Harvard University*　　2016

Research Project Grant　　2013 - 2014
Key Project, The 11th Undergraduate Research and Innovation Program
· Research topic: "Inheritance Tax system and Its Potential Impact: Evidence from China"

Research Project Grant　　2013 - 2014
The 11th Undergraduate Research and Innovation Program
· Research topic: "China's Pension System: Modern System and Traditional Culture"

Fieldwork
· Ninglang, Lijiang: Dose Growth Improve Human Well-being?, HKUST　　2017
· Mabian, Leshan: Young Education Improvement Project (YEIP), SWUFE　　2016
· Wulong, Baoxing: Industrial Upgrading in Dongsheng Village　　2015
· Lushan, Ya'an: Earthquake Reconstruction in lushan　　2014

MATHEMATICAL MODELING

The National First Prize (1% of teams)   China Mathematical Contest in Modeling

Honorable Mention (25% of teams)   Mathematical Contest in Modeling (MCM)

CONFERENCE AND INVITED TALKS

Fudan Univerisity, 2020; Xiamen University (WISE, 2020); 7th Summer School of Quantitative History, 2019; Peking University (NSD, 2015); SWUFE,2015

SELECTED GRANTS AND HONORS

Yale Pre-doctoral fellowship	2020
Quantitative History Research Grant	2019
Postgraduate Fellowship, CUHK	2017-2019
First Class Scholarship for Academic Excellence (four times, top 3%)	2012-2016
Academic Research Award (two times, top 2%)	2012-2016
Innovation and Entrepreneurship Scholarship (top 2%)	2012-2016
Excellent Social Work and Voluntary Service Scholarship (top 2%)	2012-2016
Cultural and Sports Activities Scholarship (two times, top 2%)	2012-2016
First-class of Macredit Group Corporations Scholarship (top 1%)	2015
First-class of The Agricultural Bank of China Scholarship (top 1%)	2014
Outstanding Volunteer of the Year 2013	2014
Zhe Jiang Provincial Energy Group Company Scholarship	2013

TEACHING

Advance Topics in Microeconomics; Methods of Economic Statistics; Basic Microeconomics; Chinese Economy: Heritage and Change

SKILLS

Software: Proficient in statistical analysis and software (R, MATLAB, Stata, VBA), LaTeX
Languages: English (Fluent), Mandarin (Native), Cantonese (Basic)
Sports: School track team member, Sprinter, Basketball, Volleyball, Table Tennis

REFERENCES

Available Upon Request