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NATIONALITY

U.S. Citizen

EDUCATION

- **Ph.D., Economics**, Kansas State University (expected graduation date: May 2019)
Dissertation Title: “*Essays on International Trade and Economics of Conflict*”
Committee: Yang-Ming Chang (Advisor), Peri Da-Silva, Jin Wang, Tian Xia
- **M.A., Economics**, Western Illinois University, May 2014
- **B.A., Economics**, Moulay Ismail University, Meknes, Morocco, June 2003

AREAS OF RESEARCH INTEREST

International Trade, Applied Microeconomics, Economics of Peace and Conflict,
Industrial Organization, and Applied Econometrics

AREAS OF TEACHING INTEREST

International Economics, Microeconomics (Principles, Intermediate, Graduate), Managerial Economics,
Econometrics, Macroeconomics (Principles, Intermediate), Money and Banking, Game Theory and
Strategic Behavior, Mathematical Economics, Industrial Organization, Economics of Peace and Conflict

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2016-Present: **Primary Instructor**, Department of Economics, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS

Managerial Economics

- Fall 2018

Intermediate Macroeconomics

- Spring 2017, Fall 2016

Principles of Macroeconomics

- Spring 2019, Summer 2018, Spring 2018, Fall 2017, Summer 2016

2018-2019: **Adjunct Faculty**, Department of Business and Economics, Baker University, Baldwin, KS

International Trade & Intermediate Macroeconomics

- Fall 2018

Managerial Economics and Principles of Microeconomics

- Spring 2019

2016-Present: **Instructor**, Department of Business, Highland Community College, Wamego, KS

Microeconomics

- Spring 2018, Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Spring 2016, Fall 2016, Summer 2016

Macroeconomics

- Fall 2018, Spring 2018, Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Spring 2016, Fall 2016

Fundamentals of Mathematics

- Fall 2016

2015-2016 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS

2013-2014 Teaching Assistant/ Research Assistant, Western Illinois University, Macomb, IL

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- *The ACUE's Course in Effective Teaching Practices*, Endorsed by The American Council on Education, 2018-2019
- *Good Ideas for Teaching Success*, Kansas State University, Summer 2018
- *GTA Achievement in Professional Development*, Kansas State University, 2016-2017

RESEARCH

Publications in Peer-Review Journals:

- Y.-M. Chang and Sellak, M. (2018), "A game-theoretic analysis of international trade and Political conflict over external territories" *Public Choice*, pp 1-20

Working Papers:

- "Endogenous Security, Optimal Tariffs, and Regional Trade Agreements: Is Trade Regionalism a Double-Edged Sword?" (with Y.-M. Chang) *Under Review*
- "Free Trade Agreements and The Role of Third Party in Interstate Conflict" (with Y.-M. Chang)
- "Trade Regionalism, Most-Favored-Nation Tariffs, and Military Alliance: An Economic Analysis" (with Y.-M. Chang)
- "Government Protection vs. Private Protection in The Presence of Digital Piracy" (with Y.-M. Chang)
- "Strategic Interactions of External Interventions in Interstate Conflicts: An Economic Analysis" (with Y.-M. Chang)

Work in Progress:

- "Endogenous Destruction in Conflicts: A Network-Structure Approach" (with Y.-M. Chang)
- "Why Bilateral Trade Reduces Conflict: The Endogeneity of Security and Trade Policies in a Two-Country Model" (with Y.-M. Chang)
- "Preferential Trade Agreement and Foreign Direct Investment"

GRANTS & AWARDS

- **Graduate Teaching Award** for undergraduate teaching excellence, Department of Economics, Kansas State University, 2018
- **James Ragan Memorial Award, \$1700**
- Awarded for outstanding academic achievement by a Ph.D. student, Department of Economics, Kansas State University, 2018
- Arts and Sciences Graduate Student Research Travel Grant, \$600. Kansas State University, 2018
- Research Travel Grant, \$700. Graduate School, Kansas State University, 2018
- **M. Jarvin Emerson Award, \$1125**
- Awarded to a Ph.D. student for exceptional scholarship and potential for research, Department of Economics, Kansas State University, 2017
- Research Travel Grant, \$900. Department of Economics, Kansas State University, 2017
- Arts and Sciences Graduate Student Research Travel Grant, \$800. Kansas State University, 2017
- Research Travel Grant, \$350. Graduate School, Kansas State University, 2017
- **John Nordin Memorial Award, \$650.**
- Awarded for outstanding in economic theory and qualifying exams, Department of Economics, Kansas state university, 2016

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

- Brownbag Seminars, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS, October 12, 2018
- Presenter
- Southern Economic Association, 88th Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, Nov.18-20, 2018
- Scheduled to Present and be a Discussant
- Western Economic Association, 93rd Annual Conference, Canada, June 26-30, 2018
- Presenter and Discussant
- Midwest Economic Association, 2018 Annual Meeting, Evanston, IL, March 23-25, 2018
- Presenter and Discussant
- Brownbag Seminars, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS, November 9, 2017
- Presenter
- Missouri Valley Economic Association, 54th Annual Conference, Kansas, October 26-28, 2017
- Presenter
- Illinois Economic Association, 47th Annual Meeting, October 13-14, 2017
- Presenter and Discussant
- 29th Game Theory Conference, Stony Brook University, New York, July 17-21, 2017
- Presenter
- Western Economic Association, 92nd Annual Conference, San Diego, CA, June 25-29, 2017
-Presenter

PROFESSIOANL REFEREE SERVICE

- Public Choice
- Managerial Finance

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Economic Association
- Missouri Valley Economic Association
- Midwest Economics Association

COMPUTER SKILLS

- Econometrics Packages:
STATA, R, E-views, S.A.S
- Mathematical Packages:
Mathematica, Scientific Workplace

REFERENCES

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