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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Labour (gender, immigration etc.); Development (education, gender, culture etc.)

EDUCATION

MPhil/PhD in Economics | University College London (UCL), The United Kingdom

09/2023-

· Supervisors: Dr Jonas Hjort and Dr Suphanit Piyapromdee

MRes in Economics with Distinction | University College London (UCL), The United Kingdom

09/2022-09/2023

MSc in Economics with Distinction (Year 1) and Merit (Year 2) I London School of Economics (LSE), The United Kingdom

09/2020-06/2022

Master's in International Public Policy | Osaka School of International Public Policy (OSIPP), Osaka University, Japan

04/2020-09/2023

- Best Master's Thesis Award
- GPA: 4.00/4.00 (out of 20 credits)

LLB I Department of International Public Policy, Osaka University, Japan

04/2015-03/2020

- GPA: 3.90/4.00 (out of 166 credits)
- Study Abroad I National University of Singapore, Singapore (08/2018-05/2019)
- Study Abroad I Seoul National University, South Korea (06/2017-07/2017)

WORK IN PROGRESS

Heterogenous Effectiveness of Education Policies by Gender and Culture

Gendered Impacts of Free Primary Education in Rural Areas: The Roles of Gender Norms and Returns to Education

Dual Impact of Immigration on Labor Supply and Demand in the Service Sector

Socioeconomic Impacts of Firms' CSR Activities

PUBLICATIONS (in Japanese)

Fujisaki, K. (2020). Gaikokujinzai no ukeire ga ukeirekoku rōdōshijō no chingin suijun ni ataeru eikyō: Taiwan ni okeru syūgyōfukumuhō shikō wo shizenjikken toshite [Immigration and Native Wages: Taiwanese 1991 Employment Service Law as A Natural Experiment]. Machikane Hōsei Journal, 10, 4-33.

Fujisaki, K., Kusuda, S., & Loke Z. (2018). *Indonesia ni okeru CSR katsudō ga zaimu pafōmansu ni ataeru eikyō no bunseki* [Corporate Social Responsibility and Financial Performance: Empirical research into the Effect of Mandatory CSR Law in Indonesia]. *Machikane Hōsei Journal, 8, 2-20.*

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

2025 (scheduled): Stockholm University ENTER seminar (Sweden)

2024: PSE-CEPR Policy Forum (France); Osaka University CEPO Lunch Seminar (Japan)

2023: Asian and Australasian Society of Labour Economics 2023 Conference (Taiwan); Stone Centre and UCL Research Day 2023 Poster Session (UK); UCL PhD Seminar (UK)

2022: Osaka University CEPO Lunch Seminar (Japan)

RESEARCH AND WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant to Dr Shuhei Kitamura (Associate Professor of Economics), Osaka University, Osaka, Japan

01-03/2020

Humanitarian Organisation for Migration Economics (HOME), Singapore

01-04/2019

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Indonesia, Jakarta, Indonesia

10/2017-03/2018

LANGUAGES IT KNOWLEDGE

Japanese: Native speaker (C2)

English and Chinese: Fluent (C1 Certified) Stata

Bahasa Indonesia: Working knowledge (B2 Certified) Python

Korean: Basic (A2) LaTeX, MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Academic Research Grant for "Socioeconomic Impacts of Firms' CSR Activities" (approx. 5000 GBP), Mishima Kaiun Memorial Foundation 06/2024

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Best Master's Thesis Award, OSIPP, Osaka University 03/2024

Research Activity Encouragement Award, OSIPP, Osaka University 09/2021

Scholarship for Graduate Study (at UCL), Japan Student Services Organization 09/2022-06/2023, 10/2023-08/2025

Scholarship for Graduate Study (at LSE), ITO Foundation for International Education Exchange 09/2020-06/2021, 09/2021-06/2022

Scholarship for Graduate Study (at OSIPP), Honjo International Scholarship Foundation 04-08/2020, 07-08/2021, 07-09/2022, 07-09/2023

Best Thesis Award, Seiun-kai Law Faculty Thesis Competition 01/2020

The Highest Award, Seiun-kai Law Career Development Competition 01/2020

Academic Acceleration, Department of International Public Policy, Osaka University 04/2019-03/2020

Scholarship for Exchange Programme (at NUS), Gyomu Super Japan Dream Foundation 08/2018-05/2019

Best Thesis Award, Seiun-kai Law Faculty Thesis Competition (with coauthors) 01/2018

The Excellence Award, One Asia Association Thesis Competition 07/2017

Scholarship for Exchange Programme (at SNU), Osaka University and The Association of East Asian Research Universities 06-07/2017

CERTIFICATES

IELTS: Overall 8.0 (C1) 01/2022

HSK 汉语水平考试 (Government-authorised Chinese proficiency test): Grade 5 (C1) with Total 246/300 (80-90th) 05/2019

HIPUBI Ujian Kemampuan Berbahasa Indonesia (Ministry-affiliated Indonesian proficiency exam): Grade C (approx. B2) 07/2019