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Employment

International Monetary Fund, Washington, DC

2023 - Present

Economist Program, Advanced Asia Division, Asia Pacific Department Economist Program, Macro-Financial Division, Research Department

Education

Columbia University, New York, NY

2017 - 2023

Ph.D. in Economics M.Phil. in Economics M.A. in Economics

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

2013 - 2017

B.A. and B.S. in Economics, summa cum laude

Research

- 1. Anticipating Binding Constraints: An Analysis of Financial Covenants. *Journal of Financial Intermediation*, 63, 101160. July 2025.
- 2. Redrawing the Landscape of Cross-border Flow Restrictions: Modern Tools and Historical Perspectives. with Katharina Bergant, Andres Fernandez, and Martín Uribe. July 2025.
- 3. Optimal Interest Rate Tightening with Financial Fragility. with Damien Capelle. April 2025.
- 4. Macroeconomic Attention and Expected Returns. with Eugene Larsen-Hallock. October 2024.
- 5. Covid-19: Testing Inequality in New York City. with Stephanie Schmitt-Grohé and Martín Uribe. Covid Economics, Issue 8, April 2020.

Policy Contributions

- 1. Timor-Leste 2025 Article IV Consultation. July 2025.
- 2. Navigating Trade-Offs between Price and Financial Stability in Times of High Inflation. with Romain Bouis, Damien Capelle, Giovanni Dell'Ariccia, Christopher Erceg, Maria Soledad Martinez Peria, Mouhamadou Sy, Jerome Vandenbussche. IMF Staff Discussion Note No. 2025/003

Previous Experience

Federal Reserve Board, Washington, DC

2022

Dissertation Fellow, Division of Financial Stability

International Monetary Fund, Washington, DC

2019

PhD Summer Intern, European Department

Columbia University, New York, NY

2019 - 2022

Teaching and Research Assistant, Department of Economics

Fellowships, Honors, and Awards

Columbia University, New York, NY	
Angell Fellowship	2023
Dean's and Department Fellowship	2017 - 2022
Wueller Teaching Award (Runner Up)	2022
PER Summer Research Stipend Award	2022
Marion B. Stewart and Marcia E. Glanz Fund Fellowship	2022
PER Data Purchase Grant	2020
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA	
Phi Beta Kappa	2018
Bernard Shanbaum Prize for Excellence in Economics	2017
Rose Undergraduate Research Award	2017
Dean's List	2013 - 2017
Undergraduate Scholarship, Khazanah Foundation	2013 - 2017

Presentations (*presented by co-author)

2025	IFABS Oxford, Midwest Macroeconomics Meeting, CEBRA Annual Meetings, IBEFA*,
	Econometrics Society Summer Meeting*, CEPR-MoFiR Workshop on Banking*,
	NBER Summer Institute*

- 2024 MFA Annual Meetings, 6th Future of Financial Information Conference,Northern Finance Association Meetings, 6th Washington Area International Finance Symposium
- 2023 ITAM, Cornerstone, International Monetary Fund (RESMF)
- 2022 Federal Reserve Board, Midwest Macro Meetings, Philadelphia Fed (Young Scholars Conference on Machine Learning in Economics and Finance)
- 2021 27th International Conference on Computing in Economics and Finance
- 2019 International Monetary Fund

Referee Service

Journal of International Economics, Rapid Reviews: COVID19, European Journal of Health Economics

Personal

Full name: Hong Ken Teoh Citizenship: Malaysian, G-4 visa

Programming languages: Python, Stata, Matlab, R

References

Stephanie Schmitt-Grohé	Martín Uribe	Jesse Schreger
Professor of Economics	Professor of Economics	Class of 1967 Associate Professor
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