

## Chaoran Chen

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### Academic Appointments

2019-present Assistant Professor, York University

2017-2019 Assistant Professor, National University of Singapore

### Education

2011-2017 Ph.D., Economics, University of Toronto  
Committee: Diego Restuccia (supervisor), Xiaodong Zhu, Margarida Duarte

2010-2011 M.A., Economics, University of Toronto

2006-2010 Bachelor of Economics, Fudan University

### Journal Articles

“Untitled Land, Occupational Choice, and Agricultural Productivity,” *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics*, 2017, Vol. 9(4): 91–121.

“Technology Adoption, Capital Deepening, and International Productivity Differences,” *Journal of Development Economics*, 2020, Vol. 143: 102388.

“Capital-Skill Complementarity, Sectoral Labor Productivity, and Structural Transformation,” *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, Vol. 116: 103902.

### Completed Working Papers

“The Effects of Land Markets on Resource Allocation and Agricultural Productivity,”  
February 2021  
(with Diego Restuccia and Raul Santaaulalia-Llopis)

“Health, Health Insurance, and Income Inequality,” November 2020  
(with Zhigang Feng and Jiaying Gu)

“Finance, Endogenous TFP, and Misallocation,” February 2021  
(with Ashique Habib and Xiaodong Zhu)

### Work in Progress

“Agricultural Productivity Growth in Africa” (with Diego Restuccia)

“Mobility Frictions and Misallocation: An Analysis of China's Land Tenure System” (with Tasso Adamopoulos, Loren Brandt, and Diego Restuccia)

## Conference and Invited Seminar Presentations

- 2021 University of Nebraska Omaha (Online), Society of Economic Dynamics (Online, scheduled)
- 2020 Society of Economic Dynamics (Barcelona, rescheduled), Junior VMACS Conference (Online), Texas A&M University (Online)
- 2019 Fudan University (CCES), York University, Peking University (NSE), Tokyo Conference on Economics of Institutions and Organizations, Hiroshima University, Jinan University, 2019 (10th) Shanghai Macroeconomics Workshop (SHUFE), Academia Sinica, Midwest Macro Meeting (Michigan State)
- 2018 University of Queensland, University of Melbourne, China Conference on Growth and Development (Wuhan University), Tsinghua Workshop in Macroeconomics (discussant), World Bank, Peking University (INSE)
- 2017 Bank of Canada, McMaster University, University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, National University of Singapore, Chinese University of Hong Kong, York University, Royal Economic Society (Bristol), Midwest Macro Meeting (Louisiana State University), Econometric Society North American Summer Meeting (Washington University in St. Louis), Society of Economic Dynamics (Edinburgh), Singapore Management University, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, Fudan University
- ≤2016 Northeast Universities Development Consortium Conference (MIT), EconCon (Princeton), Midwest Macro Meeting (Purdue), Canadian Economics Association (University of Ottawa), Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, Canadian Economics Association (Ryerson University), Econometric Society Winter Meeting (CEMFI), Canadian Economics Association (Simon Fraser University)

## Refereeing Experience

American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics, B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics, Canadian Journal of Economics, China Economic Review, Economic Inquiry, Economics Letters, Economics Modelling, European Economic Review, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, Journal of Economic Growth, Journal of European Economic Association, Journal of International Economics, Journal of Monetary Economics, Macroeconomic Dynamics, Regional Science and Urban Studies, Review of Economic Dynamics, World Development

## Awards and Grants

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada,  
Insight Development Grant, \$51,380, 2020–2022  
York University  
Faculty Start-Up Grant, \$20,000, 2019  
National University of Singapore  
Faculty Start-Up Grant, \$40,000, 2017–2019

## Teaching Experience

**Updated: March 2021**

Topics in Macroeconomic Theory (PhD Core Macro I, York, 2019)  
Intermediate Macroeconomics (second-year undergraduate macro, York, 2019, 2020)  
Advanced Macroeconomic Theory (PhD Core Macro II, NUS, 2018, 2019)  
Macroeconomic Analysis III (honour-year undergraduate macro, NUS, 2018, 2019)  
Economic Growth (3<sup>rd</sup>-year undergraduate, U Toronto, 2014, 2015, 2016)

### **Computational Skills**

Matlab, Stata, Fortran 90/95, C