

## David Qihang Wu

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## Employment

2025–	Assistant Professor in Economics, Georgia State University
2024–25	Postdoctoral Fellow, Fairbank Center of Chinese Studies, Harvard University
2024–25	Postdoctoral Research Affiliate, Harvard Kennedy School

## Education

2024	<b>Ph.D.</b> , Economics, UC Berkeley
2017	<b>B.A.</b> , Economics, Peking University
2017	<b>B.S.</b> , Applied Mathematics, Peking University

## Publications

1. Henn, S., Mugaruka, C. M., Ortiz, M., Sánchez de la Sierra, R. & Wu, D. Q. Monopoly of Taxation Without a Monopoly of Violence: The Weak States Trade-offs from Taxation. *Review of Economic Studies* (2024).

## Working papers

1. Marchais, G., Mugaruka, C. M., de la Sierra, R. S. & Wu, D. Q. *Social Origins of Militias: The Extraordinary Rise of “Outraged Citizens”*. Journal of Political Economy, Reject and Resubmit.
2. Wu, D. Q. & Lauletta, M. *What Causes Turnover? Evidence from Manufacturing Firms in an Industrial Park*.
3. Wu, D. Q. & Wang, S. Z. *Search Costs, Belief Formation, and Firm Hiring: Evidence from Ethiopia*.

## Selected Work in Progress

1. Ayalew, S., Ortiz, M. & Wu, D. Q. *Discipline Training*.
2. Barteska, P., Sen, R. & Wu, D. Q. *Bureaucrat-Firm Relationships and the Success of Labor Market Policy*.
3. Grosset-Touba, F. & Wu, D. Q. *Stepping into a Larger World: Industrial Park Jobs, Network Formation, and the Domestic Economy*.

## Grants and Awards

2025	International Growth Center (£100,000, £33,376), Structural Transformation and Economic Growth (£25,000), Weiss Fund (\$68,769), J-PAL GEA Initiative (\$74,752)
2024	International Growth Center (£20,000)
2023	Dissertation Completion Fellowship (\$30,000), ROCCA Dissertation Fellowship (\$10,000), UC Berkeley Summer Travel Grant (\$4,090)
2022	Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, Small Grant from International Growth Center (£19,952), Private Enterprise Development in Low-Income Countries Exploratory Research Grant (£39,801)
2021	Center for Effective Global Action Challenge Grant (\$13,200), ROCCA Pre-dissertation Fellowship (\$6,000), The Weiss Fund (\$11,300), UC Berkeley Summer Travel Grant (\$4,500)
2020	Center for Effective Global Action Challenge Grant (\$10,000), Strandberg Fund at UC Berkeley (\$21,000)
2019	Center for Effective Global Action Travel Grant (\$2,800)

## Teaching

### Georgia State University

2026	Development Economics (Ph.D. and Master)
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### UC Berkeley

2024–25	Graduate Student Instructor, Topics in Economic Research (Undergraduate)
2023	Graduate Student Instructor, Data Science (MBA)
2020–23	Graduate Student Instructor, Microeconomic Theory (Undergraduate)
2020–21	Graduate Student Instructor, Game Theory (Ph.D.)
2019	Graduate Student Instructor, Intermediate Microeconomics (Undergraduate)
2018	Graduate Student Instructor, Introduction to Economics (Undergraduate)

## Other Information

Languages	English (fluent), Cantonese (native), Mandarin (native), Japanese (intermediate), Spanish (basic), French (basic), Amharic (basic)
Citizenship	Chinese

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