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Education

Harvard University	A.M., Ph.D.	1976	Economics
University of New England, Australia	B. Ag. Econ.	1970	Agricultural Econ. (First Class Honors)

Dissertation Chair: Recent Placements

Ernesto Guerra Vallejos. Assistant Professor, Departamento de Economía, Universidad Católica de la Santísima, Concepción, Chile, July 2018-XI.
 Xi Liu, Assistant Professor, School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore, 2017.
 Lei Cheng, Assistant Professor, Economics, Wuhan University, China, July 2016 -
 Obie Porteus, Assistant Professor, Economics, Middlebury College, July 2016 -
 Zhen Sun, Assistant Professor, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China, July 2016 -
 Yang Xie, Assistant Professor, Economics Department, University of California, Riverside, July 2016 -
 Siwei Cao: Assistant Professor, Beijing Normal University, 2015 -
 Yongdong Liu: Assistant Professor, School of Management, University College, London, 2015 -
 Di Zeng, Postdoc, Laurence Berkeley Lab, 2012
 Kyriakos Drivas, Postdoc, ARE, UC Berkeley, 2011
 Zhen Lei, Associate Professor, Penn State University, 2009
 Sara Boettiger, Gates Foundation, 2007

Postdoctoral Advisees: Recent Placements

Di Zeng, Amazon Corporation, 2014-
 Neil Thompson: Assistant Professor, Sloan School, MIT, 2013-
 Kyriakos Drivas: Assistant Professor, University of Piraeus, Greece, 2013-

Books

- Philip L. Martin, Rachael E. Goodhue, and Brian D. Wright, Eds. (2020) *California Agriculture: Dimensions and Issues*, 2nd Edition. Giannini Foundation
- Jean-Paul Chavas, David Hummels, and Brian Wright, Eds. (2014) *The Economics of Food Price Volatility* Chicago and London: National Bureau of Economic Research.
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University Activities

University

Director, Giannini Foundation of Agricultural Economics, 2017-
Giannini Foundation Executive Committee, 2011- 2017

Campus-wide

- University of California, Berkeley, Budget Committee, 2001-2004
- Co-Director, Environmental Science Major in both CNR & L&S, 1996–2002

College and Department

- Vice-Chair, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, 2020 -
- Chair, CNR Student-Faculty Relations Committee, 2014-
- Chair, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, 2010-2013
- Vice-Chair, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, 2007-2010
- Elected Member, Executive Committee, College of Natural Resources, 2005-7

Recent Professional Activities

Expert Witness, *Missouri v. California*, No. 220148 (S. Ct.) 2018/2019, Association of California Egg Producers, represented by Wilmer Hale.

Board Member, Asia-Pacific Innovation Conference, 2019 -

Founding Member, Research Council, JP Morgan Center for Commodities 2014 -

Guest Editor, *Management Science*, 2015

Co-organizer, National Bureau of Economic Research Conference on Food Price Volatility, Seattle, Washington, 2012.

Adviser, AMIS group of the G20 at the FAO, Rome, 2012

Reviewing

Agricultural Economics, The American Journal of Agricultural and Applied Economics, the Australian Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics, Canadian Journal of Economics, Energy Economics, Energy Policy, European Review of Agricultural Economics, Food Policy, European Economic Review, HortScience, International Journal of Technology and Globalization, Journal of Econometrics, Journal of Economic Literature, Journal of Engineering and Technology Management, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Law and Economics, Journal of Plant Biology, Management Science, National Science Foundation, Proceedings of the National Academies of Science, Research Policy, Science, and Weather, Climate and Society.

Honors and Awards

- Publication of Enduring Quality Award (with Jeffrey C. Williams) for *Storage and Commodity Markets*, Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 1991, Agricultural and Applied Economics Association, 2019
- Honorable Mention, Agricultural & Applied Economics Association's Outstanding *Choices* Article Award for "Multiple Peril Crop Insurance," San Francisco, CA, 2015.
- Fellow, Australian Agricultural and Resource Economics Society, 2011
- UC Educational Initiatives Award for Environmental Science Major (Co-director), April 2003
- Fellow, American Agricultural Economics Association, 2002
- Crop Science Society of America's Outstanding Paper on Plant Genetic Resources Award for "Costing the Conservation of Genetic Resources: CIMMYT's Ex Situ Maize and Wheat Collection" 2001
- Frederick V. Waugh Memorial Medal and Lecture, "Dynamic Perspectives on Agricultural Policy Issues." Presented at the American Agricultural Economics Association Annual Meetings, Orlando, FL, August 4, 1993
- Quality of Research Discovery Award (with Jeffrey C. Williams) for *Storage and Commodity Markets*, Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 1991. American Agricultural Economics Association 1992.
- Frank Knox Fellowship, Harvard University, 1970–1974 (one of two awarded annually to Australian students)
- University Medal and Edgar Booth Medal and Prize for best undergraduate record, University of New England, Armidale, Australia, 1970

Presentations and Keynotes: July 2011-

- 11/15/2016 Invited Speaker, World Grain Forum, Sochi, Russia.
- 11/10/2016 International Seminar on Approaches and Methodologies for Food Grain Stock Measurement
Delhi, India
- 8/01/16 Presentation, American Agricultural and Applied Economics Association, Boston, MA
- 4/09/2016 Invited Present, Conference on Commodity Markets: Financialization and Regulation, Princeton
University
- 11/7/2015 Plenary Speaker, Beijing Forum, Peking University, Beijing.
- 6/25/15 Invited lecture, PIPRA Licensing Academy, Law School, UC Davis
- 4/12/2015 Plenary speaker, Conference on Commodity Derivatives Markets: Industrial Organization,
Regulation and Financialization, Villa Finaly, Firenze, July 12, 2015
- 4/1/15 Presentation, Berkeley Bioeconomy Conference, UC Berkeley
- 3/28/15 Commentator, Innovation beyond IP conference, Yale Law School, New Haven, CT
- 3/19/15 Invited Presentation, conference on New Perspectives on Innovation and IP Policy in China, UCSD
- 2/3/15 Chair, ASSA Session on "The 2014 Farm Bill: An Economic Post-Mortem
- 11/5/14 Invited presentation, Agricultural and Resource Economics, U. Católica de Chile
- 7/18/14 Keynote, "Causes and Types of Price Volatility." World Bank Conference
on Price Volatility, Washington, DC

- 8/1/14 Presentation, “The Effects of Corporate Sponsorship on Academic Inventions.” Huffman Seminar, Iowa State University
- 7/21/14 Presentation, “How Biofuels Policies Boosted Grain Staple Prices: A Counterfactual Analysis.” AAEA Conference, Minneapolis MN
- 7/16/14 CCAP Eminent Scholar Seminar 86 “How Biofuels Boosted the Prices of the Staple Grains,” CCAP, Beijing, China
- 7/11/14 Invited presentation, Statistics Department, Renmin University
- 7/8/14 Invited keynote presentation, “Current Research.” Ministry of Science and Technology, Beijing
- 7/7/14 Invited presentation, “Science Parks: Notes for discussion.” Bureau of Statistics, Haidian District, Beijing
- 7/2/14 Keynote speech Representing International Professors, Opening Ceremony, Summer School, Renmin U., China
- 7/1/14 Invited presentation, “How Biofuels Boosted the Prices of the Staple Grains.” Center for Chinese Agricultural Policy, Chinese Academy of Science, Beijing
- 6/25/14 Invited presentation, “Technology Transfer: Empirical progress that identifies key empirical issues.” NSF SciSIP Conference, Institutional of Social Research, Ann Arbor, Michigan
- 6/17/14 Presentation, “How Biofuels Policies Boosted Grain Staple Prices: A Counterfactual Analysis.” Presentation, 37th International Association of Energy Economists, New York, NY.
- 6/5/14 Invited lecture, “Technology Transfer: Industry-Funded Academic Inventions Boost Innovation.” PIPRA Licensing Academy, Law School, UC Davis
- 3/28/14 Invited Commentator, Innovation Beyond IP conference, Yale Law School, New Haven, CT
- 3/27/14 Invited presentation, Conference on Food Security and Low productivity in Latin America, Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico
- 3/10/14 Presentation, CLEANR Conference on Genetically Modified: Food Security, Health, and the Environment, UC Riverside
- 3/10/14 Presentation, CLEANR Conference on Genetically Modified: Food Security, Health, and the Environment, UC Riverside
- 12/5/13 Invited presentation, Departamento de Economia, Universidad de Concepción, Chile
- 11/11/13 Keynote, “Innovation, IP and Public Policy in China: Windows on a changing world.” MEIDE 7 Conference, Universidad Adolfo Ibanez, Santiago, Chile
- 10/25/13 Presentation, NBER conference on the Economics of Commodity Markets, Cambridge, MA
- 10/17/13 Invited presentation, Agricultural and Resource Economics, U. Católica de Chile
- 9/4/13 Presentation, Session Chair, EPIP 2013: The Frontiers of IP, Telecom ParisTech, Paris, France
- 7/15/13 Presentation, ICABR Conference, Ravello, Italy
- 6/19/13 Invited presentation, Robert Evenson Memorial, 17th ICABR Conference, Ravello, Italy
- 6/4/13 5th Annual ZEW Conference on the Economics of Innovation and Patenting, Mannheim, Germany
- 5/22/13 Plenary address, IPC Seminar on Achieving Food Security in Volatile Times, Washington, DC
- 4/29/13 Invited Presentation, Chatham House Conference on Global Food Insecurity and Implications for Saudi Arabia
- 3/12/13 Invited presentation, UC Berkeley/USPTO/Tsinghua IP Conference, Beijing
- 1/9/13 Invited presentation, GWU/Fordham Conference on China's Patent Regime, Dolly Madison House, Washington, DC

- 12/13/12 USPTO Overview of China Project
- 10/14/12 Plenary presentation, Asia-Pacific Innovation Conference, Seoul National University, South Korea
- 10/11/12 Invited presentation, University of Hawaii Conference on Risk, Resources, Government and Development
- 10/3/12 Invited presentation, G-20 AMIS Group, conference, FAO, Rome
- 9/12/12 Invited presentation, Capital Group Academic Presentation Series, Los Angeles, CA
- 8/14/12 AARES-AAEA Symposium: Global Food Security II: Food Price Fluctuations and their Food Security Implications, Seattle, Washington
- 8/15/12 Invited presentation, NBER Conference on Economics of Food Price Volatility, Seattle, Washington
- 3/15/12 Presentation, NC1034 conference on the Future of Agricultural Research, USDA NIFA, Washington, DC
- 11/12/11 Invited presentation, Chatham House workshop on Managing Resources Futures, London
- 11/7/11 Review Panel Bonn Excellence Initiative
- 10/1/11 Panelist, Conference on Innovation and Patent Harmonization: Does One Size Fit All? BU School of Law, Boston MA
- 8/26/11 Invited presentation, CFTC Conference on Commodity Markets, CFTC Conference Center, Washington DC
- 7/5/11 Invited presentation, Econometric Society Australasian Meeting, Adelaide, Australia