Qitong Wang

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RESEARCH FIELDS

Macroeconomics, Macro-Finance, Urban Economics

EDUCATION

- University of Southern California Ph.D in Economics
- Tufts University Master in Economics
- Renmin University of China Bachelor in Economics

WORKING PAPERS

- 1. **The Zero-Beta Interest Rate** (with Sebastian Di Tella, Benjamin Hébert, and Pablo Kurlat) Revise and Resubmit at **Journal of Political Economy**
- 2. Abandoned by Coal, Swallowed by Opioids? (with Gilbert E. Metcalf) NBER Working Paper No. 26551

WORK IN PROGRESS

1. Network, Entrepreneurship and Industrial Policy (Job Market Paper)

Abstract: I study the effect of firm subsidy program during economic crisis in a dynamic general equilibrium model with production network, firm dynamics, and financial friction. Financial friction distorts intratemporal resource allocation and intertemporal supply of capital. Quantitatively, the recent subsidy program during Covid-19 increases aggregate consumption and speeds up recovery by alleviating these distortions. While redesigned subsidy programs yield limited improvements in aggregate outcomes due to the magnitude of the COVID-19 shock, they produce significant distributional effects across sectors.

- 2. Monetary Policy Tightening and Housing Market Frictions (with Emiliano Harris, Amine Ouazad, and Romain Ranciere)
- 3. Markup, Technological Competition, and Stock Returns
- 4. What Happens After Covenant Violation?

ACADEMIC WORK, EXPERIENCE & SERVICE

Teaching Assistant, University of Southern California	
 Ph.D Microeconomics I 	Fall 2020, 2021
 Undergrad Money, Credit, and Banking 	Spring 2024
 Undergrad International Economics 	Spring 2021
 Undergrad Financial Economics 	Spring 2021
Research Assistant, University of Southern California	
• Romain Ranciere	Fall 2023
• David Zeke	Spring 2023
 Pablo Kurlat 	Fall 2022

HONORS & AWARDS

Summer Research Fellowship, University of Southern California	2022, 2023, 2024
Graduate Fellowship, University of Southern California	2019
• The Linda Datcher Loury Award in Economics, Tufts University	2019
• Summer Fellowship, Tufts University	2018

2019 - 2025 (Expected) Los Angeles, USA 2017-2019 Medford, USA 2013-2017 Beijing, China

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Skills: Julia, Python, Matlab, Stata, R **Language:** Madarin (Native), English (Fluent)

REFERENCES

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