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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Candidate in Economics

2023-present

The Graduate School of Economics, The University of Tokyo

MA in Economics

2023

The Graduate School of Economics, The University of Tokyo

BA in Economics

2022

The Faculty of Economics, The University of Tokyo

Visiting Student

2023/8-2023/9

University of Colorado Boulder

FIELDS OF INTEREST

International Economics (Trade Theory & FDI Theory)

PRESENTATIONS

[IEFS Japan Annual Meeting 2022 \(March 25, 2023\)](#)

[Microeconomic Workshop in the University of Tokyo \(January 17, 2023\)](#)

MASTER'S THESIS

“Commitment problem of the government and the effect of investment agreements in the Melitz model”

This thesis examines the impact of investment agreements. By extending the Melitz model to account for commitment problems that arise when governments impose regulations on foreign investors, the theoretical analysis reveals the potential benefits of these agreements. Specifically, the investment agreement, which prevents governments from raising barriers against foreign firms after the initial announcement, can enhance a country's welfare regardless of the agreement's effect on the foreign partner's policy.

GRADUATION THESIS

“Determination of tariffs and investment barriers by the government in the presence of exports and FDI” (written in Japanese)

This thesis refines the framework Helpman, Melitz, and Yeaple (2004) established by introducing a government that enforces tariffs and barriers against FDI. In this model, implementing tariffs can potentially boost global welfare (not just the country's welfare) by prompting certain exporting firms to transition to local production, thereby enhancing production efficiency by circumventing transportation costs. Conversely, levying "FDI taxes" monotonically reduces global welfare. Despite this, governments are incentivized to impose such taxes as a beggar-thy-neighbor policy, and therefore, the investment agreement can improve worldwide welfare.

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant

Professor Tomohiko Inui, Gakushuin University, *2024-present*
and Assistant Professor Takafumi Kawakubo, Osaka University

Professor Taiji Furusawa, The University of Tokyo *2023-present*

Project Assistant Professor Daisuke Fujii, The University of Tokyo *2022*

Teaching Assistant

Visiting Professor Ryo Kato, The University of Tokyo *2024-present*

Graduate Level Course in English

- ◆ Mathematics for Public Policy (Autumn 2024)

Associate Professor Akira Ogawa, International Christian University *2023-present*

Undergraduate Level Courses in Japanese

- ◆ Intermediate Microeconomics I (Winter 2024)
- ◆ Comparative Economic Theories (Autumn 2024)
- ◆ Intermediate Microeconomics II (Spring 2024)
- ◆ Principles of Microeconomics (Winter 2023)
- ◆ Game Theory (Spring 2023)

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Nakajima Foundation Scholarship for Ph.D. Studies Abroad *2025—2027*

JPY 300,000 (appx. USD 2,000) per month for 2 years as a stipend

Extension up to the fifth year with approval

Full tuition covers for two years up to JPY 3,000,000 (appx. USD 20,000)

Round-trip ticket

HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND GRANTS

JSPS Research Fellow DC1	<i>2023-present</i>
¥200,000 per month, for 3 years	
The University of Tokyo (Funded by JSPS)	
World-leading Innovative Graduate Study of Advanced Economics	<i>2022-2023</i>
¥70,000 per month, for 1 year	
Accelerated Master's Degree Program, The University of Tokyo	
Specially Selected Graduation Thesis	<i>2022</i>
The University of Tokyo	

OTHERS

Citizenship: Japan

Gender: Male

Language: Japanese (Native), English (Fluent)

Programming: R, Python, Stata, MATLAB, Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)