Qingyin Cai

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EDUCATION

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Ph.D. in Applied Economics

Minnesota, United States Sept. 2020 - Present

Zhejiang University

M.A. in Social Security

Sept. 2017 - June 2020

Zhejiang University

B.A. in Labor Economics & Social Security

Zhejiang, China

Zhejiang, China

Sept. 2013 - June 2017

Research Fields

Food & Agricultural Economics, Agribusiness, Empirical IO, and Environmental Economics

Peer-reviewed publications

Cai, Qingyin, Yulian Ding, Calum Turvey, and Yuehua Zhang. (2021). "The influence of past experience on farmers' preferences for hog insurance products: a natural experiment and choice experiment in China." The Geneva Papers on Risk and Insurance- Issues and Practice, 46, 399-421.

Working Papers

Cai, Qingyin, Metin Çakır, and Timothy Beatty. "Drought and Fresh Produce Production in California." (Job Market Paper)

Cai, Qingyin, Metin Çakır, and Megan Sweitzer. "Does the Recent Food Price Inflation Differ by Store Format?" Çakır, Metin, Timothy Beatty, Qingyin Cai, and Timothy Park. "California Drought, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Prices, and Consumer Welfare."

Cai, Qingyin and Qingxiao Li. "Emotional Shocks and Consumer Spending."

Rao, Xudong, **Qingyin Cai**, and Yuehua Zhang. "Moral Hazard in Agricultural Insurance: Evidence from Mandatory Sow Insurance Program in China." *R&R at Australian Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics*

Cai, Qingyin, Wen You, and Yuehua Zhang. "How Importance is Junior High School Education Early in Life to Cognitive Outcomes of Elderlies: Evidence from A Quasi-Experiment in China." under review

Work in progress

Cai, Qingyin and Metin Çakır. "Extreme Weather Events and Farm Consolidation in the United States."

Cai, Qingyin, Wen Lin, and Yuehua Zhang. "Societal Preferences for Donation to Rare Diseases: A Discrete Choice Experiment."

Research experience

Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Research Assistant for Dr. Metin Cakir

Minnesota, United States

June 2021 - Present

Dyson School of Applied Economics & Management, Cornell University Research Assistant for Dr. Calum Turvey

New York, United States April 2018 - Sept. 2018

National Health Commission

Beijing, China

Research Intern

July 2017 - Oct. 2017

Department of Social Security and Risk Management, Zhejiang University

Research Assistant for Dr. Yuehua Zhang

Zhejiang, China Sept. 2016 - June 2020

TEACHING AND MENTORING EXPERIENCE

Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities Guest Lecturer, Applied Consumer Theory (Graduate level)	Minnesota, United States 2024 Fall
Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities Student Mentor for Incoming Ph.D. Student	Minnesota, United States 2022-2024
Institution Commercial Development International Business School Guest instructor, Welfare Economics (Graduate level)	Shanghai, China 2020 Spring
Department of Social Security and Risk Management, Zhejiang University Teaching Assistant, Field Survey and Questionnaire Design (Graduate level)	Zhejiang, China 2019 Spring
Department of Social Security and Risk Management, Zhejiang University Teaching Assistant, Insurance Economics (Undergraduate level)	Zhejiang, China 2018 Fall
Department of Social Security and Risk Management, Zhejiang University Teaching Assistant, Social Insurance (Undergraduate level)	Zhejiang, China 2017 Fall, 2020 Spring
Honors and awards	
Jason Beddow Second-Year Paper Award Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities	2022
Sam Chung Hsieh and Alice Yen-Hee Hsieh Fellowship Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities	2020
Chinese National Scholarship Ministry of Education of China	2018
Best Undergraduate Thesis Award Zhejiang University	2017
Outstanding Graduates of Zhejiang Province Department of Education of Zhejiang Province	2017
Outstanding Student Leader Award Zhejiang University	2015, 2016
Scholarship for Outstanding Merits & Students Zhejiang University	2014, 2015, 2016

Conference Presentations

2025: AEA Allied Social Science Associations Annual Meeting (scheduled)

2024: APEC Student Seminar (scheduled), Agricultural and Applied Economics Association Annual Meeting (New Orleans, LA), Canadian Agricultural Economics Society Annual Meeting (Winnipeg, Canada)

2023: Agricultural and Applied Economics Association Annual Meeting (Washington, DC)

2022: Agricultural and Applied Economics Association Annual Meeting (Anaheim, CA), Food Group seminar (University of Minnesota)

2021: The 31st International Conference of Agricultural Economists (Virtual)

2019: SCC-76 "Economics and Management of Risks in Agriculture and Natural Resources" Annual Meeting (Kansas City, MO)

2017: The 9th CAER-IFPRI Annual International Conference (Beijing, China)

Grants

Travel Grant (\$4,200) 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024

Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Travel Grant (\$1,000)

The Center for International Food and Agricultural Policy

Professional Service

Referee for American Journal of Agricultural Economics, Food Security, Canadian Journal of Agricultural Economics/Revue canadienne d'agroeconomie

Grant reviewer for the Council of Graduate Students at the University of Minnesota

EXTENSION AND OUTREACH

Field Survey on Cultivated Land Quality Evaluation

Zhoukou, China

Interviewer

2019

Field Survey on Poverty Alleviation

Diqing, China

Interviewer

2018

Field Survey on Swine Farming Industry

Jiyuan, China

Organizer and enumerator

2017-2019

Professional Affiliation

Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA), American Economic Association (AEA), Canadian Agricultural Economics Society (CAES), China Economic Society (CES)

SKILLS

Stata, R, MATLAB, Python, ArcGIS, Quarto, and \LaTeX

LANGUAGES

English (fluent), Mandarin (native), Hokkien (native)

References

Dr. Metin Çakır

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