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RESEARCH INTERESTS	Labor economics, corporate governance, applied microeconomics	
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WORKING PAPERS	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Lu, D. "China's Selective Two-Child Policy and Its Impact on the Marriage Market" <p>This paper analyzes the effects of China's selective two-child policy (TCP) in the 1990s (both parents are only children) on the marriage market. Using a diff-in-diff (DiD) design in a subhazard model with competing risks, the results show that the subhazard ratio of marrying a <i>Han Chinese and only child</i> is 355.06% higher when competing with a <i>Han Chinese with siblings</i> or an ethnic minority. A positive and significant fertility effect under the selective TCP further implies that the fertility preference is binding under the one-child policy (OCP).</p>2. Lu, D., and Bao, Y. "Board Gender Diversity and Firm Performance: Evidence from Chinese Firms" <p>This paper exploits a unique historical episode to study the effect of board gender diversity on firm performance using Chinese listed firms. Our identification is based on the differential effect of the education system disruption during China's <i>Cultural Revolution</i> and the subsequent resumption of national college entrance exam on the supply of male and female directors. We employ the evidence that females were more affected during that time and build an instrument variable to identify a positive causal effect of board diversity on firm performance. Moreover, we find evidence that only more than two females in the board can affect corporate decision-making, supporting the critical mass theory.</p>	
CONFERENCES	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Annual Meeting of the German Economic Association (Verein fuer Socialpolitik), Freiburg, Germany Sep 2018• European Society for Population Economics, Antwerp, Belgium Jun 2018• China Meeting of the Econometric Society, Shanghai, China Jun 2018• Global Young Scholars Conference by FDDI, Shanghai, China May 2018	

TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<p>Tutorials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced Econometrics (Master) • Fundamentals of Labor Economics (Bachelor) • Fundamentals of International Economics (Master) • Introduction to Econometrics (Bachelor) <p>Seminars</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Empirics of Trade Policy Analysis (Master) 	<p>Winter 2016 – Summer 2017 – Winter 2016 Summer 2017</p> <p>Winter 2016</p>
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