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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Wilfrid Laurier University, July 2016-present

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Wilfrid Laurier University, July 2012-June 2016

Lecturer, Research School of Economics, Australian National University, July 2008-June 2012

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, University of Toronto, 2009
Fields: Economic Development, International Trade, Econometrics

M.A. in Economics, University of Guelph, 2003

B.A. with honours in Economics, McMaster University, 2002

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Centre for Development Economics and Sustainability, Monash University, Affiliate, 2016-present

PUBLICATIONS IN JOURNALS AND EDITED BOOK VOLUMES

D. Benjamin, L. Brandt, **McCaig, B.**, Nguyen L.-H., 2016, "Program participation in a targeted land distributions program and household outcomes: Evidence from Vietnam," accepted *Review of Economics of the Household*.

B. Benjamin, L. Brandt, **McCaig, B.**, 2017, "Growth with equity: Income inequality in Vietnam, 2002-2014," *Journal of Economic Inequality*, Vol. 15, No. 1, pp. 25-46.

McCaig, B., N. Pavcnik, 2017, "Moving out of agriculture: Structural change in Vietnam," In Margaret McMillan, Dani Rodri, and Claudia Paz Sepulveda (Eds.) Structural change, fundamentals, and growth: A framework and case studies (pp. 81-124). Washington, D.C.: International Food Policy Research Institute.

McCaig, B., M. McMillan, I. Verduzco-Gallo, and K. Jefferis, 2017, "Stuck in the middle? Structural change and productivity growth in Botswana," In Margaret McMillan, Dani Rodri, and Claudia Paz Sepulveda (Eds.) Structural change, fundamentals, and growth: A framework and case studies (pp. 81-124). Washington, D.C.: International Food Policy Research Institute.

McCaig, B., N. Pavcnik, 2015, "Informal employment in a growing and globalizing low-income country," *American Economic Review: Papers and Proceedings*, Vol. 105, No. 5, pp. 545-50.

McCaig, B., 2011, "Exporting out of poverty: Provincial poverty in Vietnam and U.S. market access," *Journal of International Economics*, Vol. 85, No. 1, pp. 102-113.

McCaig, B., A. Yatchew, 2007, "International welfare comparisons and nonparametric testing of multivariate stochastic dominance," *Journal of Applied Econometrics*, Vol. 22, No. 5, p. 951-969.

McCaig, B., T. Stengos, 2005, "Financial intermediation and growth: Some robustness results," *Economics Letters*, Vol. 88, No. 3, p. 306-312.

WORKING PAPERS AND WORK IN PROGRESS

McCaig, B., N. Pavcnik, 2014, "Export markets and labor allocation in a low-income country," NBER Working Paper No. 20455, revision resubmitted, *American Economic Review*.

McCaig, B., J. Nanowski, 2015, "Household business formalization in Vietnam."

McCaig, B., N. Pavcnik, 2014, "Export markets and household business performance: Evidence from Vietnam."

McCaig, B., N. Pavcnik, and W. F. Wong, 2015, "New export opportunities and firm performance in the presence of a large state sector."

McCaig, B., N. Pavcnik, and N. Wu, 2016, “Foreign direct investment and schooling: Evidence from Vietnam.”

McCaig, B., N. Pavcnik, 2016, “Out with the old and unproductive, in with the new and similarly unproductive: Microenterprise dynamics in a growing low-income country.”

McCaig, B., M. McMillan, I. Verduzco-Galla, “Trade liberalization and structural change in Botswana: Evidence from an unusual experiment.”

BOOK REVIEWS

Review of The impact of macroeconomic policies on poverty and income distribution: Macro-micro evaluation techniques and tools by Francois Bourguignon, Maurizio Bussolo and Luiz A. Pereira da Silva (eds.) *Economic Record*, Vol. 85, No. 271, pp. 490-91.

AWARDS AND GRANTS (since 2012)

2017: Laurier Centre for Economic Research and Policy Analysis, Wilfrid Laurier University

2016: Laurier Centre for Economic Research and Policy Analysis, Wilfrid Laurier University

2015: Laurier Centre for Economic Research and Policy Analysis, Wilfrid Laurier University

2014: Laurier Centre for Economic Research and Policy Analysis, Wilfrid Laurier University

School of Business and Economics, Wilfrid Laurier University

Freure Award, Department of Economics, Wilfrid Laurier University

“Structural change, international trade, and labor markets in a low-income country: Evidence from Vietnam,” Undergraduate Research Assistantship, Wilfrid Laurier University, \$6,000 CAD

2013: “Structural change, international trade, and labor markets in a low-income country: Evidence from Vietnam”, Growth and Labour Markets in Low Income Countries Programme, IZA-DFID, with Nina Pavcnik, €220,000

“Trade liberalization, employment, productivity, and diversification: Evidence from an unusual experiment,” Undergraduate Research Assistantship, Wilfrid Laurier University, \$6,000 CAD

2012: “International trade and informality: Evidence from Vietnam,” Short Term Research Grant, Wilfrid Laurier University, \$5,000 CAD

“International trade and informality: Evidence from Vietnam,” with Nina Pavcnik, ILAB/OTLA 2012 Contract Research Program, U.S. Department of Labor, \$64,000 USD

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

June 2017: Visiting researcher, Trade and International Integration, Development Research Group, World Bank

June 2007: Visiting researcher, Center for Agricultural Policy, Institute of Policy and Strategy for Agriculture and Rural Development, Hanoi, Vietnam

Summer 2006: Visiting researcher, Centre for Analysis and Forecasting, Vietnamese Academy of Social Sciences, Hanoi, Vietnam

CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS (since 2012)

“Out with the old and unproductive, in with the new and similarly unproductive: Microenterprise dynamics in a growing low-income country.”

University of Sao Paulo, July 2016

50th Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association, June 2016

McMaster University, March 2016

“Informal employment in a growing and globalizing low-income country”

Allied Social Sciences Associations meeting, January 2015

“Export Markets and Household Business Performance: Evidence from Vietnam”

Rocky Mountain Empirical Trade Conference, May 2016

Midwest International Trade Meetings, April 2016

Northeast Universities Development Consortium Conference, November 2014

“Structural change, international trade, and labor markets in a low-income country: Evidence from Vietnam”

GLM-LIC Researchers Meeting, June 2014

GLM-LIC Researchers Meeting, August 2013

“Moving out of agriculture: Structural change in Vietnam”

Wilfrid Laurier University, October 2013

“Export Markets and Labor Allocation in a Low-Income Country”

World Bank, March 2017

University of Guelph, February 2017

IMF Workshop on Macroeconomic Policy and Income Inequality, February 2017

2nd IZA/DFID GLM-LIC Research Conference on New Research on Labor Markets in Low-Income Countries, September 2016

Rimini Conference in Economics and Finance, September 2016

Workshop on Trade and Labor Market in Developing Countries, July 2016

8th Vietnam Economists Annual Meeting, June 2015

9th IZA/World Bank Conference on Employment and Development, June 2014

48th Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association, May 2014

OECD Development Centre, December 2013

Research in Economic Development Meetings, October 2013

Midwest International Economics Group, April 2013

University of Toronto, November 2012

Summer Workshop in International Economics and Finance, Brandeis University, July 2012

University of New South Wales, May 2012

Empirical Investigations in Trade and Investment, March 2012

Australasian Trade Workshop, March 2012

McMaster University, January 2012

Wilfrid Laurier University, January 2012

Williams College, January 2012

“The evolution of income inequality in Vietnam, 1993 to 2006”

OECD Development Centre, December 2013

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Co-organizer (with Duc Anh Dang) of Economic Workshop in Vietnam, the Australian National University, July 2012

Co-organizer (with Martin Richardson) of Australasian Trade Workshop, the Australian National University, March 2010

Co-organizer (with Ha Trong) of Economic Workshop on Vietnam, the Australian National University, March 2010

Co-organizer (with Yuji Tamura) of Economic Workshop on Vietnam, the Australian National University, February 2009

REFeree (since 2012)

Academic Journals

- 2017 The B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics, Journal of International Economics, Oxford Economic Papers, Review of International Economics
- 2016 The B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, Environmental and Resource Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of International Economics, Review of Development Economics, World Development
- 2015 Empirical Economics, Economica, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic Surveys, Journal of International Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, SpringerPlus
- 2014 Asian Development Review, Journal of African Economies, Journal of International Economics, Regional Science and Urban Economics
- 2013 Asian Development Review, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Development Studies, Journal of International Trade & Economic Development, Review of Economics and Statistics
- 2012 Canadian Journal of Economics, Journal of Development Studies, World Bank Policy Research Working Paper, World Development

Grant Applications

- 2014 National Science Foundation, Growth and Labour Markets in Low Income Countries Programme

Other

- 2014 Mekong Economic Research Network