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## Academic Positions

Kyoto University, Division of Natural Resource Economics, Graduate School of Agriculture  
Assistant Professor, 2020–Present.

## Education

Ph.D. Economics, Brown University, 2020.

Dissertation Title: “Household Decision Making in Zambia: Consumption, Technology Adoption, and Marriage”.

Committee: Andrew Foster (Chair), Stelios Michalopoulos, Bryce Steinberg.

M.A. Economics, Brown University, 2014.

M.A. Economics, Hitotsubashi University, 2011.

B.A. Social Sciences, Hitotsubashi University, 2009.

## Research Interests

Development Economics, Applied Microeconomics

## Refereed Publications

“Incomplete Information Sharing within the Household: Evidence from Participation in Agricultural Training in Zambia” (with Yoko Kijima and Takeshi Sakurai). *Japanese Journal of Agricultural Economics*, 2021, 23.

“Shock and Livestock Transactions in Rural Zambia: a Re-examination of the Buffer Stock Hypothesis” (with Hiromitsu Kanno and Takeshi Sakurai). *Japanese Journal of Rural Economics*, 2012, 14: 20-34.

“Who Purchases Weather Index Insurance?: Results from a Field Experiment in Rural Zambia” (with Takeshi Sakurai). *Journal of Rural Economics*, 2012, 84(5): 442-449. (in Japanese)

“Vulnerability and Resilience of Households -The Case of Zambia-” (with Takeshi Sakurai, Akiko Nasuda, Akinori Kitsuki, Taro Yamauchi, and Hiromitsu Kanno). *Economic Review (Keizai Kenkyu)*, 2011, 62(2): 166-187. (in Japanese)

## Working Papers

“Intrahousehold Bargaining and Agricultural Technology Adoption: Experimental Evidence from Zambia” (with Yoko Kijima and Takeshi Sakurai). 2020. GRIPS Discussion Paper 20-01.

“The Impact of Formal Insurance Provision on Farmer Behavior: Evidence from Rural Zambia” (with Takeshi Sakurai). 2015. PRIMCED Discussion Paper 67. Hitotsubashi University.

“The Effectiveness of Community-Based Development in Poverty Reduction: A Descriptive Analysis of a Women-Managed NGO in Rural Pakistan” (with Hidayat Ullah Khan and Takashi Kurosaki). 2011. PRIMCED Discussion Paper 13. Hitotsubashi University.

## Other Publications

“Foreign Direct Investment by Japanese Food-related Firms in Thailand” (with Takeshi Sakurai). 2011. Empirical Analyses of the Impact of Intra-industry and Development Import on Japanese Agriculture, Project Report, Policy Research Institute, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries. (in Japanese)

## Ongoing Research

“News from the Sky: An Empirical Test of Forward-looking Behavior among Zambian Farmers”

“Does Our President Make Me Attractive?: Evidence from the Marriage Market, Zambia”

“Witchcraft and Informal Risk Sharing: The Case of Rural Zambia” (with Seiichi Hasegawa)

## Research Grants

2020-2025 JSPS KAKENHI No. 20H00440 (PI: Chieko Umetsu)

2020-2023 JSPS KAKENHI No. 20K22119

2020-2022 Murata Science Foundation

2020-2021 Sasakawa Scientific Research Grant, the Japan Science Society

2016-2018 Hitotsubashi University

2015-2016 Murata Science Foundation

2012-2013 JSPS KAKENHI No. 12J06135

## Honors and Awards

2019-2020 Funai Overseas Scholarship

2013-2018 Nakajima Foundation Scholarship

2013 Best Journal Article Award, Agricultural Economics Society of Japan.

2012 Best Poster Award, Agricultural Economics Society of Japan Annual Meeting.

2012-2013 JSPS Fellows (DC2), Japan Society for the Promotion of Science.

2011-2012 COE Research Fellow, Hitotsubashi University.

2011 Student Loan Repayment Exemption, Japanese Student Services Organization.

## Editorial Service

Associate Editor, *Journal of Rural Problems*, 2021–Present.

Referee for *Journal of Development Economics*, *Japanese Journal of Agricultural Economics*, *Journal of Rural Economics*, *Journal of Rural Problems*.

## Invited Presentations

2020 University of Göttingen, Young JADE conference, Kyoto University, Japanese Economic Association Annual Meeting, Agricultural Economics Society of Japan Annual Meeting\*, CSAE Conference\*.

\*: canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

2019 Zambia Agricultural Research Institute, IDE-JETRO, Agricultural Economics Society of Japan Annual Meeting, TEA seminar.

2018 Hitotsubashi University.

2017 NEUDC, Hitotsubashi University, the University of Tokyo.

2015 Hitotsubashi University.

2012 Asian Historical Economics Conference, Agricultural Economics Society of Japan Annual Meeting.

2011 Research Institute for Humanity and Nature, Agricultural Economics Society of Japan Annual Meeting.

## Teaching

### *Kyoto University*

Econometrics for Agricultural Economics I (Graduate): Spring 2020

Econometrics for Agricultural Economics II (Graduate): Fall 2020

Empirical Methods for Applied Microeconomics (Undergraduate): Spring 2021 (scheduled)

Introduction to Empirical Analysis (Undergraduate): 2020

### *Brown University*

Environment issues in Development Economics: Spring 2019, teaching assistant for Andrew Foster.

Health, Hunger and the Household in Developing Countries: Fall 2019, teaching assistant for Andrew Foster.

Making Informed Financial Decisions in Today's World Economy (pre-college): Summer 2017, teaching assistant for Natalie Webb.

*Hitotsubashi University*

Econometric Analysis: Spring 2010, teaching assistant for Shunichiro Bessho

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