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Current position

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Previous positions

Lecturer, Nagoya City University 1994-1997

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Education

B.A. (Economics) University of Tokyo 1987

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Publications (in English)

1. "A cohort analysis of male labor supply in Japan," *Journal of the Japanese and International Economies* forthcoming, doi:10.1016/j.jjie.2011.08.002 (2011)
2. "Minimum Wages and Employment in Japan," *Japan Labor Review* 8(2), pp. 42-54 (2011)
3. "Family labor supply, commuting time, and residential decisions: The case of the Tokyo Metropolitan Area," *Journal of Housing Economics* 20, pp. 49-63 (2011)
4. "The Equal Employment Opportunity Law and labor force behavior of women in Japan," *Journal of the Japanese and International Economies* 25, pp.39-55 (2011)
5. "Regional patterns of employment changes of less-educated men in Japan: 1990–2007," *Japan and the World Economy* 22, pp. 69-79, co-authored with Keiko Tamada (2010)
6. "Equal Employment Opportunity Law and the gender wage gap in Japan: A cohort analysis," *Journal of Asian Economics* 21, pp. 142–155 (2010)
7. "The 1.03 million yen ceiling and earnings inequality among married women in

- Japan,” *Economics Bulletin*, Vol. 29 no.2 pp. 1521-1530, co-authored with Akiko S. Oishi (2009)
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 9. “The role of married women’s labor supply on family earnings distribution in Japan,” *Journal of Income Distribution* 16, pp.110-127, co-authored with Akiko S. Oishi (2007)
 10. “The effectiveness of financial incentives in controlling the health care expenditures of seniors,” *Japan and the World Economy* 19, pp.461-482 (2007)
 11. “Fringe Benefit Provision for Female Part-time Workers in Japan,” in *Labor Markets and Firm Benefit Policies in Japan and the United States* Seiritsu Ogura, Toshiaki Tachibanaki, and David Wise eds. The University of Chicago Press, pp.339-370 (2003)
 12. “Universities and the entry-level job market: Evidence from Japanese panel data,” *Labour Economics*, 9, pp. 699-715 (2002)
 13. “Employees’ Pension Benefits and the Labor Supply of Older Japanese Workers, 1980s-1990s,” *Aging Issues in the United States and Japan*,” Seiritsu Ogura, Toshiaki Tachibanaki and David Wise eds. The University of Chicago Press, pp.273-305 (2001)
 14. “A Comparison of wage structures in the United States and Japan: Results from Cell Mean Regressions,” *Japanese Economic Review*, Vol.51 No.2, pp.252-267 (2000)
 15. “The Effects of Income Tax and Social Security on the Part-time Labor Supply in Japan,” *Review of Social Policy*, No. 6, pp. 45-64, co-authored with Fumio Ohtake (1997)
 16. “Chief Executive Turnover and Firm Performance in Japan,” *Journal of the Japanese and International Economies* 11, pp.2-26 (1997)
 17. “Specific Capital, Adverse Selection and Turnover: A Comparison of the United States and Japan,” *Journal of the Japanese and International Economies* 8, pp.272-292 (1994)

Referees

American Economic Review, Contemporary Economic Policy, Economics Bulletin, International Economic Review, Japanese Economic Review, Journal of the Japanese and International Economies, Journal of Asian Economics, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Urban Economics

Committee Service

Member, Statistics Commission, Cabinet Office of Japan, 2009-present