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RESEARCH FIELDS

Industrial Organization, Regulation, Environmental Economics

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor (with tenure), Department of Economics, Ohio State University,
August 2023 - present

Past positions:

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Ohio State University,
July 2022 - July 2023

Assistant Professor, Business Economics and Public Policy Department, Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania,
July 2013 - June 2022

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Economics, Northwestern University, June 2013
M.A. Economics, Northwestern University, December 2009
M.Sc. Math Econ and Econometrics, Toulouse School of Economics, France, June 2007
B.SocSci. Economics, National University of Singapore, Singapore, June 2006

PUBLICATIONS

1. Abito, J. M., F. Golfin, A. J. Hinchberger, A. van Benthem, G. Vasey (2025) "Designing More Cost-effective Trading Markets for Renewable Energy," *Energy Journal*, 46:4, 227-252.
2. Abito, J. M., J. S. Han, J.-F. Houde, and A. van Benthem (2024), "Agency Frictions and Procurement: New Evidence from U.S. Electricity Restructuring," *Journal of Industrial Economics*, 72:1, 20-48.
3. Abito, J. M. and C. Chen (2023), "A Partial Identification Framework for Dynamic Games," *International Journal of Industrial Organization*, 87, 102915.
4. Abito, J. M., C. R. Knittel, K. Metaxoglou and A. Trindade (2022), "The Role of Output Reallocation and Investment in Coordinating Environmental Markets," *International Journal of Industrial Organization*, 83, 102843.
5. Abito, J. M. and C. Chen (2021), "How Much Can We Identify From Repeated Games?" *Economics Bulletin*, 41(3), 1212-1222.

6. Han, J. S., J.-F. Houde, A. van Benthem and J. M. Abito (2021), “When Does Regulation Distort Costs? Lessons from Fuel Procurement in US Electricity Generation: Comment,” *American Economic Review*, 111(4), 1356-1372.
7. Abito, J. M. (2020), “Measuring the Gains from Optimal Incentive Regulation,” *Review of Economic Studies*, 87(5), 2019-2048.
8. Abito, J. M. and Y. Salant (2019), “The Effect of Product Misperception on Economic Outcomes: Evidence from the Extended Warranty Market,” *Review of Economic Studies*, 86(6), 2285-2318.
9. Abito, J. M., D. Besanko and D. Diermeier (2019), *Corporate Reputation and Social Activism: Strategic Interaction, Firm Behavior, and Social Welfare*, ISBN: 978019938615, Oxford University Press.
10. Abito, J. M., D. Besanko and D. Diermeier (2016), “Corporate Reputational Dynamics and Activist Pressure,” in *Strategy Beyond Markets (Advances in Strategic Management Vol. 34)*, John M. de Figueiredo, Michael Lenox, and Felix Oberholzer-Gee, eds., Emerald Group Publishing Limited, Bingley, 235-299.
11. Abito, J. M., K. Borovickova, H. Golden, J. Goldin, M. A. Masten, M. Morin, A. Poirier, V. Pons, I. Romem, T. Williams, and C. Yoon (2011), “How Should the Graduate Economics Core be Changed?” *Journal of Economic Education*, 42(4), 416-419.
12. Abito, J. M. and J. Wright (2008), “Exclusive Dealing with Imperfect Downstream Competition,” *International Journal of Industrial Organization*, 26(1), 227-246.

WORKING PAPERS

1. “A Unified Approach to Estimating Production Functions” Proxy Variables and Dynamic Panel Data” (with K. Metaxoglou), *R&R Journal of Industrial Economics*
2. “The Mechanisms of Demand Spillover in the WIC Program” (with K. Hui, Y. Salant and K. Uetake)
3. “Natural Monopoly Regulation as a Signaling Game of Auditing”

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

Climate and Sustainability Research Grant, 2021
US EPA EmPOWER Air Data Challenge, 2021
Dean’s Research Fund, Wharton, 2013-2021
Wharton Faculty Teaching Award, 2019
Research Grant from the Kleinman Energy Policy Center, 2016-2018
Dissertation Fellowship, Northwestern University, 2012
Distinguished Teaching Assistant Award, Northwestern University, 2012
Graduate Research Grant, Northwestern University, 2012
Susan Schmidt Bies Prize for Doctoral Student Research on Economics and Public Policy, 2011
Distinction in the preliminary exams in micro, macro and econometrics, 2009
Financial support, General Motors Strategy Center, Kellogg School of Management, 2009
University Fellowship, Northwestern University, 2008
Eiffel Scholarship (French Ministry of Foreign Affairs), 2006
Economics Society of Singapore Gold Medal, NUS, 2006
Monetary Authority of Singapore Book Prize, NUS, 2006, 2005
You Poh Seng Prize in Econometrics, 2006
NTUC Gold Medal, NUS, 2005

Singapore Scholarship (Singapore Ministry of Foreign Affairs), 2002

SEMINARS AND PRESENTATIONS

2024: ASSA (discussant), FTC

2023: ASSA Invited Session, JHU, ASU, ITAM

2022: IIOC, Cowles Summer Conference on Models and Measurement (discussant), University of Miami

2021: IIOC, Congressional Budget Office, Northeast Workshop on Environmental Economics and Energy Policy (Discussant), NBER SI IO (discussant), OSU, University of Georgia, ASU

2020: University of Maryland, Econometric Society Winter Meetings

2019: Princeton, Northeast Workshop on Environmental Economics and Energy Policy, University of Delaware, University of Georgia, University of Calgary

2018: BGSE Summer Forum, NBER SI IO (discussant), Penn State, Queens University, FTC Micro

2017: AEA Meetings, UW-Madison, IIOC, 2nd IO Conference in Montreal, NUS, MIT

2016: IIOC, Carleton, Wharton, Northwestern, Econometric Society Summer Meetings, Cornell, NYU Stern

2015: Wharton, IIOC, FTC, Carnegie-Mellon, University of Toronto Rotman, University of Michigan

2014: Harvard, IIOC, CRES Microeconomics, Barcelona GSE Summer Forum, Wharton, NYU IO day, Bates White, University of Rochester Simon, Columbia

2013: Duke, UCLA, Penn State, Yale, Wharton, Stanford GSB, Princeton, Toulouse School of Economics, IESE Business School, Universitat de Barcelona, Stanford SITE Workshop, MIT, SEA Annual Meeting

2012: APSA Annual Meeting, Northwestern

TEACHING

Instructor, OSU

ECON 4001.01: Intermediate Microeconomic Theory, Spring 2024-2026

ECON 4700: Government & Business, Spring 2023

ECON 8876: Empirical Industrial Organization IV, Spring 2023-2026

Instructor, Wharton

BEPP 250: Managerial Economics, Spring 2014-2016, 2018-2022

Teaching Assistant, Northwestern University, 2011-2012

Econometrics (Undergrad), Industrial Organization (Grad)

Grader, Kellogg School of Management, 2010-2011

Probability and Statistics, Microeconomics, Competitive Strategy (all MBA)

PhD ADVISING (including year of graduation and first placement)

Cinthia Konichi (2016, Vega Economics)

Jin Soo Han (2017, Republic of Korean Air Force Academy)

Ben Rosa (2018, Virginia Tech)

Ming Li (2020, CUHK)

Ruizhi Ma (2021, Analysis Group)

Joao Granja (2021, UCL)

Felipe Golfín-Flores (2022, Cornerstone)

Angela Gunn (2022, Analysis Group)
Kathleen Hui (2024, Department of Justice)
Nayul Kim (2024, Korean Institute of Finance)
Zheyu Ni (2024, Digonex)
Minhee Lee (2025, Amazon)
Shivam Agarwal (2026, Charles Rivers Associates)
Sunmin Kin (2026, Korean Institute of Public Finance)

SERVICE

Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Economics (OSU)
Honors Program Advisor, Department of Economics (OSU)
Consulting expert, Cornerstone Research
STEP Faculty mentor (OSU)
University Senate, Ohio State University, 2023-2026
Faculty representative, Council on Student Affairs (OSU)
Academic Advisory Committee for the Salmon P. Chase Center (OSU)
Faculty advisor of the Quantitative Finance Club (OSU)
Wharton Faculty Council for Undergraduate Research (BEPP representative), 2019-2022
University of Pennsylvania Disciplinary Hearing Panel (member)
University of Pennsylvania Workshop and focus group on Inclusive Teaching (participant)

Conference organization: IIOC 2026 (program committee), IIOC 2025 (program committee), Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society (scientific committee)

Referee: AEJ: Micro, AEJ: Policy, American Economic Review, Econometrica, Economic Inquiry, Economic Journal, Energy Journal, European Economic Review, Food Policy, Fulbright Fellowship, International Economic Review, International Journal of Industrial Organization, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Economics and Management Strategy, Journal of Industrial Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Management Science, Quantitative Economics, Quarterly Journal of Economics, RAND Journal of Economics, Review of Industrial Organization, Southern Economics Journal

PERSONAL

Status: Married
Citizenship: US and Philippines