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**CURRENT APPOINTMENTS**

**Economics Program Director and Scholl Chair in International Business**

Center for Strategic and International Studies (January 2025—Present)

**Associate Editor**

Journal of Geoeconomics (May 2025—Present)

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**PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT**

**Deputy Chief Economist** (Acting Chief Economist Nov. 2023—Jan. 2024)

U.S. Department of State (September 2022—January 2025)

**Visiting Assistant Professor**

Claremont McKenna College (September 2021—September 2022)

**Assistant Professor**

University of Colorado Denver (September 2016—September 2022)

**Assistant Professor**

Drexel University (September 2014—August 2016)

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**VISITING POSITIONS**

Visitor, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, Summer 2019

Visitor, International Monetary Fund, May 2015

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**EDUCATION**

**Ph.D. Economics**, University of California, Davis, June 2014

Dissertation: "The Global Organization of Production and its Effect on Labor"

Chair: Robert C. Feenstra

**M.A. Economics**, University of California, Davis, 2009

**B.S. Economics**, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, 2008

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

International Trade, Geoeconomics, Economic Security, Labor Economics, Entrepreneurship & Firm Dynamics, Global Supply Chains,

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## SECURITY CLEARANCE

TS/SCI Security Clearance

Special Sworn Status, U.S. Census Bureau

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## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

"The Labor Market Effects of Immigration Enforcement," *Journal of Labor Economics*, 2023. Vol. 41(4), pages 957-996. with Chloe East, Annie Hinds, Hani Mansour, and Andrea Velasquez

"Intermediate Good Sourcing, Wages and Inequality: From Theory to Evidence," *Review of International Economics*, 2019. Vol. 27(1): pages 1295-1350.

"Global Supply Chains, Firm Scope and Vertical Integration: Evidence from China," *Journal of Economic Geography*, 2019. Vol. 19(1), pages 173-198

"In Search of the Armington Elasticity," *The Review of Economics and Statistics*, 2018. vol 100(1), pages 135-150. with Robert Feenstra, Maurice Obstfeld, and Kathryn Russ.

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## WORKING PAPERS

"Redefining Economic Security: Conceptual Boundaries, Analytical Frameworks, and Policy Implications"

"The Impact of Chinese Trade on U.S. Employment: The Good, The Bad and The Debatable," with Nick Bloom, Kyle Handley, and André Kurmann, NBER WP #33098 (Revise and Resubmit *Review of Economic Studies*)

"Offshoring and Skills Demand," with Peter Kuhn and Hani Mansour

"The Rise of Offshoring and the Decline of Labor Market Fluidity" (under review)

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## WORK IN PROGRESS

"Impact of Tariffs on Technology Competition: Evidence from the U.S. Data Center Buildout"

"Economic Impacts of the Revocation of Temporary Protected Status"

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"Entrepreneurship and Immigration Enforcement" with Parag Mahajan

"Origins of Factoryless Goods Producers" with Fariha Kamal

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### **NON-PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS (Selected)**

"Trump's Trade Strategy Takes Shape with Latest EU Trade Deal," *CSIS Commentary*, July 28, 2025

"America's Immigration Paradox," *Les Rencontres Économiques*, June 20, 2025

"Why the G7 Must Tackle Hidden Systemic Threats to Global Financial Stability," *CSIS Commentary*, June 16, 2025

"U.S.-China Trade Talks in London: Ethane Export Controls and the Need for Better Economic Statecraft," *CSIS Commentary*, June 11, 2025

"Moody's Downgrade Signals Deeper Risk: Is U.S. Debt Undermining Global Leadership?," *CSIS Commentary*, May 20, 2025

"U.S.-ROK Negotiations: An Opportunity to Reset on Trade, Investment, and Technology," with Erin L. Murphy, *CSIS Commentary*, May 20, 2025

"The Hidden Risk of Rising U.S.-PRC Tensions: Export Control Symbiosis," *CSIS Commentary*, April 14, 2025

"The Shifting Landscape of U.S.-China Economic Relations," with Richard Gray, *Lawfare*, May 18, 2025

"The Uncertainty Tax: How Policy Volatility Will Harm the Economy," with Chris Borges, *CSIS Commentary*, April 1, 2025

"U.S. Steel and Aluminum Tariffs Won't Solve the Chinese Dumping Problem," with Evan Brown, *CSIS Commentary*, February 14, 2025

"Tariffs Using Emergency Economic Powers Risk Undermining U.S. Economic Security," with Navin Girishankar, *CSIS Commentary*, February 3, 2025

"How U.S. Tariffs on Allies Undermine Economic Statecraft," *CSIS Commentary*, February 4, 2025

"Beyond Manufacturing: Why Services Are Key to U.S.-China Economic Competition," *CSIS Commentary*, February 6, 2025

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### **FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS**

CCIA, Impact of Tariffs on Data Center Buildout, Total Support: \$250,000 (2025)

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E.I. Kauffman Foundation, Total Support: \$237,900 (2015-2018)  
CU Denver ORS Grant, Total Support: \$1,980 (2019)  
Graduate Student Dissertation Workshop Invited Participant, WEAI (2013)  
Ray Beaumont Memorial Award, UC Davis (2013)  
Non-Resident Tuition Remission, UC Davis (2008)  
Commonwealth College Research Fellowship, UMass, Amherst (2007)

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### **MEDIA COVERAGE (Selected)**

"So-Called 'China Shock' Proved a Booster Shot for U.S. Growth," *Real Clear Markets* (4/22/19)  
"The internal contradictions of the Trump trade policy," *AEIdeas* (4/16/19)  
"The 'China Shock' Has Not Been as Bad as Donald Trump Thinks," *Financial Times* (1/10/19)  
"The Perverse Side Effects Of America's Harsh Immigration Policies," *The Economist* (8/14/18)

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### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

#### **Appointments:**

International Monetary Fund Consultant  
Vice Chair, OECD Committee on Industry Innovation and Entrepreneurship  
Editor:

Associate Editor, Journal of Geoeconomics

#### **Referee:**

Economic Journal, Canadian Journal of Economics, Journal of Economic Surveys, Journal of Labor Economics, North American Journal of Economics and Finance, Review of Economic Dynamics

#### **Member:**

American Economic Association, Western Economic Association International

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### **SERVICE**

CU Denver Faculty Disability Committee (2017-2022)  
Swarthmore External Examiner (2016)  
Drexel University Entrepreneurship & Innovation Subcommittee (2015-2016)  
Drexel University School of Economics Curriculum Committee (2014-2016)  
UC Davis Macro/International Economics Graduate Seminar Series Organizer (2013)  
Graduate Student Association Representative (2009-2011)  
Graduate Student Mentor (2009-2013)

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **Claremont McKenna College**

ECN 201: Principles of Microeconomics (2021-2022)

### **University of Colorado Denver**

ECN 2022: Principles of Microeconomics (2017-2020)

ECN 4420: International Finance (2018)

ECN 5803: Advanced Macroeconomics [MA] (2017-2020)

ECN 6054: Empirical International Trade [MA] (2018-2020)

### **Drexel University**

ECN 201: Principles of Microeconomics (2015-16)

ECN 334: International Trade (2015)

ECN 961: Empirical International Trade [Ph.D.] (2016)

### **University of California, Davis—Associate Instructor**

ECN 160A: International Trade (2013)

ECN 160B: International Macroeconomics (2012)

### **University of California, Davis—Teaching Assistant**

International Trade (3 times), International Relations, Economics of Labor Markets, Intermediate Macroeconomics (twice), Introductory Microeconomics, Introductory Macroeconomics (twice)

## **SKILLS**

Advanced international economic theory and econometric techniques

Econometric and data science programming (Stata, Python, MATLAB, Mathematica)

Data visualization and communication (Tableau, LaTeX, Beamer)

Strategic policy leadership and economic analysis

Communication of economic policy to policymakers and non-technical audiences

## **REFERENCES**

### **Robert C. Feenstra**

Distinguished Professor of Economics

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### **Emily Blanchard**

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