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Education

August 2006, **Ph.D.** in Public Administration, Maxwell School, Syracuse University (SU)

- Specializations: public budgeting and finance, public administration theory
- Dissertation: *Two Essays: School District Responses to State Building Aid and Determinants of Pay-As-You-Go Financing of State Capital Projects*
- Committee: William Duncombe (chair), John Yinger, Ross Rubenstein, Douglas Wolf, David Popp

May 2002, Master of Public Administration (**M.P.A.**), Department of Public Administration and Policy, the University of Georgia (UGA)

July 1998 – May 2000, enrolled in the part-time **Master of Economics** Program, Department of Economics, Renmin University of China

August – December 1996, **Study fellow**, the School of Public Policy, the University of Birmingham, U.K.

July 1992, **B.A.** in English Language and Literature, Nankai University, China

Research Interests

Public budgeting and finance, financial management, infrastructure financing, education policy and finance, state education aid

Teaching Areas

Public budgeting and finance, financial management in public and non-profit organizations, state and local government finance, research methods, public administration theory

Professional Experiences

Assistant Professor, MPA Program, Department of Political Science, University of South Carolina, August 2008 –

Asia Fellow, Mossavar-Rahmani Center for Business & Government, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, February 1 – June 15, 2008

Assistant Professor, MPA Program, Department of Political Science, East Carolina University (ECU), August 2006 – August 2008

Research Associate and Teaching Assistant, Center for Policy Research, Maxwell School, Syracuse University, August 2002 – August 2006

Intern, the Commissioner's Office of Morgan County, Georgia, May – July 2001

Research Assistant, the Department of Political Science, the University of Georgia, August 2000 – May 2002

Program Manager, Office of International Exchange & Cooperation, China National School of Administration (CNSA), Beijing, China, 1995 – 2000

Program Manager, Office of International Exchange & Cooperation, Beijing University of Aeronautics and Astronautics (BUAA), Beijing, China, 1992 – 1995

Awards and Grants

College Research Award, Harriot College of Arts & Sciences, East Carolina University (for research sabbatical from January to August 2008)

Summer Research Stipend, Department of Political Science, East Carolina University, 2007

University Research Start-up Fund, East Carolina University, 2006 – 2008

Syracuse University Doctoral Prize, 2007

Doctoral Award of Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University, 2007

Dissertation Fellowship, Maxwell School, Syracuse University, 2005 – 2006

University Fellowship, Syracuse University, 2002 – 2004

Graduate School Assistantship, University of Georgia, 2000 – 2002

Publications

Wang, Wen and William Duncombe. 2009. "School Facilities Funding and Capital Outlay Distribution in the States," forthcoming in *Journal of Education Finance*, Winter.

Wang, Wen, Yilin Hou and William Duncombe. 2007. "Determinants of Pay-As-You-Go Financing of Capital Projects: Evidence from the States," *Public Budgeting and Finance*, Vol. 27, No. 4 (Winter): 18-24.

Wang, Wen. 2004. "Appendix C, A Guide to State Building Aid Programs for Elementary and Secondary Education", *Helping Children Left Behind: State Aid and the Pursuit of Educational Equity*, edited by John Yinger, Cambridge, MA: MIT Press: 353-366.

Manuscripts Under Review

"Pay-As-You-Go Financing and Its Effects on the Cyclical Stability of State Capital Outlays," with Yilin Hou, *Public Budgeting and Finance*.

“School District Responses to Matching Aid Programs for Capital Facilities: A Case Study of New York’s Building Aid Program,” with William Duncombe, and John Yinger, *National Tax Journal*.

Current Research

“Local Option Sales Tax and Disparity in Funding for Public School Facilities: Evidence from North Carolina,” with Zhirong (Jerry) Zhao, preparing for APPAM conference

“The Effects of China’s Tax-for-Fee Reform on China’s Rural Education: for Better or Worse?” with Zhirong (Jerry) Zhao, preparing for ABFM conference

“Pay-As-You-Go Financing of State Capital Projects,” with Yilin Hou, preparing for journal submission

"China's Education Finance Reform and Spatial Inequality in School Funding," preparing for Guangzhou Conference

Professional Activities

Paper presentation of “Local Option Sales Tax and Disparity in Funding for Public School Facilities: Evidence from North Carolina,” at the annual conference of Western Social Science Association, Denver CO, April 23-26, 2008

Discussant of the Panel on Intergovernmental Fiscal Issues, Annual Conference of Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM), Washington D.C., November 10, 2007

Paper presentation of “Pay-As-You-Go Financing and Its Effects on the Cyclical Stability of State Capital Outlays” at the Annual Conference of Association for Budgeting and Financial Management (ABFM), Washington D.C., October 25-27, 2007

Paper presentation of “Intergovernmental Grant and Disparities in School Funding in the U.S.: Implications for China,” at the 2007 International Conference on Public Finance and Government Reform, Fudan University, China, June 2-3, 2007)

Paper presentation of “Pay-Go Financing of Capital Projects and Its Effects on Cyclical Stability of State Budgets” at the annual conference of Western Social Science Association (WSSA), Calgary, Alberta, April 11-14, 2007

Paper presentation of “School Facilities Funding and Capital Outlay Distribution in the States” at the Annual Conference of American Education Finance Association (AEFA) in Baltimore, MD, Mar. 22-24, 2007

Paper presentation of “School District Responses to Building Aid in New York State” at the Annual Conference of Association for Budgeting and Financial Management (ABFM) in Atlanta, GA, Oct. 19-21, 2006

Paper presentation of “Determinants of Pay-As-You-Go Financing of Capital Projects: Evidence from the States” at the Annual Conference of Association for Budgeting and Financial Management (ABFM) in Washington D.C, Nov. 10-12, 2005

Paper presentation of “Financing Bricks and Mortar: State Building Aid and School District Response” at the Annual Conference of Association for Budgeting and Financial Management (ABFM) in Chicago, IL, Oct. 7-9, 2004

Attending the Workshop on Government Capacity Building and Performance Appraisal in the U.S., jointly held by CNSA and Maxwell School, Syracuse University, Sept. 1999

Project Manager for the **World Bank Technical Assistance Project** of CNSA, working with the Resident Mission of the World Bank in China, 1998 – 2000

Project Manager for the EU-China Civil Servant Training Project, working with the Delegation of European Commission to China and Expert Mission from European Commission, 1998 – 2000

Attending the Macao Seminar on Government Reform: Reduction of State Direct Intervention and Market Regulation, held by Portugal National School of Administration and CNSA, Dec. 1998

Attending the executive meeting of the Board of Management of International Association of Schools and Institutes of Administration (IASIA) held in Brussels, representing CNSA, Nov. 1998

Attending the Annual Conference of the International Association of Schools and Institutes of Administration (IASIA), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, Dec. 1997

Working at the Ministry of Personnel for the Organizing Committee of the 3rd International Conference of the International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS) in Beijing, China, Feb. – Aug. 1996

Study tour to UK, learning about Civil Service Reforms in UK since 1980’s, Oct. 1995

University/Department/Community Services

Member of MPA Admission Committee

Member of MPA Committee, ECU, 2006-08

Member of Personnel Committee, ECU, 2006-08

Member of Honors & Scholarship Committee, ECU, 2006-08

Membership of Professional Organization

American Society for Public Administration (ASPA)

Association for Budgeting and Financial Management (ABFM)

Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM)

American Education Finance Association (AEFA)

Western Social Science Association (WSSA)

China-America Association for Public Affairs (CAAPA)