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ACADEMIC POSITION

2024–2025

Instructor
Arkansas State University

EDUCATION

2020–2024

Ph.D. Public Policy
Georgia State University
Advisor: Benedict Jimenez

2017–2020

Research Stay
Northeastern University

2014–2016

M.A. International Affairs
George Washington University

2010–2014

B.A. Political Science
Shanghai University of Political Science & Law, China

RESEARCH INTERESTS

State and Local Government; Education and Infrastructure Finance; Urban Policies

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. Jimenez, Benedict, **Laiyang Ke**, and Minji Hong. Mayor Partisanship and the Fiscal Health of Cities: A Difference-in-Differences Analysis. *Public Choice* Online First.
2. **Ke, Laiyang** and Benedict Jimenez (2024). The Interesting Case of Special and Extraordinary Items: What Are They and How Do They Influence Municipal Government Finances? *Public Budgeting & Finance* 44(2), 69-89.
3. **Ke, Laiyang** and Shiqin Liu (2023). Local Governments' Adoption of Innovative Infrastructure Finance Tool: Evidence From Pennsylvania Municipalities. *Public Finance Review*, 51 (4).
4. **Ke, Laiyang**, Dan O'Brien, and Babak Heydari (2021). Airbnb and Neighborhood Crime: The Incursion of Tourists or the Erosion of Local Social Dynamics? *PLoS One* 16 (7).

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

1. **Ke, Laiyang**, Eunjoo Kwon, Minji Hong, Benedict Jimenez. Local Governments' Management of Federal Grants: Evidence from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Under review at *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*

WORKS IN PROGRESS

1. **Ke, Laiyang**. When the Money Comes In: Impacts of the Indiana Toll Road Lease on State and Local Fiscal Policy.
2. **Ke, Laiyang**. Does Having Tax Authority Help School Districts in Managing Budget Volatility?
3. Corredor, Federico, **Laiyang Ke**. The Impacts of SALT Cap on School Districts' Tax Revenue.

BOOK CHAPTER

1. O'Brien, Dan, Babak Heydari, and **Laiyang Ke** (2023). How the Sharing Economy is Reshaping the Dynamics of Neighborhoods: A Theoretical Presentation and a Test Case. In Babak Heydari, Ozlem Ergun, Rashmi Dyal-Chand, Yakov Bart (Eds.), *Reengineering the Sharing Economy*: Cambridge University Press.

BOOK REVIEW

1. **Ke, Laiyang** (2023). Review of the book *Innovative Infrastructure Finance: A guide for state and local governments* by Can Chen and John R. Bartle. *Public Finance and Management*.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2023** Society of Public Choice *as presenter and session chair*
Spring Public Finance Conference on Current Public Finance Challenges *as presenter*
The Southeastern Conference for Public Administration (SECoPA) *as presenter*
Association for Budgeting and Financial Management (ABFM) *as presenter*
Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) Fall Research Conference *as presenter*
National Tax Association (NTA) *as presenter*
- 2022** Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference *as presenter*
NextGen Public Finance Conference *as presenter*
Association for Budgeting and Financial Management (ABFM) *as presenter*
National Tax Association (NTA) *as presenter* (conference cancelled)
- 2020** 6th International Conference on Computational Social Science (IC2S2) *as presenter*

- 2019** Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) Regional Student Conference *as presenter*
North American Regional Science Council (NARSC) *as presenter*

INVITED TALKS

- 2024** Department of Political Science, Arkansas State University
2023 Public Administration Program, University of Hawaii at Manoa
Watts College of Public Service and Community Solutions, Arizona State University

ACADEMIC HONORS & GRANTS

- 2024** Adam Smith Fellowship (\$10,000), *The Mercatus Center at George Mason University*;
Internal Dissertation Grant (\$2,000), *Georgia State University*
2023 Student Fellow of the Public Choice Society;
The Outstanding Doctoral Student in Public Policy Award, *Georgia State University*;
Center for the Study of Federalism Grant (\$15,000) *as Co-PI*
2022-2023 Department Travel Grant, *Georgia State University*
2020-2024 Second Century Initiative (2CI) University Fellowship, *Georgia State University*
2017-2020 Stipended Graduate Assistantships (SGA), *Northeastern University*
2014 Best Undergraduate Dissertation Award, *Shanghai University of Political Science & Law*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Arkansas State University

- 2024 Fall** Introduction to Public Administration *as Instructor*
Administrative Leadership *as Instructor*

Georgia State University

- 2024 Summer** Coding in R for Policy Analytics *as Instructor*
2023 Spring/Fall Microeconomics of Public Policy *as Guest Lecturer*
2023 Summer Coding in R for Policy Analytics *as Instructor*

Northeastern University

2019 Fall Public Policy and Economic Development *as Teaching Assistant*

2018 Fall Quantitative Techniques in Political Science *as Teaching Assistant*

2017 Fall Public Budgeting and Financial Management *as Teaching Assistant*

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

Manuscript review: *Public Finance and Management*

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Association for Budgeting and Financial Management (ABFM); Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM); National Tax Association (NTA); American Economic Association (AEA)

OTHER

Statistic & Computational Skills R, STATA, Python, LaTeX, Qualtrics, QGIS, Bloomberg Terminal
Languages Chinese (native), English (fluent)

Last updated: August 14, 2024