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EDUCATION

- **Ph.D., Economics** 2010–2013
School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, London, UK
Specialization: Political Economy of Development, Technological Change, and International Trade
Ph.D. Thesis (with Outright Pass): “Technology Adoption in Rent Seeking Economies: The Case of Vietnam.”
Ph.D. Advisor: Professor Mushtaq H. Khan
- **J.D., Law** 2007–2010
University of California, Hastings College of the Law, San Francisco, CA, USA
Admitted to the California Bar Association, License #277862
- **MSc., Political Economy of Development** 2008–2009
School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, London, UK
Master’s Thesis (with Distinction): “Industrialization and the Triangular Rent Seeking Relationship between Vietnam, Japan, and China in Vietnam’s Motorcycle Industry.”
Master’s Thesis Advisor: Professor Mushtaq H. Khan
- **B.A., Global Economics** 2003–2005
University of California–Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, CA, USA
Senior Thesis (with Distinction): “China’s Emergence and Vietnam’s Transitional Economy: Partners and Competitors.”
Senior Thesis Advisor: Professor K.C. Fung

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- Assistant Professor** 2018–Current
Bucknell University, Department of Economics, Lewisburg, PA USA
- Assistant Professor** 2014–2018
University of Denver, Department of Economics, Denver, CO, USA
- Visiting Assistant Professor** 2013–2014
Drew University, Department of Economics and Business Studies, Madison, NJ, USA

RESEARCH FIELDS

Political Economy of Development, Technological Change, Economic Growth, International Trade

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Future of work, rents and rent seeking, industrial development, global value chain, small and medium enterprise development, female entrepreneurship

AFFILIATIONS

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Visiting Scholar United Nations University – World Institute for Development Economics Research (UNU-WIDER), Helsinki, Finland | 2016 |
| Young Southeast Asia Fellow Southeast Asia Research Group | 2016 |
| International Consultant World Bank Vietnam, and Ministry of Planning and Investment | 2011–2016 |
| International Consultant United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences (VASS) | 2014–2015 |
| International Consultant German Society for International Cooperation (GIZ), Frankfurt, Germany | 2013–2014 |
| Graduate Fellow Columbia University, and Institute for New Economic Thinking Advanced Graduate Workshop on Poverty, Development, and Globalization, in Bangalore, India. | 2013 |
| Associate Economics Affairs Officer (P2–2) United Nations Conference for Trade and Development (UNCTAD), Geneva, Switzerland Unit of Economic Cooperation and Integration for Developing Countries | 2011–2012 |
| Research Associate Vietnam Centre for Economic and Policy Research (VEPR), Vietnam National University, Ha Noi, Vietnam | 2011–2012 |
| Research Fellow Center for State and Local Government Law, San Francisco, CA | 2008 |

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Ngo, C. N. (2020). *Rent Seeking and Development: The Political Economy of Industrialization in Vietnam*. London: Routledge. ISBN 9781138100763. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781315657493>

Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

- Ngo, C. N., Di Tommaso, M. R., Tassinari, M. and Dockerty, J. M. (2021) “The future of work: Conceptual considerations and a new analytical approach for the political economy.” *Review of Political Economy*.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/09538259.2021.1897750>
- Ngo, C. N. and Chi, M. (2020) “Political economy of small and medium enterprise development: Characteristics, productive value, and market constraints in industrial manufacturing.” *Journal of Southeast Asian Economies*. 37(3), 291-312.
<https://bookshop.iseas.edu.sg/account/downloads/get/21451>
- Ngo, C. N. and McCann, C. (2019) Rethinking rent seeking for development and technological change. *Journal of Evolutionary Economics*. 29(2), 721–740.
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s00191-018-0591-3>
- Ngo, C. N. and Tarko, V. (2018) Economic development in a rent-seeking society: Socialism, state capitalism and crony capitalism in Vietnam. *Canadian Journal of Development Studies*. 39(4), 481–499.
<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/02255189.2018.1467831?journalCode=rcjd20>
- Ngo, C. N. (2017). Vietnam’s textile and garment industry in the global value chain and the political economy of Vietnam–China border trade. *European Journal of East Asian Studies*. Vol. 16(1), 154–184.
<http://booksandjournals.brillonline.com/content/journals/10.1163/15700615-01601008>
- Ngo, C. N. (2017). Political economy of industrial development in Vietnam’s telecommunications industry: A rent management analysis. *Review of Political Economy*. 29(3), 454–477.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/09538259.2017.1339436>
- Ngo, C. N. (2016). Local value chain development in Vietnam: Technical learning and rents management. *Journal of Contemporary Asia*. 47(1), pp. 1–26.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/00472336.2016.1214744>
- Ngo, C. N. (2016). “Developmental rent management analysis: Learning, upgrading, and innovation. *Journal of Economic Issues*. 50(4), 1045–1068.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/00213624.2016.1249749>
- Ngo, C. N. (2014). “Industrialization and the triangular rent-seeking relationship between Vietnam, Japan, and China in Vietnam’s motorcycle industry. *Limes Plus: Journal of Social Sciences and Humanities*, XI(3), 177–208.
http://www.komunikacija.org.rs/komunikacija/casopisi/Limes%20plus/X_3/09/show_download?tdlang=ser_lat

Book Reviews

- Ngo, C. N. (2015). Review of *Land and loyalty: Security and the development of property rights in Thailand* by Tomas Larsson. *Journal of Agrarian Change*. 15(1), 151–153.
<http://onlineibrary.wiley.com/wol1/doi/10.1111/joac.12092/full>

Manuscripts: Under Review

- Schneider, M., Ngo, C. N., Yasar, Y., and Saif, S. Gender differences in the management of Vietnam’s manufacturing firms: Contrasting workforce composition and compensation.” *Journal of East Asian Studies*.

Working Papers

Ngo, C. N. Covid-19 in rural America: Time, space and the political economy of change.

Ngo, C. N., Dang, H. Q. Covid-19 in America: Global supply chain reconsidered.

Ngo, C. N. Contracting failures and dynamics of informal institutions in Vietnam's manufacturing industries.

Ngo, C. N., Bruck, A. Approaching the age of mega automation: Labor displacement, market restructuring, and government intervention in the US Rust Belt States.

Ph.D. Thesis

Ngo, C. N. (2013). *Technology adoption in rent seeking economies: The case of Vietnam*. Ph.D. Thesis, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, London.
http://eprints.soas.ac.uk/17838/1/Ngo_3551.pdf

RESEARCH GRANTS AND AWARDS

- **Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and Bucknell University** 2020
Grant program: Confounding Problems in the Public Humanities and Arts
Project title: "Covid-19 in rural America: Time, space and the political economy of change"
- **Ludwig Mai Service Award, Association for Social Economics** 2020
"... presented to a person who has rendered exceptional service to the Association"
- **Publication Subvention Grant, Bucknell University** 2019
Project title: *Rent seeking and development: The political economy of industrialization in Vietnam*
- **Scholarly Development Grant, Bucknell University** 2019
Project title: "Female entrepreneurs in industrial manufacturing: Characteristics, contributions and lessons for development."
- **Professional Research Opportunities for Faculty (PROF), University of Denver** 2017–2018
Project title: "Contributions and characteristics of female entrepreneurship in manufacturing: The case of Vietnam
Investigators: Christine Ngo (principal investigator), Markus Schneider, Yavuz Yassar
- **Internationalization Grant, University of Denver**
Faculty Internationalization Grant, Spring 2017–2018
Faculty Internationalization Grant, Spring 2016–2017
Faculty Internationalization Grant, Fall 2016–2017
- **Faculty Research Fund, University of Denver** 2015–2017
Project title: "Industrial development in planned economies: Rent seeking and politico-economic interplay in Vietnam
- **United Nations University – World Institute for Development Economics Research (UNU-WIDER)** 2016–2017
Project title: "Differentials in market constraints and value addition among micro, small and medium enterprises in Vietnam"

Investigators: Christine Ngo (principal investigator), Miao Chi (Drew University)

- **Fieldwork Award, SOAS University of London** 2011
Project title: “Industrial development in rent-seeking economies: The case of Vietnam”

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Bucknell University 2018–Current

- Economics of Innovation
- Understanding the Global Economy
- Intermediate Political Economy
- Economic Principles and Problems

University of Denver 2014–2018

- Growth, Technology and Policy (MA level)
- International Economics
- Microeconomics and Macroeconomics II: Theories and Policies
- Robots vs. Humans: When Will the Machines Leave Us in the Dust? (Advanced seminar)

Drew University 2013–2014

- Principles of Microeconomics
- Principles of Macroeconomics
- Intermediate Macroeconomics
- International Trade
- Wall Street and the Economy

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- **Center for the Study of Race, Ethnicity and Gender** 2019–Current
Advisory Board Member, Bucknell University
- **Association for Social Economics (ASE)** 2016–Current
Treasurer, and Executive Council Member
- **Referee** 2014–Current
Journal of Economic Issues, Journal of Development Studies, Journal of Contemporary Asia, Journal of Human Development and Capabilities, International Journal of Emerging Markets, Stanford University Press
- **Undergraduate Council** 2017–2018
Committee Member, University of Denver

LANGUAGES

- English, fluent
- Vietnamese, fluent (native speaker)