

# David Yu

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## Education

- **University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)** 2018 – 2022  
B.S. Mathematics/Economics, *summa cum laude*, with departmental honors  
Specialization in Computing
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## Work Experience (selected)

- **Research Assistant** August 2022 – Present  
*Federal Reserve Board* *Trade and Financial Studies, Division of International Finance*
    - Contributed to research in fields such as trade, international macroeconomics, and monetary economics.
  - **Research Assistant** April 2022 – June 2022  
*Rosa Matzkin* *Charles E. Davidson Distinguished Professor of Economics, UCLA*
    - Studied solutions of functional equations via PDEs in support of research on nonparametric estimation.
  - **Economic Intern** June 2021 – December 2021  
*Federal Reserve Board* *Division of International Finance*  
*Dario Caldara, Anna Lipinska* *Section Chief, Principal Economist*
    - Studied exchange rate crises in emerging markets. Worked on multiple parts of the research process.
  - **Research Assistant** January 2021 – June 2021  
*Martha Bailey* *Professor of Economics, UCLA*
    - Produced new estimates of the gender wage gap at the time of the Equal Pay Act, using BLS wage data.
  - **Research Assistant** June 2020 – December 2020  
*Michela Giorcelli* *Assistant Professor of Economics, UCLA*
    - Constructed new data sets, communicating with hundreds of universities and their archive departments.
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## Other Experience

- **Project Buddy** September 2023 – Present  
*Howard University, Federal Reserve Board* *Economics 181*
    - Supported a student through a semester-long research project, assisting with data and code work.
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## Writing

- **Assessing the Extent of Trade Fragmentation** ([FEDS Note](#)) November 2023  
*Joint with Justin Pierce*
  - **Evaluating Head Start: The Marginal Value of Public Funds** ([honors thesis](#)) March 2022  
*Supervised by Martha Bailey*
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## Awards and Honors

Outstanding Mathematics/Economics Student Award June 2022  
UCLA Undergraduate Economics Research Fellowship January 2021  
National Merit Scholar May 2018

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## Skills

**Primary:** Stata, Python, R,  $\LaTeX$   
**Secondary:** C++, Matlab, HTML/CSS