

# Diana Cheung

*PhD in Economics*

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## Current Situation and Major Experiences

- Sept 2016- **Associate Professor, *Institut des Risques Industriels Assurantiels et Financiers (IRIAF)*, University of Poitiers.** Teaching Economics and Statistics. Economics of Social Protection, Health Economics, Public Economics, Population, International Trade, Policy Brief, Dissertation Writing, Case Study, Project Management, Survey creation and realisation, Data collection, Econometrics, Times Series, Applied Statistics, Data Analysis, Multidimensional Descriptive Statistics.
- Jun 15-Feb 22 **Sereni, *Trait d'Union*, SINGA.** Co-creation and management of the collaborative media *Trait d'Union*, now TIDO "Tell it differently" (<https://medium.com/tidomedia>). This media seeks to bring out an innovative eye on subjects related to migration and asylum through interviews, portraits of agents of change, actions of change, and the vulgarisation of academic articles.
- Nov 15-Jun 20 **Consultant, World Bank, Social Protection Unit-Africa Region.** Principle investigator for the impact evaluation of the Social Safety Nets Pilot Project in Cameroon and the comparative study of targeting methods of the Adaptative Social Protection System in Burkina Faso.
- Apr 10-Jun 18 **Chinese-speaking Risk Prevention Counselor, Lotus Bus, *Doctors of the World*.** Users: migrant sex-workers. Activities: roams, support and translation for medical visits and administrative procedures, prevention against health-and-violence related risks, information and advocacy.

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## Education

- 2010-2014 **PhD in Economics, University of Paris 1 Pantheon-Sorbonne, June 2014.**  
"Four Essays on Inequality and Social Reforms in China".  
*Jury:* Jean-Pierre Laffargue (Paris 1, supervisor), Jean-Claude Berthélemy (Paris 1, president), Sylvie Démurger (CNRS, IZA, external examiner), Jin Feng (Fudan University, external examiner), Francis Kramarz (CREST, ENSAE, external examiner), François Gardes (Paris 1, internal examiner).
- 2008-2009 **Masters in Economics, University of Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne**  
MPhil in International, Transition and Development Economics (with honors)  
Master thesis: "Impact of public service supply on internal migration decisions in China".  
MSc in Economic Development Expertise (with honors)  
Master project: "Impact of credit rationing on employment and wages in a CGE model".  
**BA in Chinese Language and Civilization Studies, National Institute of Oriental Languages and Civilization, INALCO (4th year)**
- 2007-2008 **Student in German Language, Münchner Volkshochschule, Munich, Germany (C1)**
- 2005-2006 **BA in Economics (3rd year), University of Navarra, Pamplona, Spain (with honors)**  
Thesis: "Impact of education on Chinese economic growth".  
**Diploma in Chinese Language and Civilization Studies (DULCO), INALCO.**

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## Professional Experience

### Research and teaching experience

- Sep 2020- **Lecturer, Institute of Latin American Studies (IHEAL), University Sorbonne Nouvelle, Paris.**
  - *Bachelor in international studies* : Development issues.
  - *Master en social sciences* : Quantitative methods for social sciences.
- 2018- **Invited lectures and seminars.**
  - "Health insurance, healthcare and consumption behavior", BA in Economics, Universitas Pembangunan Nasional Veteran Jakarta (UPNVJ), Indonesia (April 2022).
  - "Inequality and redistribution", BA in Economics, UPNVJ, Indonesia (November 2021).
  - "Inequality: approaches and measurement", BA in Economics, UPNVJ, Indonesia (November 2020).
  - "Efficiency and equity of healthcare systems", PSME-Pantheon-Sorbonne Master in Economics, University Paris 1 Pantheon-Sorbonne (April 2019).
  - "Population", BA in Economics and Statistics, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University, Romania (May 2018).

- Nov 15-Jun 16 **Research Officer**, *National Institute for Demographic Studies (INED)*, Paris.  
Gender and social health inequalities in France : impact of informal caregiving on mental health.
- Sep 13-Aug 15 **Temporary Lecturer and Research Fellow**, *École Normale Supérieure de Cachan*, Cachan.  
  - *Graduate*: Econometrics; Applied Methods in Economics and Management; Master Thesis Workshop in Development Economics.
  - *Undergraduate*: Development Policy; Applications with Stata.
- Jun 11-Aug 15 **Researcher**.  
  - Junior researcher, Microeconometrics Department, CREST-Center for Research in Economics and Statistics (Jun 2013-Aug 2015).
  - Visiting Scholar, Brown University, Providence, US (Sep 2012-Jan 2013).
  - Visiting Scholar, Fudan University, Shanghai, China (March-June 2011 and 2012).
- July 2013 **Interviewer, POLECOMI project**, *DIAL*, Paris.  
Project on the political economy consequences of international migration for origin countries. Mali.
- Sep-Dec 2009 **Project and Research Assistant**, *Health & Environment Program*, *French Institute for International Relations*, Paris.  
  - *Research*: health system and health policy (India, Africa); appropriation of norms; global environmental governance, the European Regulation of Chemicals (REACH), climate change diplomacy (Japan).
  - *Publication*: peer-reviewing and editing.
  - *Events organization*: peer-review seminars, international seminar in Taipei on the importance of communication in the management of health outbreaks.
  - *Other*: development of the contacts and research banks of the Health & Environment Program.

### Other professional Experiences (selection)

- Apr-Aug 2008 **Interviewer**, *ABH Marktforschung*, Cologne, Germany, marketing.
- Jun-Nov 2006 **Marketing Manager**, *Interseral Businesspool SL*, Pamplona, Spain.
- Jul-Aug 2005 **Administrative Auxiliary**, *ADP-GSI France*, Levallois, France.
- 2001-2003 **Sales Manager and Sales Representative**, *Paris, France*.  
  - Espace Conseil (Apr-Oct 2003)
  - Compagnie Bleue (Jul-Sept 2002)
  - Fortin-Liégeard Consulting Group (May-June 2002, part-time)
  - Cabinet Concorde Etoile (May-June 2002, part-time)
  - Artonic (May 2001-April 2002)

## Research Activities

- Topics of interest** *Primary*: applied microeconometrics, development economics, health economics, economics of social protection. *Secondary*: inequality, social mobility, multidimensional poverty, well-being, mental health, informal caregiver, connected-objects, health insurance, household consumption and savings, cash-transfers, migration, education, agriculture, Covid-19, China, Africa, Argentina.

### Publications

- 2020 “**Community-based or top-down targeting? Effectiveness and acceptability of targeting approaches. Evidence from Burkina Faso**”. Report, World Bank.
- 2016 “**The insurance of household risks and the rebalancing of the Chinese economy: health insurance, health expenses and household savings**”, avec JP. Laffargue et Y. Padiou, *Pacific Economic Review*, Vol 21, Sep 2016, p.381-412.
- 2016 “**Cash transfers and living conditions: evaluation of a pilot safety net program in Cameroun**”, with S. Wang Sonne. Evaluation Report, World Bank (in French).
- 2015 “**Heterogeneity of the effects of health insurance on household savings: Evidence from rural China**”, with Y. Padiou, *World Development*, Vol 66, Feb 2015, p.84-103.
- 2014 “**Intergenerational inequality in China: consumption persistence vs. income persistence**”, with L. Chen, *South China Journal of Economics (Nanfang Jingji)*, Vol 32(3), 2014, p.52-65 (in Chinese).
- 2013 « **Hétérogénéité de l’impact de l’assurance santé sur les comportements d’épargne en Chine rurale** », with Y. Padiou, *Revue d’Économie Politique*, Vol 123(4), 2013, p.641-662.

### Works in progress

- “**Accuracy and acceptability of targeting mechanisms in Burkina Faso**”.

“**From safety to productive net? Unconditional Cash Transfer and agricultural outcomes in Cameroon**”, with Quentin Stoeffler and Soazic Wang Sonne.

«**Aide informelle et santé mentale des aidants en France**», with Emmanuelle Cambois and Ariane Pailhé.

“**Does health insurance decrease savings and boost consumption in rural China?**”, with Ysaline Padieu.

“**Intergenerational inequality of consumption in China: income or taste inheritance?**”, with Lin Chen.

“**Intergenerational inequality in China: from the perspective of food consumption persistence**”, with Lin Chen.

### Fundings

- 2022- ECOS-SUD Grant. “The effects of Covid-19 on the labour market and multidimensional poverty in Argentina”.
- 2022- EC2U-European Campus of City-Universities PhD Funding. PhD Candidate : John-Elio Nahas. Title : “Sport, Health and Well-Being through Connected Objects”. Co-direction Liliane Bonnal (University of Poitiers) and Tuija Leskinen (University of Turku).
- 2020-2022 Regional Funding from Nouvelle Aquitaine. Project on public policies around autonomy, dependency, seniors and caregivers. "La quadrature Autonomie-Dépendance-Aidés-Aidants d'une société vieillissante peut-elle s'inscrire dans un cercle vertueux ?".
- 2019 Poitiers MSHS-Maison des Sciences de l'Homme et de la Société. “The role of caregivers in the coverage of dependency”.
- 2015-2021 CPER INSECT-INnovation Sociale, Economique et Culturelle dans des Territoires en mutation. “Health, precarity and renouncing care”.
- 2010-2012 Cai Yuanpei Grant. “Social reforms and economic development: the case of China”.

### Conferences and seminars (selection)

- 2022 GLADE Half-Day Conference, Virtual Institute for Good Health and Well-being, online.
- 2021 1st JESICA-Jakarta Economic sustainability international conference agenda, Jakarta.
- 2019 41èmes JESF-Journées des Économistes de la Santé Français, Poitiers.
- 2018 7th GREThA International Conference on Economic Development, Bordeaux.
- 2017 Econometric society, Africa Meeting 2017, Algiers; WIDER Development Conference - Public economics for development, Maputo, July; CRIEF internal seminar, University of Poitiers.
- 2016 India-China Conference, Paris School of Economics (invited); MSE Unit of INED internal seminar, INED.
- 2015 Barcelona GSE Summer Forum, Workshop on Socio-Economic Mobility, Inequality and Growth, Barcelona; 32nd Applied Microeconomics Conference (JMA), Montpellier.
- 2014 China Society of World Economics Annual Conference (CSWE), Hangzhou; CREST Microeconomics internal seminar (LMI-LEPP CREST); 17th IEA World Congress, Dead Sea.
- 2013 9th Conference on Economic Growth and Development, Indian Statistical Institute, New Delhi; Applied Economics Lunch Seminar, Paris School of Economics (PSE), Paris; 28th Meeting of the European Economic Association (EEA), Gothenburg; 14th International Meeting of the Association of Public Economy Theory (PET), Lisbon; 62nd Congress of the French Economic Association (AFSE), Aix-en-Provence; 30th Applied Microeconomics Conference (JMA), Nice; 5th joint workshop Fudan-Paris 1: “After the crisis: New economic and social challenges in a new world”, Shanghai.
- 2012 Applied Microeconomics Lunch Seminar, Brown University, Providence; 11th EUDN PhD Workshop on Development Economics, Toulouse; International Conference: “Restructuring China’s Economy”, China Economic Research Centre, Stockholm School of Economics and China Centre for Economic Research, Peking University, Stockholm; 4th joint workshop Fudan-Paris 1: "The future of the welfare state in a globalized world in crisis", Paris; 61th Congress of the French Economic Association (AFSE), Paris; 4th International Conference in Development Economics, GREThA, Bordeaux.
- 2011 2nd Meeting of Pantheon-Sorbonne Doctoral School, Paris; Development and Globalization PhD Workshop, Paris; International Conference: “New Evidence on Poverty Traps”. African Development Bank, Ferdi, CES, Paris; 16th World Congress of the International Economic Association (IEA), Beijing; 10th Arnoldshain Seminar, Goettingen (poster); Annual Conference on Development Economics, KfW Development Bank and DIW, Berlin (poster).

## Referee activities

Health Economics, China Economic Review, SAGE Open.

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## Administrative tasks and collective responsibilities

### Collective responsibilities, (*selection*).

- University of Poitiers steering board member, Work Package “Good Health and Wellbeing”. EC2U-European Campus of City-Universities [www.ec2u.eu](http://www.ec2u.eu) (since March 2021).
- Elected Vice-President, Scientific Expertise Commission, Economics section, University of Poitiers (since January 2021).
- International relations officer of the Research Centre on Economic and Financial Integration (CRIEF), University of Poitiers (since 2020).
- Appointed member of the National Council of Universities, Economics section (since 2019).

### Events organisations, (*selection*).

- 41th Days of the French Health Economists, Poitiers (2019).
- 4th International days of Risk, Niort (2018).
- Graduation ceremony ; Student Enterprise Forum; Debate on “the attractivity and the dynamic of territories: the university, local authorities and enterprises triptych”, Niort (2018).
- Workshop on dependency gathering academics, health and socio-medical professionals, and civil organisations: “Seniors’ vulnerability, autonomy loss and dependence: state of play and outlook”, Niort (2017).
- 4th joint-workshop joint between Fudan University and Pantheon-Sorbonne University (2012).

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## Honors, Scholarships and Awards

- Jan 2016 Finalist for the CEDIMES PhD Dissertation prize 2015.
- June 2014 Dissertation suggested for the Chancellerie Prize which rewards the academic and scientific quality of dissertations defended in the year.
- Sep 12-Jan 13 Visiting Scholar Fellowship. Brown University.
- 2010-2012 Cai Yuanpei Grant. Funding to promote scientific exchanges between Chinese and French research laboratories. French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, French and Chinese Ministries of Higher Education.
- 2010-2012 PhD Fellowship. French Ministry of Higher Education and Research.
- 2005-2006 Erasmus Scholarship, Spain.
- 2006 Development project presented at the European Commission: “Development of primary education in Pakistan”, with 3 other students (Outstanding, 2006).
- 2000 Women scientific and technical vocation prize. Ministry of professional gender equity (2000).

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## Skills

### Languages

**French, Cantonese:** native.

**English, Spanish:** full professional proficiency (speaking, reading and writing).

**Chinese, German:** professional working proficiency (speaking). Limited working proficiency (reading and writing, level C1).

### Computer

Microsoft Office, Stata, SAS, LaTeX, LyX.

### Skills acquired during professional experience

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| Project development and management       | Staff/student training and supervision |
| Market research and study                | Computer management tools design       |
| Survey creation and data analysis        | Data analysis and management           |
| Events organization (conferences, fairs) | Report writing, editing, proofreading  |
| Work under pressure and multitasking     | Work in high paced diverse environment |
| Leadership                               | Quick learner                          |