

**The 19th China Economics Summer Institute
August 14-15, 2026**

The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Programme

Day 1: August 14, 2026 (Friday) @ Lecture Theatre 3, Esther Lee Building, CUHK

08:15 – 08:45 Registration

08:45 – 09:00 Opening Remarks

**Session 1: Labor Market
Chair: Zheng (Michael) Song (CUHK)**

09:00 – 10:00 *The Reserve Army or the Protestant Ethic: Experimental Evidence of Unemployment Pressure and Work Ethics*
Xincheng Qiu (Peking University)

10:00 – 11:00 *Growing without Divergence: The Impact of Innovation on Low- and High-skilled Migration in China*
Naijia Guo (University of Hong Kong)

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:30 *The Spatial Effects of Labor Mobility Restrictions: Evidence from the Shenzhen Wall*
Ming Li (CUHK)

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch (by Invitation)

**Session 2: Student Session
Chair: Yao Amber Li (HKUST)**

14:00 – 14:45 *AI Sovereignty*
Yuezhi Wu (Fudan University)

14:45 – 15:30 *AI as Business Infrastructure: Platform Provision and Firm Growth*
Jinhan Liu (Zhejiang University)

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee Break

16:00 – 16:45 *Structural Change and Food Security Constraints: A Market Solution*
Yameng Fan (University of Hong Kong)

16:45-17:30 *A Thirst for Silver: Trade Disruption, Currency Shortage, and the Institutional Cause of Riots*
Chong Pang (Universitat Pompeu Fabra)

18:00 Dinner (by Invitation)

Day 2: August 15, 2026 (Saturday) @Lecture Theatre 3, Esther Lee Building, CUHK

Session 3: Marco Economy

Chair: Ruixue Jia (UC San Diego and HKU)

- 09:00 – 10:00 *The Fiscal Roots of China's Unbalanced Growth*
Dan Su (Cheung Kong Graduate School of Business)
- 10:00 – 11:00 *The Power and Pitfalls of Techno-Industrial Policy: Evidence from China*
Hannah Wei (Oxford University)
- 11:00 – 11:30 Coffee Break**
- 11:30 – 12:30 *Technology Rivalry and Resilience Under Trade Disruptions: The Case of Semiconductor Foundries*
Weiting Miao (Stanford University)
- 12:30 – 14:00 Lunch (by Invitation)**

Session 4: Development and Political Economy

Chair: Yifan Zhang (CUHK)

- 14:00 – 15:00 *A Few Bad Apples? Academic Dishonesty, Political Selection, and Institutional Performance in China*
Wenwei Peng (Hong Kong Baptist University)
- 15:00 – 16:00 *Multinational Enterprises Experience Fosters Innovative Entrepreneurship: Evidence from China*
Xiaohan Yang (Chinese University of Hong Kong)
- 16:00 – 16:30 Coffee Break**
- 16:30 – 17:30 *Contracting on Price, Compensating on Quality: Evidence from Centralized Drug Procurement*
Nina Yin (Central University of Finance and Economics)
- 18:00 Dinner (by Invitation)**