

# Haku Bo

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## Education

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- 2017-Present    **PhD Student:** University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, USA  
Department of Applied Economics, Supervisor: Stephen Polasky, Regents Professor; Justin Johnson, Assistant Professor
- 2012-2016      **Bachelor** of Economics: Chuo University, Tokyo, Japan  
Faculty of Economics, Supervisor: Yabuta Masahiro, Professor

## Work and Research Experience

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- Since 2020      **Research Assistant**, Applied Economics Laboratory  
Supervisor: Stephen Polasky, Regents Professor; Justin Johnson, Assistant Professor  
Description:
  - Review papers that value ecosystem services by using Hedonic analysis
  - Demonstrate meta-analysis on the Hedonic study
  - Evaluate inclusive welfare indexes and methods on sustainable accounting analysis
  - Analysis of finance policy and strategies on global biodiversity conservation
  - Policy analyses related to natural resources such as energy, climate change, and air quality
- 2020-2021      **Research Assistant**, Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota  
Supervisor: Metin Cakir, Associate Professor  
Description:
  - Data collection and management (cleaning) for USDA projects, using firm-level data created by the US Bureau of Labor
  - Analyses of employment databases (CBP, QCEW, NETS) to study the role of small businesses in creating jobs within the food sector
  - Conducting econometric and statistical analyses using methods such as linear regression
  - Preparing and delivering oral presentations
- 2019-2020      **Research Assistant**, Natural Capital Project, IPBES  
Supervisor: Becky Chaplin-Kramer, Professor, Stanford University  
Description:
  - Review papers of natural and social values for meta-analysis

- Since 2018      **Research Assistant**, Institute for Social Research and Data Innovation, University of Minnesota  
Supervisor: Matthew Sobek, Director of Data Integration, Research Scientist  
Description:
- Data cleaning and harmonization of Censuses and Household Surveys around the world using SPSS and Stata
  - Statistical analysis and regressions on national census and United Nations Surveys (UNICEF-MICS) using R and Stata
  - Constructing indicators for United Nations Surveys
- 2014-2016      **Event and Program Staff**, International Center of Chuo University, Japan  
Description:
- Planning international events for university
  - Visitor and exchange student services
  - Leadership in the scholarship program
  - Multiple language translation
- 2014            **Research Assistant**, the Noto Regional GIAHS Executive Committee, Ishikawa Prefectural Government, Japan  
Supervisor: Stephen Hesse  
Description:
- Evaluate the local economic establishments to adopt a land management system that is recognized as the Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems (GIAHS) at the Noto Peninsula
  - Conduct interviews with local business owners and organizations, translate the results into data
  - Discuss economic policy with local government about developing the “Satoyama and Satoumi” system into policy making
- 2012-2015      **Special Staff**, Japan Post Co., Ltd.  
Description:
- Arranging postal parcels and investigating addresses of households, machine operation

## Working papers

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**Bo, H.;** Dampha, N.K.; Long, Y.; Mamun, S.; Strombom, L. 2022. *How do we value housing? A meta-analysis on Hedonic models.* [In prep.](#)

Dampha, N.K.; **Bo, H.;** Kula, L.; Long, Y.; Mamun, S.; Strombom, L.; Thakrar, S. 2022. *Metrics of Sustainability/Wellbeing: Balancing the needs of present and future generations.* [In prep.](#)

Polasky, S.; Johnson, J.A.; **Bo, H.;** Dampha, N.K.; Kula, L.; Long, Y.; Mamun, S.; Leonardo Maldonado, L.; Strombom, L.; Thakrar, S. 2021. *The Economic Case for Conserving Nature and the Big Lift for Transformative Change.* [In prep.](#)

## Research

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**Bo, H.** 2019. *Impact of Urban Development on Ecosystem Services --- a case study from the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area*. Second-year Ph.D. preliminary paper, University of Minnesota

**Bo, H.** 2016. *Input-output and Ecological Footprint Analysis for the Sustainable Regional Development: a case study of Inner Mongolia in China*. Graduation thesis of faculty of economics, Chuo University

**Bo, H.; Yabuta, M.** 2015. *A Study of Depopulation Area and Sustainable Tourism in Japan*. Chuo University

**Bo, H.** 2014. *From Traditional Agriculture to Sustainable Agriculture in Sub-Saharan Africa*. Study in Papers of Faculty-Linkage Program (FLP), Chuo University

## Grants

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Jul-Sep 2015      **Exchange and Research Student**, Japan Global Initiative, Washington DC, USA

"DC international Economy & Development Policy Programme"

- **Title of presentation:** *Inner Mongolia, An Energy wasteland*
- **Title of discussion:** *Thinking about Asia's Dynamics in the 21 Century, Focusing on Transitions of Geopolitical Powers as a Global Leader*

Aug 2013          **Student Representative**, Global Seminar Japan 29th Shonan Session, United Nations University, Tokyo, Japan

- **Title of presentation:** *A Comparison of Nuclear Policy between Japan and Germany*
- **Title of discussion:** *Energy Alternatives and Policies for the Newly Emergent States*

## Awards & Honors

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2015-2016      Mitsubishi Corporation International Student Scholarship, Mitsubishi Corporation (**¥1,200,000/\$9,441**)

2014              Faculty of Economics Global Human Resources Development Scholarship, Chuo University (**¥200,000/\$1,573**)

2014              Suzuki Toshifumi Scholarship, 7-Eleven, Inc (**¥300,000/\$2,361**)

2011-2015      Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) Honors Scholarship for Privately Financed International Students, Japanese Government (**¥2,304,000/\$18,126**)

## Software skills

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**Advanced**      **Microsoft office, R, STATA, Matlab, ArcGIS, QGIS, Python**

**Intermediate**      Wolfram Mathematica, Gretl, SPSS, Adobe

## Statistical skills

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t-test, F test, p values  
Linear and non-linear regressions  
Fixed effect and random effect regressions  
Sensitivity analysis  
Bootstrapping  
General equilibrium modeling  
Dynamic optimization modeling  
Descriptive statistics  
Machine learning

## GIS skills

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Proficient with both vector and raster  
Data extraction and evaluation  
Data visualization  
Masking  
Clipping  
Dissolving  
Zonal statistics  
Calculator Raster staking  
Buffer construction  
Resampling and normalization  
Classification  
Modeling

## Languages

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**Fluent**      Mongolian, Mandarin, Japanese, English

**Basic**      Hungarian, Spanish

## Service

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- Since 2021 **Graduate Student Committee**,  
College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences, University  
of Minnesota
- Since 2021 **Graduate Student Representative**,  
Academic Calendar Task Force, University of Minnesota
- Since 2019 **Department Representative**,  
The Council of Graduate Students, University of Minnesota
- Since 2016 **Member**, Food Recovery Network, Minneapolis
- 2012-2016 **Volunteer**, Regional River cleaning in Hino City, Japan
- Summer 2012 **Volunteer**, The Great East Japan Earthquake