# Paul Pornpawit Brimble

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## Education

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| PhD in Economics, University of Michigan | 2022 – |
| MPhil in Economics, University of Oxford | 2015 – 2017 |
| BA in Economics, University of Cambridge | 2012 – 2015 |
| IB Diploma, International School of Phnom Penh | 2010 – 2012 |

## Research Interests

Development economics, labour economics, international economics

## Working Papers

1. "Ancient Epics in the Television Age: Religious Identity and the Rise of Hindu Nationalism in India"
   (*with Resuf Ahmed, Akhila Kovvuri, Alessandro Saia, and Dean Yang*)
2. "How Capital Can Increase the Efficiency of Production"
   (*with Rob Garlick and Kate Orkin*)
3. "Payment Infrastructure and Policy Effectiveness: Evidence from Public Programs in Togo"
   (*with Toni Oki, Deivy Houeix, and Axel Eizmendi-Larrinaga*)
4. "Guarantor Networks, Financial Contagion and Systemic Risk: Evidence from Kenya"
   (*with Kevin Carney and Joshua Deutschmann*)
5. "Shareable Technologies and Role Models in Education: Experimental Evidence on Social Network Spillovers in Togo"
   (*with Axel Eizmendi-Larrinaga*)

## Work in Progress

6. "Broadcasting Agriculture: Information Diffusion and the Green Revolution"
   (*with Joaquin Endara*)
7. "Zoning Laws and Land Value Capture: Evidence from Rwanda"
   (*with Guy Michaels, Tanner Regan, and Matthew Sharp*)
8. "VIIRS and the Future of Night Lights Data in Economics"
   (*with Adam Storeygard, Axel Eizmendi-Larrinaga, and Kazuki Motohashi*)

## Conferences and Presentations

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| STEG Annual Conference & Theme Workshops, Nairobi | 2026 |
| CSAE Conference, University of Oxford | |
| NOVAFRICA Conference on Economic Development, Nova SBE | |
| Advances with Field Experiments (AFE) Conference, University of Chicago | |
| ASSA Annual Meeting, San Francisco | 2025 |
| BREAD Conference on Development, Princeton University | |
| NBER Summer Institute, Development Economics | |
| Advances with Field Experiments (AFE) Conference, University of Chicago | |
| Northeast Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC), Tufts University | |
| Webinar Series in Finance and Development (WEFIDEV) | |
| CEPR Paris Symposium | |

Midwest International Economic Development Conference (MWIEDC), University of Chicago 2024

## Awards, Honours and Fellowships

Lisa and Tim Sloan Graduate Fellowship 2027
*Department of Economics, University of Michigan*

Outstanding Third Year Paper Award 2025
*Department of Economics, University of Michigan*

Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellowship Fund (SYLFF) Fellowship 2022 –
*Department of Economics, University of Michigan*

Northam Memorial Prize in Economics 2015
*Queens' College, University of Cambridge*

Foundation Scholarship 2014, 2015
*Queens' College, University of Cambridge*

## Research Grants

Economics Graduate Student Fall Research Grant ($2,500) 2025

Economics Graduate Student Summer Research Grant ($4,349) 2024

Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant ($1,489) 2024

Private Enterprise Development in Low-Income Countries ($18,031) 2023

## Relevant Experience

Research Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Michigan 2023 – 2026
*for Dean Yang (2023), Kevin Carney (2024), Emma Riley (2024 – 2026)*

Research Assistant, Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford 2019 – 2022
*for Stefan Dercon, Kate Orkin, Robert Garlick, Mahreen Mahmud*

Economic Adviser, Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning, Rwanda 2017 – 2019
*for Leonard Rugwabiza, Amina Rwakunda, Thierry Kalisa*

## Teaching

Microeconomic Theory, Graduate (601, 602, 603, 604) 2023 – 2024
*Graduate Student Instructor for Amanda Friedenberg, David Miller, Mu Zhang*

## Other Publications

"The Sunday Morning Broadcast that Changed Indian Democracy," *VoxDev*, 3 March 2026.
*(with Resuf Ahmed, Akhila Kovvuri, Alessandro Saia, and Dean Yang)*

"A New Approach to Property Valuation Using Remote Sensing Data and Machine Learning in Kigali, Rwanda," *International Growth Centre Working Paper*, February 2020.
*(with Patrick McSharry, Felix Bachofer, Jonathan Bower, and Andreas Braun)*

## Refereeing

Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management

## Skills

**Software:** Stata, Python, LaTeX, QGIS (advanced); R, Matlab, SurveyCTO (intermediate)

**Languages:** English (native), Thai (native), Spanish (intermediate)