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## Education

- 08/2024 - current **PhD of Health Services Research (concentration Health Systems and Policy)**, College of Public Health, George Mason University, USA.  
Funded by GMU Graduate Research Assistantship.
- 02/2023 - 7/2024 **Master of Public Policy (MPP)**, University of Auckland, New Zealand, Graduated with First Class Honours, Funded by Manaaki New Zealand Scholarship  
Dissertation: *Retirement financing and health outcomes among older Australians: how saving for retirement also saves lives*
- 2013–2017 **Bachelor Degree in Economics**, University of Economics Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, Valedictorian of the Planning and Investment Economics Class 2013-2017  
Dissertation: *Impacts of Retirement on the Mental Health of European people*

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## Publications

- Peer-reviewed journal Vo, T.T., **Phu-Duyen, T.T**<sup>1</sup>. (2023). Mental health around retirement: evidence of Ashenfelter's dip. *BMC Global Health Research and Policy*, 8(35). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s41256-023-00320-3>
- Nguyen, T. H., Nguyen, V. D., **Tran, T.P.D.**, & Nguyen., V. V. (2018). Smart cities analysis framework: Case study of Southeast provinces (Vietnamese). *Journal of Asian Business and Economic Studies*, 29(6), 05–26, [http://jabs.ueh.edu.vn/Home/SearchArticle?article\\_Id=f6690858-1c9a-464c-9ca3-20753e6fcdd1](http://jabs.ueh.edu.vn/Home/SearchArticle?article_Id=f6690858-1c9a-464c-9ca3-20753e6fcdd1)
- Technical report **Phu-Duyen, T.** (2023). Equitable Rates Relief: A comprehensive analysis of Rates Rebates, Postponement, and Remissions in New Zealand, focusing on seniors and Māori. Prepared for Te Ara Ahunga Ora/Retirement Commission New Zealand (under older people's policy). [https://assets.retirement.govt.nz/public/Uploads/Research/2023/Duyen-Tran\\_TAAO\\_Equitable-Rates-Relief.pdf](https://assets.retirement.govt.nz/public/Uploads/Research/2023/Duyen-Tran_TAAO_Equitable-Rates-Relief.pdf)
- Conference proceeding Vo, T., & **Tran, T.P.D.**, Vu, N. T., & Truong, H. D. (2022). Policy options for Ho Chi Minh City to prepare for shocks after COVID-19 (Vietnamese). In *Proceedings of the plenary session of the 4th Vietnam Economic Forum*, 5/6/2022 at Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam (pp. 119-125)
- Vo, T., **Tran, T.P.D.**, Truong, T.H., & Nguyen, X.D. (2022). Measuring Inequalities in Access to Health Services: The Vietnam Case. In *Proceedings of the 4th Asia Conference on Business and Economic Studies (ACBES) by University of Economics Ho Chi Minh City* on 29th-31st August 2022, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam (pp. 111). UEH Publishing House., ISBN 978-604-346-088-9

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## Employment

- 08/2024 - current **Graduate Research Assistant**, Department of Health Administration and Policy, College of Public Health, George Mason University, Supervisor: Dr Priyanka Anand  
*Responsibilities*: Assist Dr Anand in conducting research papers in Health Economics
- 2/2024-7/2024 **Teaching Assistant**, Faculty of Arts, University of Auckland, Class: SOCIOL 208 - Economy and Society, POLICY 743 - Economics, Budgets and Bureaucrats  
*Responsibilities*: Mark assignments, answer students' inquiries.

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<sup>1</sup>Both authors contributed equally to this work.

- 7/2023–7/2024 **Postgraduate Mentor, Student Development and Engagement**, *Faculty of Arts, University of Auckland*  
*Responsibilities:* Lead study sessions, tutor Master of Public Policy students, organize academic workshops, hold-office hours, answer students' inquiries.
- 7/2023–11/2023 **Policy Research Officer (internship)**, *Retirement Commission*, Central Government, New Zealand  
*Responsibilities:* Research independently on rates (tax) relief schemes in New Zealand, create the final report on the institution's website.
- 11/2019–1/2023 **Research Associate, Project Manager**, *Health and Agricultural Policy Research Institute (HAPRI), University of Economics Ho Chi Minh City (UEH)*  
*Responsibilities:* Research Health Economics and public policy, write grant proposals, organize academic conferences, coordinate international research projects, oversee media campaigns, manage a team of ten researchers.
- 3/2017–11/2019 **Research/Teaching Assistant**, *School of Economics, UEH*  
*Responsibilities:* Assist Health Economics research projects, collect and analyze data; assist teaching in Development, Research Methods, Applied Econometrics courses (undergrad level)

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## Working papers

Does Information Influence the Choice between Social Security Disability and Early Retirement? (Priyanka Anand, Sita Slavov, Tran T. Phu-Duyen)

Impacts of increasing retirement age on mental health across income groups in the USA (Tran T. Phu-Duyen)

Retirement financing and health outcomes among older Australians: how saving for retirement also saves lives (Tran T. Phu-Duyen, Paula Lorgelly, Mohammad Salimifar)

Under review Vo, T., **Phu-Duyen, T.T.**, Nguyen, X.D. & Truong, T.H. (n.d.). Impacts of trade liberalization on household nutrition transition: the Vietnam case.

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## Research grants

- 2023 - 2025
- **Food loss in the Catfish (Pangasius) Value Chain of the Mekong River Basin**
  - Funded by: [Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research \(ACIAR\)](#)
  - Funding amount: 1,441,700 AUD
  - Role: Develop concept notes, coordinate stakeholders, conduct a systematic review, organize workshops and training activities, design surveys and interviews, and write reports.
- 2023 - 2025
- **The impact of local healthcare quality on domestic immigration decision: the case of Vietnam**
  - Funded by: Ministry of Education and Training (MOET), Vietnam
  - Funding amount: 16,411 USD
  - Role: Key researcher
  - Outcomes: two peer-reviewed papers
- 2020 - 2023
- **The impacts of trade liberalization on intra-household allocation and nutrition transition in Vietnam**
  - Funded by: [National Foundation for Science and Technology Development \(NAFOSTED\)](#)
  - Funding amount: 30,633 USD
  - Role: Key researcher
  - Outcomes: two peer-reviewed papers

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## Other training

- 01/2023 **Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative (YSEALI) Public Policy Seminar** on Southeast Asia's economic integration amid global turbulence, at YSEALI Academy, Fulbright University Vietnam.
- 08/2022 **International Development Studies** (online, 15-credit Master course), University of Oslo (UiO) Summer School, Norway. Funded by UiO summer scholarship.
- 03/2022 **Management of Development Projects and Programmes** (online, funded by **Orange Knowledge Programmes (OKP)** scholarship, MDF Training & Consultancy, the Netherlands.

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## Skills

Research skill	Impact evaluation, systematic review, questionnaire/survey/interview design
Data analysis	Stata, R, SQL
Data visualization	Canva, Infographic, Video editing
Languages	Vietnamese (native), English (IELTS 8.0)
Others	L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X