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Education

University of California - Davis

PH.D., POLITICAL SCIENCE

- International Relations & Methods
- Advisor: Dr. Daniel Y. Kono

Davis, CA, U.S.A.

Fall 2019 - 2025 (expected)

Seoul National University | Graduate School of Public Administration

M.A., PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

- Public policy
- Advisor: Dr. MinGyo Koo

Seoul, South Korea

Fall 2017 - Spring 2019

Sciences Po | Paris School of International Affairs

INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC POLICY PROGRAM

- Exchange student

Paris, France

Fall 2018

Seoul National University | College of Liberal Studies

B.A., INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & COMMUNICATION

- Graduated with *summa cum laude*

Seoul, South Korea

Spring 2010 - Fall 2015

Publications & Working Papers

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

“Looking Outside or Inside?: The Effects of Trade Bureaucracy on Trade Dispute Behavior,” *Asian Journal of WTO & International Health Law and Policy* (forthcoming, with JungHyun Han)

“South Korea’s Renewable Energy Policy: Coming Together or Drifting Apart?,” *Journal of International and Area Studies*, Vol. 25 No. 2 (2018 Dec) (with Min Gyo Koo)

PUBLISHED WORKS

“Greening the WTO: A Lost Cause or Potential Solution?,” *Journal of World Trade*, Vol. 49 No.4 (2025 August) with Jaemin Lee

“A comment on Herzog, Baron, and Gibbons (2022),” *I4R Discussion Paper Series*, No. 97, Institute for Replication (I4R) with Haley Daarstad and Timea Balogh

INVITATION TO REVISE & RESUBMIT

“Is Trade the Enemy of Environment? - Congressional Voting on Environmental Policies after the China Shock,” R&R at *International Interactions*

WORKING PAPERS

Green Protectionism in the Eyes of the Beholder

Trade Competition and the Demand for Environmental Deregulation co-authoring with Lauren Peritz (under review)

Securitization of Trade Among American Public co-authoring with Brandon Kinne (under review)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Effects of Parties’ Issue Ownership on the Perceived Economy-Environment Trade-Off co-authoring with Timea Balogh

Green Spending in Times of Economic Hardship co-authoring with J. Hovi, N. Kupzok, V. Tørstad, J. Urpelainen, J.M. Valenzuela

Awards, Fellowships, & Grants

- 2023 **Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grants**, American Political Science Association
Bret Hewitt Distinguished Qualifying Exam Award, UC Davis Political Science Department
2023 Graduate Research Award, UC Davis Political Science Department
- 2022 **Summer Collaborative Research Grant**, UC Davis Political Science Department
Graduate Student Association's Spring 2022 Travel, UC Davis Graduate Student Association
- 2020 **Alan Templeton Dissertation Improvement Award**, UC Davis Political Science Department
- 2019 **Leading Universities & Students for Smart Governance Fellowship**, Brain Korea 21

Presentations & Conferences

PRESENTER

- September 10, 2024. **"Green Spending in Times of Economic Hardship"**, 2024 American Political Science Association, Philadelphia
- June 19, 2024. **"Green Protectionism in the Eyes of the Beholder: An experimental research on protectionism in climate change legislation"**, 2024 Environmental Governance and Politics, Quebec City
- April 3, 2024. **"Do Trade Shocks Mean Fewer Green Bills? - US Congressional Voting on Environmental Policy after China Shock"**, 2024 International Studies Association, San Francisco
- August 31, 2023. **"Trade Competition and the Demand for Environmental Deregulation"**, 2023 American Political Science Association, Los Angeles
- May 19, 2023. **"Do Ends Justify Means? Protectionism in the Era of Climate Change"**, 2023 Climate Change Pipeline Workshop, hosted by Brown University
- April 6, 2023. **"Do Trade Shocks Mean Fewer Green Bills? - US Congressional Voting on Environmental Policy after China Shock"**, Western Political Science Association, San Francisco
- February 23, 2023. **"Trading with China, Is It Really a Security Issue?, Causes of Securitization of Trade Among American Public"**, The Pacific International Politics Conference Online Speakers Series (PIPICOSS), virtual
- December 12, 2022. **"Trading with China, Is It Really a Security Issue?, Causes of Securitization of Trade Among American Public"**, 2022 Graduate Students of IPE Fall Workshop, virtual
- June 16, 2022. **"Do Trade Shocks Mean Fewer Green Bills? - US Congressional Voting on Environmental Policy after China Shock"**, 2022 Climate Change Pipeline Workshop, hosted by Harvard University
- May 10, 2022. **"Do Trade Shocks Mean Fewer Green Bills? - US Congressional Voting on Environmental Policy after China Shock"**, 2022 GSIPE Spring Mini-conference on IPE of the Environment, virtual Political Economy
- April 9, 2022. **"Looking Outside or Looking Inside?: The Effects of Trade Bureaucracy Design on Trade Dispute Behavior"**, Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago
- May 7, 2021. **"Role of Self-Reports in the WTO - Is it Costly Signal or Cheap Talk?"**, Political Science Research Workshop, hosted by UC Davis, Political Science Department
- August 18-20, 2018. **"South Korea's Renewable Energy Policy: Promoting or Restricting Competition?"**, 2018 Busan SNU-AIRMAP International Conference, hosted by SNU GSPA BK21

DISCUSSANT

- May 18, 2018. **Developing Your Tools to Develop Yourself: Africa's Next Generation of Policy Makers and the Need for Authentic Development Paths**, 5th Youth Forum – Korea Changing Development Landscape in Africa, hosted by Hanyang University Institute for Euro-African Studies

Teaching Experience

Graduate Level Methods Sequence - Teaching Assistant	Fall 2024	<i>UC Davis</i>
Environmental Politics and Administration - Associate Instructor	Spring 2024	<i>UC Davis</i>
The Scientific Study of Politics - Section Instructor (Prof. Christopher Hare)	Winter 2024, Spring 2023	<i>UC Davis</i>
The Scientific Study of Politics - Section Instructor (Prof. Juan Tellez)	Fall 2023, 2022, 2011	<i>UC Davis</i>
The Scientific Study of Politics - Section Instructor (Prof. McCage Griffith)	Winter 2023	<i>UC Davis</i>
Politics of Inequality - Teaching Assistant (Prof. Sarah Prince)	Spring 2022	<i>UC Davis</i>
The Scientific Study of Politics - Section Instructor (Prof. Rachel Bernhard)	Winter 2022	<i>UC Davis</i>
Politics of Interdependence - Teaching Assistant (Prof. Daniel Y. Kono)	Fall 2020	<i>UC Davis</i>
The Arab-Israeli Conflict - Teaching Assistant (Prof. Zeev Maoz)	Spring 2020	<i>UC Davis</i>
Politics of Interdependence - Teaching Assistant (Prof. Heather McKibben)	Winter 2019	<i>UC Davis</i>
Global Citizens, Patriotism & Nationalism - Teaching Assistant (Prof. Kyung-Koo Han)	Spring 2018	<i>SNU</i>
UNESCO World Heritage - Instructor at Seoul Youth Center	Spring 2012	
English - Tutor at Yeomyung School (North Korean Defectors' School)	Winter 2011	

Professional Experience

The Asan Nanum Foundation Global Leadership & Education Team PROGRAM MANAGER	<i>Seoul, Korea</i> May 2015 – Dec 2015
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Managed Asan Frontier Academy, capacity building program for mid-level managers working in the non-profit sectorOrganized end-of-the-year event for the Asan Frontier Academy alumni	
UNESCO World Heritage Education Programme PROGRAM INTERN	<i>Paris, France</i> Jan 2013 – Jun 2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Coordinated World Heritage Volunteer projects with other NGOsAssisted in production and distribution of educative materials such as animated video of “Patrimoinito”	
Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA) Capacity Development Program RESEARCH INTERN	<i>Seongnam, Korea</i> Jan 2012 – Feb 2012
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Assisted in KOICA-JICA meeting on joint planning multi-year training program, and in coordination of international conferences on Korean and Korean culture, as part of follow-up managementResearched ways to improve follow-up management of KOICA training programs	
GCAP Korea Making a Better World through Translation Protram TRANSLATOR	<i>Seoul, Korea</i> Mar - Jul 2011
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Translated international development related documents from English to Korean, such as Accra Agenda for Action	

Service

Speaker Night for Davis Women in Business Served as a graduate student panelist in a career development event for undergraduates	<i>UC Davis</i> May 2024
Graduate Students in International Political Economy (GSIPE) (Event Team) Organized and coordinated virtual mini-conferences and in-person social events	<i>Virtual</i> Jun 2022 - May 2023
Mentor-Mentee Program in Humanities, Arts, Cultural Studies and Social Sciences Mentored undergraduates on research and professional development	<i>UC Davis</i> Nov 2021 - Jun 2023
Political Science Advising and Mentoring Focus Group Participated in a focus group discussion on how to improve the department	<i>UC Davis</i> May 2022
Graduate Association of Political Science Students (Social Coordinator) Organized social events for the graduate students in the department	<i>UC Davis</i> Oct 2020 - Sep 2021
IR Research Group (Organizer) Organized monthly meetings to discuss research ideas for IR graduate students	<i>UC Davis</i> Mar 2020 - Sep 2021

SNU Undergraduate Peer Mentor-Mentee Program

Mentored students in lower years on academic research, and English language skills

Court & Media Monitoring (Volunteer)

Monitored open trials at the Seoul Central District Court and media reports

SNU

Sep 2013 - Dec 2014

Good Law Organization

Jul - Aug 2013

Skills & Interests

LANGUAGES

Korean (native), English (fluent), French (advanced), Spanish (intermediate)

PROGRAMMING

R (advanced), \LaTeX (intermediate), Python (beginner)

References

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