

# Woo Seong Yang

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Natural Language Processing, Recommender systems, Knowledge-based systems

- Developing algorithms that extract valuable information and knowledge from real-world data.
- Developing systems that solve real-world problems.

## EDUCATION

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M.S., Computer Science

Sep. 2021 – Present

The University of Texas at Dallas (UTD) / Richardson, Texas, United States

- Master of Thesis (Advisor: Prof. Latifur Khan)

M.S., Industrial Engineering

Mar. 2019 – Feb. 2021

Sungkyunkwan University (SKKU) / Seoul, South Korea

- Thesis:

“Source Domain Identification and Cross-domain Knowledge Transfer Method to Alleviate Data Sparsity Problem in Session-based Recommender Systems”

- Member of Intelligent Web Technology Laboratory (Advisor: Prof. Mye Sohn)
- Main research domain: Recommender Systems

IITP Executive Education Course., Computer Science

Jan. 2020 – Jul. 2020

Carnegie Mellon University (CMU), LTI / Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, United States

- Intensive Program in Artificial Intelligence (Director: Prof. Jaime Callan)
- Fully funded by Korean Government (IITP)

B.S., Systems Management Engineering

Mar. 2013 – Feb. 2019

Sungkyunkwan University (SKKU) / Seoul, South Korea

## PUBLICATION

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“**Homogeneous Ensemble Instance Intervals Determination Method of Time Series Data Based on Granular Computing**”, Jaewoong Kang, **Woosong Yang** and Mye Sohn, International Journal of Machine Learning and Computing”, 10.6, 2020 (Second author)

## DOMESTIC PRESENTATION

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“**Solving the cold-start problem in session-based recommender systems exploiting cross-domain knowledge**”, **Woosong Yang**, Haein Lee and Mye Sohn, Korea Management Engineers Society, 2020. (Presenter)

“**Context-aware hashtag recommendation in image-centric SNS**”, **Woosong Yang**, Jongmo Kim and Mye Sohn, Korea Management Engineers Society, 2019. (Presenter)

“**A study on the construction of digital twin applications based on worker motion data**”, Youngwook Nam, **Woosong Yang**, Kyoham Shin, Dong-Hyuk Yang, Future Factory Conference, 2019. (Presenter)

## PROJECTS

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“**Elements: Data: Sustaining Modern Infrastructure For Political and Social Event Data**”, National Science Foundation (NSF) (Part-time researcher)

Jul. 2022 - Present

- Conducting research on building domain-specific multi-lingual language model (BERT).
- Participating in data crawling, training language model and conducting model-evaluating downstream tasks.

**“Development of e-CPS(Cyber-Physical System) platform for solving social and psychological alienation problems of elderly people based on machine learning and Internet Of Things (IOT)”, National Research Foundation of Korea (NRF) (Full-time researcher)** Mar.2019 - Dec. 2019, Aug. 2020 - Jan. 2021

- Conducted research on the context-aware hashtag recommendation in image-centric SNS.
- Conducted research on interval determination method of time series data based on granular computing.

**“Ontology model development and information management technique research for collaborative information management”, Agency for Defense Development (ADD) (Full-time researcher)** Mar. 2019 - Dec. 2019

- Participated in constructing domain ontology that is needed to fuse information occurred from different battlefield.
- Participated in developing prototype of tactic repository that shows the process of information extraction and information fusion using domain ontology.

## AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

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**IITP EXECUTIVE EDUCATION COURSE IN CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY** Jan. 2020 - Jul. 2020  
Institute of Information & communications Technology Planning & Evaluation (IITP)

- Studied in Carnegie Mellon University supported by IITP grant funded by Korean government (Ministry of Science and ICT)

**KOREA INDUSTRY INTELLIGENTIZATION ASSOCIATION AWARD** Dec. 2019  
Future Factory Conference organized by Korean Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy

- Constructed a digital twin based on cyber physical system technology using worker motion data, designed an application that supports decision-making and applied through comparative analysis of factory design plans including human-machine collaboration processes.

**VMS SOLUTIONS SCHOLARSHIP** 2019  
VMS Solutions Co. Ltd.

- Selected as a scholarship student due to excellent academic performance and excellent research quality.

## EXPERIENCES

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**Universal User Experience Design Lab (U2X Design Lab)** Suwon, South Korea  
(Research Intern) Jan. 2019 – Jun. 2019

- Performed as research internship at U2X Design Lab in Sungkyunkwan University that mainly focuses on Human Computer Interaction (HCI) research.
- Studied HCI papers and conducted project on cognitive engineering using Arduino kit.

**Mycelebs, Inc** Seoul, South Korea  
(Intern) Summer 2016

- Performed an internship at Mycelebs that is artificial intelligence (AI) start-up based on recommender systems.
- Collected data from web environment and preprocessed for the learning of the systems.

## SKILLS

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**Computer Programming**

- Python (Pytorch, Tensorflow); C/C++

**English Proficiency**

- IBT TOEFL: Reading (29), Listening (28), Speaking (22), Writing (21)