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Education

Sookmyung Women's University (SMU)

Seoul, Korea

Master of Arts in Psychology (Psychology and Law/Psychology of Criminal Behavior)

Mar. 2018 - Aug. 2020

- Thesis: Differences in Victim and Perpetrator Blaming by Crime Type, Victim-Perpetrator Relationship, and Victim's Alcohol Consumption (Advisor: Jisun Park)

Bachelor of Arts (Social Psychology)

Mar. 2013 - Feb. 2018

- Outstanding Alumni Award (for community services), President of the General Alumni Association of the College of Social Sciences

Publications

- Jo, E., Seo, K., Nam, B., Shin, D., Kim, S., Jeong, Y., Kim, A., & Kim, Y. (2023). Deterioration of Mental Health in Children and Adolescents during the COVID-19 Pandemic. *Journal of Korean Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry*, 34(1), 21-29. [\[link\]](#)
- Kang, E., Kim, J., Jo, S., ..., Jo, E., Kim, J., & Lee, I. (2022). *Establishment of Data on the Actual Conditions and Trends of Major Crimes (I): Sexual Crimes.*, Korean Institute of Criminology and Justice, Seoul. [\[link\]](#)
- Jo, E., & Park, J. (2021). Difference in the Judgment of Homicide by Offender's Ethnicity and Gender (In Korean). *Korean Criminological Review*, 32(4), 63-90. [\[link\]](#)
- Jo, E., & Park, J. (2020). Differences of Victim Blaming in Rape and Assault: Mediating Effects of Ambivalent Sexism and Acceptance of Interpersonal Violence (In Korean). *Korean Journal of Social and Personality Psychology*, 34(1), 45-66. [\[link\]](#)

Presentations

- Jo, E., & Park, J. (Oral Presentation). Differences in Victim and Perpetrator Blaming by Crime Type, Victim-Perpetrator Relationship, and Victim's Alcohol Consumption. *The 14th Biennial Conference of the Asian Association of Social Psychology (virtual)*. Jul. 2021

Research Experience

University of Michigan

Ann Arbor, MI

Lab Manager, Mind in Society Lab (P.I.: Nicholas Camp)

Jul. 2023 - Current

- Programmed experiments related to space perception, representation of police, and cultural differences
- Developed and maintained lab infrastructure

Dongguk University Ilsan Hospital

Ilsan, Korea

Researcher, Department of Mental Health

Jul. 2022 - Dec. 2022

A study on Student Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Promotion Policy: The Analysis of Case Reports on Student Suicide and In-depth Analysis of the Causes of Suicide in Children and Adolescents based on Reports of Bereaved Families (Sponsored by the National Research Foundation and the Ministry of Education) [confidential]

- Researched deteriorated mental health and increased suicide of youth across the world during the COVID-19 pandemic and wrote a manuscript for a review paper about the effect of COVID-19 on adolescents and children
- Analyzed public policies about mental health issues from foreign countries and wrote manuscripts for suggestion and conclusion sections of reports

Korean Institute of Criminology and Justice

Researcher, Crime Analysis and Survey Research Division

Seoul, Korea

May 2021 - Mar. 2022

Establishment of Data on the Actual Conditions and Trends of Major Crimes (I): Sexual Crimes [\[link\]](#)

- Collected data from the legal judgments on sexual crime cases that have occurred in the past six years (1,000+ cases)
- Elaborated data collecting system and created a data coding book
- Developed charts and figures for the report to facilitate understanding of recent statistics on sexual crimes

Development of Standard Curriculum for Gender-Sensitive Education (Sponsored by the Ministry of National Defense) [confidential]

- Presented a report summary on sexual harassment in the military
- Assisted senior researchers with analyzing the data and created additional materials for the course based on the real sexual harassment cases in the Korean military

Development of Education Contents to Prevent Secondary Victimization against Women: for public officers (Sponsored by the Ministry of Gender Equality and Family) [confidential]

- Managed contacting the advisory committees from the police, military, governmental organizations, and other research institutes and administrated the online meetings
- Revised the final textbooks and inspected the video class

Establishment of Data on the Actual Conditions and Trends of Major Crimes (II): Robbery and Theft [forthcoming]

- Collected previous research papers and categorized them by topic

Sookmyung Women's University

Research Assistant

Seoul, Korea

Jul. 2020 - Dec. 2020

A Report on the Overseas Advanced System in Sports (Sponsored by the National Human Rights Commission of Korea) [\[link\]](#)

- Created an updated version of flow charts of the organizations relevant to the Olympics Committees in 8 countries
- Systematically collected and reviewed research papers and assisted in translating them into Korean

Sookmyung Women's University

Research Assistant

Seoul, Korea

Oct. 2020 - Nov. 2020

Research on Immigrated Children and Youth and Support Measures (Sponsored by the Seoul Metropolitan Government) [\[link\]](#)

- Transcribed six interviews with teenagers, parents, and teachers from immigrant schools

Research Institute of Asian Women

Research Assistant

Seoul, Korea

Mar. 2020 - Aug. 2020

- Collected previous studies or cases about gendered violence, multicultural society, and legal decisions which adopted gendered perspectives
- Commented on research project plans to share college students' opinion

Sookmyung Women's University

Research Assistant, Department of Social Psychology

Seoul, Korea

Sep. 2018 - Aug. 2019

- Assisted the courses of Professor Jisun Park and implemented an online survey with google forms

Undergraduate Research Project, SMU*A Study on the Perceptions and Fear of Criminal Voyeurism in Korea***Seoul, Korea**

Sep. 2016 - Jan. 2017

- Funded by SMU, as winning an undergraduate research support competition
- Reviewed previous research about criminal voyeurism, designed the research, conducted the survey, analyzed data, and wrote a report

Professional Experience**Seoul Metropolitan Police**

External Advisor

Seoul, Korea

Jan. 2022

- Evaluated reports of crime damage assessment in 2021 to decide on the re-appointment of trainees

Korean Social and Personality Psychological Association & Police Stations (Geumcheon, Gwanak)

Trainee Forensic Psychologist (Senior, On-call position)

Seoul, Korea

Mar. 2018 - Present

- Reported an assessment of recidivism factors of juvenile delinquents based on PAI (Personality Assessment Inventory) examination and interview

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| Korean Association of Psychology and Law | Seoul, Korea |
| <i>Coordinator</i> , Committee of Education and Management of Crime Damage Assessment | Dec. 2020 - Feb. 2021 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordinated a crime damage assessment expert program for trainee candidates Executed budget, rented facilities, and prepared educational materials | |
| Sookmyung Women's University | Seoul, Korea |
| <i>Graduate Assistant</i> , Department of Social Psychology | Sep. 2018 - Aug. 2019 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charged with administrative work for the graduate school of Social Psychology using the SAP ERP program and supported the dean of the department | |
| <i>Graduate Assistant</i> , Sookmyung Business School | Mar. 2018 - Aug. 2018 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charged with administrative work and supported department events | |
| Korean Association of Psychology and Law | Seoul, Korea |
| <i>Assistant Coordinator</i> , Committee of Education and Management of Crime Damage Assessment | Feb. 2018, Aug. 2019 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assisted the primary coordinator with preparing educational materials and class | |
| Seoul Metropolitan Government | Seoul, Korea |
| <i>Internship</i> , Judicial Affairs Division | Mar. 2017 - Jul. 2017 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assisted legal officers and proofread administrative rules and Seoul Metropolitan Government autonomous laws | |

Awards & Honors

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| 1. Fulbright Alternate Candidate for a 2023 Graduate Student Program Award , Fulbright Korea | Sep. 2022 |
| 2. Paper Award (based on the MA thesis), Korean Association of Psychology and Law | Nov. 2020 |
| 3. Research Support Scholarship (based on the published research article), Graduate School of SMU | Feb. 2020 |
| 4. Research Scholarship (based on the research plan for the MA thesis), Jang-hoon Scholarship Foundation | Jul. 2019 |
| 5. Academic Excellence Scholarship (Winter 2017, Winter 2016, Summer 2015), SMU | 2015 - 2017 |
| 6. Leadership Scholarship (for community services), Department of Social Psychology, SMU | 2015 |
| 7. Excellence Award (for high performance), Center for Teaching & Learning of SMU | Jun. 2014 |
| 8. Department Recommendation Scholarship , Department of Social Psychology, SMU | Feb. 2014 |
| 9. Industrial Bank of Korea Scholarship (based on need), Industrial Bank of Korea | Aug. 2014 |
| 10. Yoido Full Gospel Church Scholarship 2014 (for community services), Yoido Full Gospel Church | Dec. 2013 |

Teaching & Mentoring

Invited Talks

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| • <i>Research on Victim and Perpetrator Blaming by Crime Type</i> (Course: Career Development in Psychology) | Jun. 2020 |
| • <i>Analysis of Femininity Presented in K-Pop: Focused on Ga-in's Song Lyrics</i> (Course: Minority Research) | Jun. 2018 |

Mentoring

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| • Mentored an Undergraduate Research Team | Nov. 2020 |
| Advised on the report on gerontophobia and gender perspective in Korea (2020 Research Institute of Asian Women International Conference, Seoul, Korea) | |
| • Founded a Research Group on Feminist Issues | Sep. 2019 – Feb. 2020 |
| Founded a research group for students who are interested in research and shared opinions on feminist articles with teammates once a week | |
| • Invited as a Mentor for Undergraduate Students Who are Pursuing a Research Career | Mar. 2018 |
| (Course: Career Development in Psychology) | |
| • Mentored a Middle School Student in Need (Industrial Bank of Korea Foundation) | Jan. 2015 - Dec. 2015 |
| Supported the student to have diverse cultural experiences and career-seeking | |
| • Mentored as a Department Representative (Global Leadership Workshop, Center for Global Human Resources Development of Sookmyung Women's University) | Jan. 2015 - Feb. 2015 |
| Presented an overview of the psychology major and mentored career-seeking for high school students | |

Relevant Experiences

Translation Suitability Assessment

May. 2021

Department of Social Psychology, Sookmyung Women's University

- Assessed the suitability of the Institutional Betrayal Questionnaire Ver. 2 translation (from Eng. to Kor.) that was used for a published journal article

Sookmyung Feminists Association

Sep. 2015 - Aug. 2018

Sookmyung Women's University

- Selected with a discussion paper for a club newspaper based on the *Invisible Women: Data Bias in a World Designed for Men* by Caroline Criado Perez
- Coordinator and moderator of major events (Women's week, homecoming, orientation, and school festival)

Volunteered for the Psychological Examination Day

Sep. 2016

Sookmyung Women's University

- Assisted counselors with examining college students' depression and anxiety, using short-form scales

Global Exploration Project (funded trip)

May 2014 - Aug. 2015

Sookmyung Women's University

Crossing the Berlin Wall to the 38th parallel line: Could we become one?

- Visited Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, Philipps-Universität Marburg, and Berlin for a joint seminar and field trip
- Presented in a joint seminar: *A Psychological Study on Unification*
- Conducted research applying the conflict model to the conflict and prejudice toward the North Korean defector

Student Council of the Department of Social Psychology

Mar. 2013 - Dec. 2015

Sookmyung Women's University

- President of the student council (2015), director of the planning and execution team (2014), and member (2013)
- Created an alumni night for department students and developed a detailed schedule

Study Group for Physiological Psychology (Excellence Award)

Mar. 2014 - Jun. 2014

Center for Teaching & Learning of Sookmyung Women's University

- Managed group study for one semester and submitted the final report for a physiological psychology class as a leader

Academic Clubs of the Department of Social Psychology

- Social Psychology Reading Club: Studied sociology and philosophy by reading books Mar. 2014 - Feb. 2015
- Social Psychology English Debating Club: Discussed movies with academic perspectives Mar. 2013 - Feb. 2014

Certificates & Additional Skill

Certificates

- Survey Analyst, Junior*, Human Resources Development Service of Korea (Nov. 2017)
- Computer Specialist in Spreadsheet & Database, Level-2*, Korea Chamber of Commerce and Industry (Dec. 2017)

Languages: *Korean* (native), *English* (professional working proficiency), *Japanese* (beginner), *Catalan* (beginner)

Software & Programming: *SPSS* (proficient), *R* (experienced), *Python* (experienced), *JavaScript* (experienced), *HTML* (experienced), *jsPsych* (experienced), *PsychoPy* (experienced)

Professional Memberships

Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Korean Psychological Association, Korean Social and Personality Psychological Association