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RESEARCH INTERESTS	Substantive: Parties, Congress, Interest Groups, Legislative Politics Methods: Text-As-Data, Machine Learning, Causal Inference	
EDUCATION	University of California, Los Angeles , Los Angeles, CA Ph.D. Candidate, Political Science Expected June 2025 Diss. <i>The Primary Connection: How Groups Control Lawmaking in Congress</i> My dissertation explores the influence of early donors in congressional lawmaking, with a focus on a new group of highly loyal donors that I term <i>seed donors</i> —those who contribute to legislators during their first open-seat primaries. I examine the extent to which these donors’ policy preferences are reflected in Members of Congress’ legislative behavior, particularly in their committee assignments and hearing speeches. - Kathleen Bawn (C), Jeff Lewis, Chris Tausanovitch, Dan Thompson - Subfields: American Politics, Quantitative Methods <i>Medical Leave of Absence: Dec 2022 - Aug 2023</i> Yonsei University , Seoul, Korea B.A., Political Science and Diplomacy August 2018 B.A., Applied Statistics	
WORKING PAPERS	“Committee Assignment Power in State Legislatures.” <i>Under Review</i> “First to Come, Last to Leave: An Analysis on Seed Donors and Politicians” “Whose Champion? Investigating Legislators’ Priorities in Committee Hearings”	
PEER - REVIEWED ARTICLES	Whang, Taehee, Seo, Jeongkun, and Chun, A Young. 2017. “Analyzing Economic Sanctions of the United States” (In Korean). <i>Korean Political Science Review</i> 57(4): 191-216. Chun, A Young and Whang, Taehee. 2017. “Counting Chickens: Examining the Reputation Effect in Economic Sanctions.” <i>Korean Political Science Review</i> 57(3): 53-79.	

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS	PolMeth: 2017 (Asia), 2018 (Asia) American Political Science Association: 2017, 2024 (Virtual), 2024 Midwest Political Science Association: 2017, 2024 International Studies Association: 2017 Women in Legislative Studies: 2024
GRANTS, AWARDS, AND FELLOWSHIPS	Virginia Gray Graduate Student Research Award , APSA Political Organizations and Parties Section, 2024, \$300 Profession Travel Grant , APSA Committee on the Status of Disability, 2024, \$250 Dissertation Year Fellowship , UCLA, 2024-2025, \$20,000 Edwin W. Pauley Fellowship , UCLA, 2018 & 2021, \$30,000 Graduate Summer Research Mentorship Award , UCLA, 2020, \$6,000 Graduate Dean's Scholar Award , UCLA, 2018 - 2020, \$14,500 SoCal Alumni Scholarship , Yonsei University, 2019, \$1,000 Political Science Alumni Scholarship , Yonsei University, 2016, \$1,000
TEACHING EXPERIENCE (UCLA)	Instructor Undergrad <i>Data in Theory and Practice</i> (Spring 24) Teaching Assistant Graduate <i>Engaged Social Science</i> (Winter 24) Graduate <i>Social Science Research and Perspectives</i> (Fall 23) Undergrad <i>Intro to American Politics</i> (Fall 18, 22; Spring 21; Winter 22) Undergrad <i>The Presidency</i> (Fall 21) Undergrad <i>American Political Development</i> (Winter 21) Undergrad <i>Intro to Data Analysis</i> (Spring 20, 22) Undergrad <i>World Politics</i> (Fall 20; Winter 20) Undergrad <i>Intro to Sociology</i> (Fall 24)
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SKILLS	R, Python, Stata, git/GitHub, L ^A T _E X, HTML