

# Bumjun Park *Ph.D. Student*

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## PROFILE

Doctoral student in Biostatistics. Undergraduate statistics major with certificates in mathematics and economic analytics. Interests in spatial, environmental statistics, functional data analysis, and survey sampling methods. Proficient in R and Python. Native speaker of Korean and English. Intermediate level of Spanish and French.

## EDUCATION

September 2023 –  
August 2028(expected)  
Seattle, WA

### **University of Washington**

*Ph. D. in Biostatistics*

September 2018 –  
May 2023  
Madison, WI

### **University of Wisconsin-Madison**

*BS in Statistics, Cert. in Mathematics and Economic Analytics*  
(GPA: 4.0/4.0)

March 2015 –  
February 2018  
Yongin, South Korea

### **Hankuk Academy of Foreign Studies**

*High School Diploma*  
(GPA: 4.0/4.0)

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

September 2023 –  
present  
Seattle, WA

### **Research Assistant**

*Professor Eardi Lila, Department of Biostatistics, University of Washington*

- Worked on a team led by Professor Mahmud Mossa-Basha, Department of Radiology, UW-Medicine and studied novel statistical methods such as multivariate functional data analysis methods for predicting ischemic stroke.
- Investigated and developed quantitative models for reclassifying Embolic Strokes of Undetermined Source (ESUS) using cerebral vessel wall MRI data.

September 2022 –  
May 2023  
Madison, WI

### **Data Analyst**

*Professor Jonathan Patz Lab, Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies, UW-Madison* 

- Assisted researchers and graduate students at the Patz lab in preprocessing and processing data from projects in areas ranging from environmental policy, air quality, or epidemiology.
- Fitted statistical models such as spatial random forests to investigate the relationship between incidences of malaria prevalence in Kenya and vegetation coverage, insecticide-treated net distribution, precipitation, and livestock population.

May 2022 – May 2023  
Madison, WI

#### Research Assistant

Professor Chris Zahasky, Department of Geoscience, UW-Madison [🔗](#)

- Implemented web-scraping algorithms to collect data of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) concentration levels provided by the U.S. Air Force, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, and other state-level environmental agencies.
- Provided data visualizations of the geo-statistical data and built an Inhomogeneous Poisson Process model to predict PFAS concentration levels after adjusting for opportunistically sampled data.

February 2022 –  
May 2023  
Madison, WI

#### Research Assistant

Professor Stephen Gammie, Department of Integrative Biology, UW-Madison

- Collaborated with three other assistants to clean, preprocess, and analyze, RNA-sequencing gene expression data of mice with Alzheimer's disease, collected from multiple platforms to identify differentially expressed genes.
- Collected gene expressions data of Parkinson's disease and Alzheimer's disease patients, wrote and implemented programming methods to process the data, and fitted a machine learning classification model by identifying top-scoring differential gene pairs.

September 2019 –  
July 2021  
Osan, South Korea

#### Aviation Control, Squadron Leader

2nd Squadron, 31st Air Defense and Control, Republic of Korea Air Force

- Served as the squadron leader, leading and representing 20 servicemen of the 2nd Control Squadron.
- Interpreted RADAR and GPS data and communicated with flight agencies to identify aircraft. Regularly presented and explained aviation data to other military officials and civilian pilots.

## PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

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March 16th, 2023

**B. Park, H. Kang, W. Gnesda, and C. Zahasky. Groundwater Contamination of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances in the United States - Insights from an Ecological Sampling Bias Correction Method**  
*American Water Resources Association - Wisconsin Section, Reconnecting with Wisconsin's Water and Water Scientists*  
Poster presentation of research project displaying a PFAS contamination risk map, applying bias correction methods of observer biases in ecological sampling.

November 7th, 2022

**B. Park, W. Gnesda, and C. Zahasky. Groundwater Contamination of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances in the United States — Insights from a Random Forest Model**

*Water@UW-Madison Fall Art & Poster Session*

Poster presentation of research project displaying a national risk map of PFAS contamination.

November 2nd, 2022

**T. Leffler, R. Hoffman, B. Park, J. Patz. Malaria Risk and Forest Cover Change in Kenya: A Geospatial Analysis**

*Planetary Health Alliance Annual Meeting 2022*

Poster presentation inspecting the relationship between vegetation and Malaria in Kenya for which statistical analyses and visualizations were provided.

## AWARDS

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April 28th, 2022

**UW-Madison Undergraduate Scholarship for Summer Study**

June 27th, 2018

**Wisconsin Alumni Association Korea Chapter (WAAK) Scholarship**

**Dean's List**

2018 Fall, 2019 Spring, 2021 Fall, 2022 Spring, 2022 Fall, 2023 Spring

## SKILLS

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### **R Programming**

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Data visualization (ggplot2, plotly), processing (dplyr), Bioconductor packages (limma, GEOquery), R Markdown documenting, etc.

### **Python Programming**

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Data processing (pandas), visualization (seaborn), Uniform Manifold Approximation and Projection etc.

### **GIS**

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Processing raster or vector data for geostatistical analyses such as Triangulated Irregular Network, and formatting the data for use in R or Python

### **SQL**

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Querying and joining relational databases

## CERTIFICATES

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**Certified Associate in Python Programming** 

Python Institute

## COURSES

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### **STAT512: Statistical Inference**

Fall 2023 / Instructor: Ema Perkovic

### **STAT513: Statistical Inference**

Spring 2024 / Instructor: Zaid Harchaoui

### **BIOST514: Biostatistics I**

Fall 2023 / Instructor: Ken Rice

### **BIOST515: Biostatistics II**

Spring 2024 / Instructor: Amy Willis

### **BIOST555: Statistical Methods for Spatial Epidemiology**

Spring 2024 / Instructor: Jon Wakefield