

Service Statement

I believe that an academic community can only thrive when its members are eager to support each other. I am proud to be part of the Economics community, which embodies this spirit of mutual assistance. Having benefited greatly from the help of not only my advisors but also other faculty members, visiting scholars, postdocs, journal editors and referees, and peer graduate students, I am committed to giving back and being an active participant in this vibrant academic environment.

Below, I outline my service experiences and efforts to strengthen our academic communities, along with discussing my plans for future contributions.

Service Experience

My commitment to service began during my undergraduate years at Yonsei University in Korea, well before joining the Ph.D. program at Princeton. I was an active member of the Junior Scholar Club (JSC), a group dedicated to preparing undergraduates for Ph.D. studies in Economics. As the Academic Affairs Chair, I organized weekly reading groups and intervarsity academic conferences, providing a platform for scholarly discussion and exchange.

Additionally, leveraging my experiences with Ph.D. applications, I have provided guidance to undergraduates at Yonsei and, subsequently, at Princeton. My support extends beyond current students; as a Yonsei alumnus, I continue to contribute to the community by presenting at Yonsei Macro Meetings during my PhD studies, thus serving both the Yonsei and broader Korean Economics academics.

During my Ph.D. studies at Princeton University, I have endeavored to maintain and contribute to the spirit of our intellectual community. As a Ph.D. student, I believe that the best contribution I can make is to be a supportive colleague to other graduate students, and that a positive academic environment stems from strong interpersonal relationships. To foster a strong sense of community, I maintain close relationships with my peers and strive to be a good and accessible friend. I support my colleagues not only in their research endeavors but also in their daily lives. My approach includes small, thoughtful gestures, such as keeping our shared office clean and enhancing the environment with decorations, like bringing in a Christmas tree during the holiday season. Additionally, I host gatherings at my home where I share homemade Korean food, further strengthening our bonds and enriching our collective experience.

Research-wise, I strive to be a supportive colleague. I attend both the Macro/International Macro and Trade student workshops each week, where I listen to fellow graduate students present their

work and try to offer constructive feedback. I often take notes during these presentations to assist my peers further. In addition to attending workshops, I help my colleagues practice their talks before their actual presentations, regardless of their field of study. I have also participated in the Macro reading groups. My goal is always to be an approachable and helpful colleague, readily available to assist with various needs, including discussing research and proofreading drafts.

This semester, I am volunteering to coordinate the visits of Macro seminar speakers at Princeton. I escort them from their hotel or office to the campus, often accompanied by one or two fellow students. During these walks, we discuss our respective research and explore the campus. I believe these interactions significantly contribute to building networks and deepening our knowledge of peer researchers from other institutions.

I also engage in peer reviewing. I have reviewed for several journals, including Applied Economics, Journal of International Money and Finance, Macroeconomic Dynamics, Open Economies Review, and World Economy. Additionally, I participate in academic conferences and workshops, such as the Journal of International Economics Summer School and the Midwest Macro Meetings. I look forward to reviewing for more journals and participating in additional conferences in the future.

Plans for Future Service

As a faculty member, I am excited about the increased opportunities to contribute to the academic community. Internally, I plan to actively participate in seminars relevant to my fields, providing thoughtful feedback to both students and colleagues. I am committed to being an accessible resource for everyone in the department, supporting their academic and professional growth as an advisor, teacher, and colleague. Additionally, I am keen on organizing reading groups that focus on current topics in macroeconomics and international economics. To strengthen community bonds, I will also host gatherings at my home each semester for students and colleagues.

Externally, I will continue to peer review papers and participate in a variety of conferences and seminars, serving as a discussant. I aspire to organize seminal conferences such as the Midwest Macro Meetings and engage in summer workshops for PhD students, where I can impart knowledge and provide feedback. These activities will not only enrich my own knowledge and skills but also enable me to contribute to the broader field by engaging with and supporting the work of other researchers.