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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Social Psychology, 2018 – Present
MIDAS Graduate Data Science Certificate Program, 2022
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, U.S.

- Advisor: Dr. Joshua M. Ackerman and Dr. Ethan Kross

M.A. in Personality & Social Psychology, 2018
Yonsei University, Seoul, Korea

- Advisor: Dr. Eunkook M. Suh

B.A. in Psychology and English Language & Literature, 2016
Yonsei University, Seoul, Korea

- Undergraduate Exchange Studies at UC Berkeley, 2013

PUBLICATIONS

Choi, S., Merrell, W. N., & Ackerman, J. M. (2023). Safety first, but for whom? Shifts in risk perception for self and others following COVID-19 vaccination. *Social and Personality Psychology Compass*, e12757. <https://doi.org/10.1111/spc3.12757>

Choi, S., Merrell, W. N., & Ackerman, J. M. (2022). Keep your distance: Different roles for knowledge and affect in predicting social distancing behavior. *Journal of Health Psychology*, 27, 2847-2859. <https://doi.org/10.1177/13591053211067100>

Ackerman, J. M., Merrell, W. N., **Choi, S.** (2020). What people believe about detecting infectious disease using the senses. *Current Research in Ecological and Social Psychology*, 1, 100002. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cresp.2020.100002>

Lee, D. I., Gardiner, G., Baranski, E., **International Situations Project Members**, & Funder, D. C. (2020). Situational experience around the world: A replication and extension in 62 countries. *Journal of Personality*, 88, 1091-1110. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jopy.12558>

Choi, S., & Suh, E. M. (2018). Retrospective time travel in life satisfaction judgment: A life history approach. *Personality and Individual Differences*, 129, 138-142. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.paid.2018.03.017>

Suh, E. M., & **Choi, S.** (2018). Predictors of subjective well-being across cultures. In E. Diener, S. Oishi, & L. Tay (Eds.), *Handbook of Subjective Well-being*. Noba Scholar. <https://www.nobascholar.com/chapters/45/download.pdf>

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Doctoral Fellowship, Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies, 2018–Present
Summer Research Award, University of Michigan, 2021, 2022
Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant, 2020
ISR-Rackham Summer Training Award, University of Michigan, 2020
Rackham Conference Travel Grant, University of Michigan, 2019, 2020, 2022
Rackham International Student Fellowship, University of Michigan, 2019
Brain Korea 21 Research Grant, Korea Research Foundation, 2016–2018
Conference Travel Grant, Korea Research Foundation, 2017
Graduate Research Grant, Yonsei University, 2016–2017
Merit-based Incoming Student Scholarship, Yonsei University, 2016
Merit-based Undergraduate Scholarship, Yonsei University, 2011–2014

PRESENTATIONS

- Choi, S.**, Merrell, W. N., & Ackerman, J. M. (2022, February). *Psychological consequences of COVID-19 vaccines: The effects of vaccination on risk-related judgments for self and others*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Francisco, CA.
- Choi, S.** & Ackerman, J. M. (2020, February). *How much of the past do people value when making decisions?* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, New Orleans, LA.
- Choi, S.**, Ackerman, J. M., & Merrell, W. N. (2019, May). *What do people think diseases look, smell, sound, taste, and feel like?* Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Boston, MA.
- Choi, S.**, & Suh, E. M. (2019, February). *Are you happy with your friends? The impact of behavioral immune system on social networking strategy and subjective well-being*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Portland, OR.
- Choi, S.**, & Suh, E. M. (2018, May). *Pathogen threat, optimal social network, and subjective well-being*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Korean Psychological Association, Seoul, South Korea.
- Lee, A., Whillans, A., **Choi, S.**, & Suh, E. M. (2018, March). *Happiness now or later? Cultural differences in happiness and motivation when sacrificing present desires for future goals*. Poster to be presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Atlanta, GA.
- Choi, S.**, Choi, M., & Suh, E. M. (2017, August). *What makes us stronger? The influence of resource scarcity on persistence following success and failure*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Korean Psychological Association, Seoul, South Korea.
- Choi, S.**, & Suh, E. M. (2017, March). *The influence of childhood socioeconomic status on seeing the past through rose-tinted glasses*. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of the International Convention of Psychological Science,

Austria, Vienna.

Choi, S., & Suh, E. M. (2017, January). *Retrospective mental time travel in life satisfaction judgment: A life history approach*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Antonio, TX.

Kim, S., Park, J., **Choi, S.**, Cho, H., & Kim J. (2013, January). *The effects of smart media efficacy and communication competence on life satisfaction*. Paper presented at HCI Korea, Seoul, Republic of Korea.

**WORKING
EXPERIENCE**

McKinsey & Company, Seoul, Korea
External Relations Intern, Jan 2015 – June 2015

**TEACHING
EXPERIENCE**

Graduate Student Instructor, University of Michigan
PSYCH 330: Evolution and Behavior (W 2021; led 3 discussion sections)
PSYCH 385: Sex & Survival (F 2020)
PSYCH 280: Intro to Social Psychology (W 2019, F 2019, W 2020, W 2022; led 3 discussion sections)

Teaching Assistant, Yonsei University
Psychology of Work (Spring 2017)
Perfectionism and Mental Health (Fall 2016)

**PROFESSIONAL
AFFILIATIONS**

Association for Psychological Science
Society for Personality and Social Psychology
Korean Psychological Association
Psychology Student Academic Affairs Committee
Psychology Graduate Student Leadership Committee
University of Michigan Asian Psychology Student Association (Board Member)
The Michigan Association of Psychological Scholars (Mentor)

**KEY
COMPETENCIES**

Quantitative Methods (including experimental design, survey design, sampling)
Qualitative Methods (including interview, systematic observation)
Data Analysis & Visualization (R, SPSS, SQL, MPlus)
Team Building & Mentoring (mentored 10+ research assistants)