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2018.09 – 2023.10

Ph.D. Sociology, McGill University

Research areas: Sociology of Knowledge, Historical Sociology, Sociological Research Methods, Social Determinants of Mental Health.

**Publications**

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| Jeong, T. 2024. “Epistemic diversity and epistemic advantage: A comparison of two causal theories in feminist epistemology.” *Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy* 39(1) (forthcoming).  Jeong, T. 2023. “Family economic status and vulnerability to suicidal ideation in the face of bullying: A test of recent findings.” *Child Abuse and Neglect* (forthcoming).  Jeong, T., and Jeong, C. 2023. “Ethnic empowering policies and postcolonial political exclusion in the British Empire: An analysis of ethnic police recruitment and communal legislative representation.” *Nations and Nationalism*, online first, 1-20. [[Research preregistration](https://osf.io/jb9z7)].  Jeong, T. 2023. “A History of Resistance.” *Korea Journal* 63(2), 267-276.  Jeong, T. 2023. “Community-based legislative representation and postcolonial ethnic civil warfare in former British and French colonies.” *Nations and Nationalism* 29(1), 311-330. [[Research Preregistration](https://osf.io/d6g2j/)].  Jeong, T. 2022. “Contextual fallacy in MLMs with cross-level interaction: A critical review of neighborhood contextual effects on psychiatric resilience.” *Social Science and Medicine* 310.  Van den Berg, A., and Jeong, T. 2022. “Cutting off the branch on which we are sitting? On postpositivism, value neutrality and the ‘bias paradox’,” *Society* 59, 631-647.  Lange, M., Jeong, T., and Gaudreau, C. 2022. “A tale of two empires: Models of political community in British and French colonies,” *Nations and Nationalism* 28(3), 972-989.  Lange, M., Amasyali, E., and Jeong, T. 2021. “Communalizing colonial policies and postcolonial ethnic warfare: A multimethod analysis of the British Empire,” *European Journal of Sociology* 62(3), 337-379.  Lange, M., Jeong, T., and Amasyali, E. 2021. “The colonial origins of ethnic warfare: Re-examining the impact of communalizing colonial policies in the British and French Empires,” *International Journal of Comparative Sociology* 62(2), 141-165.  Jeong, T. 2021 “Do more stress and lower family economic status increase vulnerability to suicidal ideation? Evidence of a U-shaped relationship in a large cross-sectional sample of South Korean adolescents,” *PloS one* 16(4). e0250794.  Jeong, T., and Jeong, C. 2019. “Did the US guarantee the ‘regime’ of North Korea? A study of systematic citation errors in South Korean news media,” 경제와 사회 *Economy and Society* 124. 192-220. [Published in Korean].  Jeong, T. 2019. “A conceptual appendix to ‘The politics of historical knowledge’,” *Journal of Asian History* 53(2), 309-324.  Jeong, T. 2018. “A critique of criticizing ‘pseudohistory’,” 역사비평 *Critical Review of History* 124, 438-469. [Published in Korean].  Jeong, T. 2018. “The politics of historical knowledge: The debate on the historical geography of Old Chosŏn and Lelang Commandery,” *Journal of Asian History* 52(1), 43-82.  Jeong, T. 2017. “Korean Living Standards under Japanese Colonial Rule: A Critical Review of the Longitudinal Trajectory of Stature,” *Review of Korean Studies* 20(2), 145-74 |

**Works under peer-review**

**Jeong, T.** “Process- and contrastive explanation in history and comparative history: Implications for the use of historical counterfactuals.” R&R at *Sociological Methods and Research*.

Lange, M., and **Jeong, T.** “Fighting Over Nation or State: An Analysis of Communal Demography, Historical Institutions, and the Type of Ethnic Warfare.” Under peer review at *Mobilization*.

\*Note: All first-authored research articles published or under review containing quantitative data analysis are open-data unless prohibited by law or contract and in all cases open-code.

**Other writings and presentations**

* Conference Presentations

**Jeong, T.** 2023. “Arms control and disarmament in an era of great power transition.” Presented in *Graduate Research Awards for Nonproliferation, Arms Control & Disarmament*, jointly hosted by Global Affairs Canada and Simons Foundation Canada. GAC Headquarters, Ottawa, June 29, 2023.

**Jeong, T.** 2022. “Stress inoculation and suicidal ideation.” Presented at *Kangwon Institute for Unification Studies – Regional Innovation System Conference*, Chuncheon, South Korea. Nov. 22, 2022.

**Jeong, T.** 2018. “A critique of “agnotological” trends in sociological criticisms of scientific dissent.” Presented at *Science Wars: A loss of Faith in Science*, Bishop’s University, Sherbrooke, QC. Oct 19, 2018.

* Journalistic Op-eds / Analysis

**Jeong, T.** 2023. “Why we should be wary of claims that North Korean satellite was a ‘paper doll.'” *NK News*, July 20, 2023. [[link](https://www.nknews.org/2023/07/why-we-should-be-wary-of-claims-that-north-korean-satellite-was-a-paper-doll/)].

**Jeong, T.** 2022. “Did North Korea really fake an ICBM test in March?” *The Diplomat* 98 (Jan. 2023 magazine issue)*.* (Dec.14, 2022 website cover story). [[link](https://thediplomat.com/2022/12/did-north-korea-really-fake-an-icbm-test-in-march/)].

**Scholarships, Awards, and Nominations**

2023

* Winner of Graduate Research Awards for Disarmament, Arms Control, and Non-Proliferation, jointly offered by Global Affairs Canada (GAC) and Simons Foundation Canada.

In the award ceremony, I gave a 30-minute presentation to high-profile Canadian diplomats at the GAC headquarters in Ottawa about current Canadian policy on global arms control and disarmament. The article that I submitted to the competition is currently being prepared for online publication at the Simons Foundation Canada website.

C$5000

* McGill University nominee for the 2023 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) Talent Award, a C$50,000 award annually given to one doctoral or postdoctoral researcher in the humanities and social sciences.

2022

* Graduate student anti-black racism research award, McGill University

I received this award in recognition of my theoretical contributions to the benefits of minority inclusion (article forthcoming in *Hypatia*) and my plans to apply my theory to the problem of the underrepresentation of people of African heritage in academia.

C$2000

* Everett C. Hughes Research Graduate Award, McGill University department of sociology. “Annually given to the student with the best research record in the department.”

C$100

2021

* Graduate Excellence Award, McGill University

C$1,000

2020

* Graduate Award Program, McGill Institute of Health and Social Policy

This was a two-semester training program offering hands-on-experience for communicating the results of graduate students’ health research to policymakers.

C$4,000

* Joseph-Armand-Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarship

C$105,000 (disbursed over three years)

2019

* Fonds de Recherche du Québec (FRQ) doctoral scholarship

C$21,000 per annum (discontinued after one year due to receipt of Canada Graduate Scholarship).

* Graduate Excellence Award, McGill University

C$1500

2018

* McCall MacBain Scholarship

C$6500

* Graduate Excellence Award, McGill University

C$441

* Sociology Graduate Award, McGill University.

C$325

2010-2013

* Merit-based entrance scholarship, University of Hong Kong

HK$20,000 per annum for three years (received for two years due to one year of visiting study at the University of Zurich).

**Education**

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| 2018 -  2023 | McGill University, Ph.D. Sociology  GPA: 3.95 out of 4.0  Doctoral advisor: Prof. Eran Shor   * Area Exams:  1. Sociology of Knowledge (committee chair Prof. Peter McMahan). 2. Political Sociology (committee chair Prof. Barry Eidlin). The exam committee wrote in the decision letter that it tried to award a formal “distinction” but could not since the system only allows pass/fail. It suggested that I write this in my CV. |
| 2016 | McGill University, MA History  Focus areas: Historiography and Nationalism  GPA: 3.83 out of 4.0 |
| 2015 | London School of Economics and Political Science,  MSc Political Economy of Late Development  Degree classification: Distinction  Focus areas: International Political Economy, Colonialism and Development |
| 2010 -  2013 | University of Hong Kong, Bachelor of Economics and Finance, |
| (Below are study abroad programs) | |
| 2011-  2012 | Universität Zürich, one-year visiting study (In German)  GPA: 4.9 out of 6.0 |
| 2011 | École normale Supérieure à Paris, Un été à l'ENS (In French) |
| (Below are uncompleted degree programs) | |
| 2020-2021 | MSc Epistemology Ethics and Mind (Online), University of Edinburgh |

**Language Skills**

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| Language | Proficiency | Certification |
| English  Korean  French  German  Japanese  Mandarin  Classical Chinese | Native equivalent  Native  Advanced  Advanced  Advanced  Intermediate  Proficient reading | IBT TOEFL score 120 out of 120  DALF C2 (highest among six levels)  Grosses Deutsches Sprachdiplom C2  (highest among six levels)  JLPT N1 (highest among five levels)  HSK level 5 (second highest among six levels) |

**Research Methods**

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| Quantitative | Research-level knowledge (relevant to my 2022 article in *Social Science and Medicine*):   * Multilevel modeling: Choice of centering, Latent centering, Complex L1- and L2- variances, Non-nested models, Bayesian approaches * Causal inference: DAGs, Contextual analysis, Causal mediation analysis, Instrumental variables   Areas of applied-level proficiency, training, and experience:   * Network analysis * Latent variable models: Factor analysis, SEM and MSEM, Growth curve models * Panel regression * Probing complex interaction effects   Software skills   * R and Mplus (main tools); Stata (secondary tool) |
| Historical | Research-level knowledge (relevant to my ongoing project undergoing R&R in *Sociological Methods and Research*):   * Comparative-historical methods * Theory of singular causation * Narrativist philosophy of history   Areas of applied-level proficiency, training, and experience:   * Archival methods |

**Teaching**

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| 05.2021-  06.2021 | Course Instructor for SOCI211 Sociological Inquiry (summer) |
| 01.2020-  04.2020 | Teaching Assistant for SOCI325 Sociology of Science  Gave a guest lecture on feminist epistemology |
| 01.2019-  04.2019 | Teaching Assistant for SOCI254 Development and Underdevelopment |
| 01.2016–  04.2016 | Teaching Assistant for HIST218 Modern East Asian History  Gave a guest lecture on modern Korean history |

**Research Assistant Experience**

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| 06.2020-  11.2021 | McGill University Department of Management  Research assistant in social determinants of health for Prof. Anthony Masi |
| 05.2019-  04.2022 | McGill University Department of Sociology  Research assistant in sociological theory for Prof. Axel van den Berg |
| 09.2018-  01.2023 | McGill University Department of Sociology  Research assistant in historical sociology for Prof. Matthew Lange |

**Other Work Experience**

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| 06.2017-  10.2017 | Editage  Academic Translator (Korean ↔ English) |
| 08.2016-  10.2016 | United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT), Regional Office for the Asia and the Pacific, Fukuoka, Japan  Project Management Intern |

**Standardized Test Results**

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| GRE Revised  11.2016 | Verbal 169 out of 170  Quant 170 out of 170  Writing 4.5 out of 6.0 |
| GMAT  01.2014 | Quant & Verbal 750 out of 800 (98th percentile)  Integrated Reasoning 8 out of 8  Analytical Writing 6.0 out of 6.0 |