

# DONGKYU YANG

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Development, Economic History, International Trade, Economics of Migration, Environmental Economics

## EMPLOYMENT

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**KDI School of Public Policy and Management**  
Assistant Professor (tenure-track), Sejong, Republic of Korea

July 2025 -

## EDUCATION

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**University of Colorado Boulder (CU Boulder)**  
Ph.D. in Economics, Boulder, Colorado, USA

May 2025

**University of Colorado Boulder**  
M.A. in Economics, Boulder, Colorado, USA

May 2021

**Sungkyunkwan University**  
M.A. in Economics, Seoul, Korea

August 2019

**Sungkyunkwan University**  
B.A. in Global Economics, Seoul, Korea

August 2016

## WORKING PAPERS

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- “Time to Accumulate: The Great Migration and the Rise of the American South”
- “A General Equilibrium Investigation of the American Dust Bowl”
  - *Revision requested at Journal of Political Economy Microeconomics*

## PUBLICATIONS

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- “Did War Mobilization Cause Regional Development?” (with Taylor Jaworski)
  - **Explorations in Economic History**, 2025. 97. 101685.
- “Trade and Inequality: A Sufficient Statistics Approach” (with Sergey Nigai)
  - **Journal of Political Economy Macroeconomics**, 2024, 2(3): 508–552.

## PRE-DOCTORAL PUBLICATIONS

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- “The Effect of Delaying School Start Time on Adolescents’ Time Use and Health: Evidence from a Policy Change in South Korea” (with Jaesung Choi). **Asian Population Studies**, 2021, 17 (1), 7-29.
- “The Impacts of Student Loans on Early Labor Market Performance” (with Jaesung Choi). **Economic Analysis** (in Korean), 2019, 25 (4), 1-24.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCES

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### Instructor of Record

- Spatial Economics and Quantitative Modeling (Graduate), KDI School, Spring 2026
- Theory and Policy of International Trade (Graduate), KDI School, Fall 2025

- International Economics and Policy (Undergraduate), CU Boulder, Fall 2022
- Introduction to Statistics with Computer Applications (Undergraduate), CU Boulder, Spring 2022

### Teaching Assistant

- Graduate: Microeconomic Theory 1 and 2, Macroeconomic Theory 1, Econometrics
- Undergraduate: Economics Honors Seminar, Principles of Microeconomics, Principles of Macroeconomics, Environmental Economics, Natural Resource Economics, Applied Econometrics

### AWARDS AND HONORS

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- 2023 Economic History Association Cambridge University Press Dissertation Fellowship  
2022 University of Colorado Third Year Paper Prize, Sieglinde Talbott Haller Endowed Economics Scholarship  
2021 Sieglinde Talbott Haller Endowed Economics Scholarship  
2020 Prize in Econometrics, Yordan Prize of Microeconomics

### SEMINAR AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

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- 2026 Academia Sinica (scheduled)  
2025 University of Nottingham, KDI School, Hanyang University, Yonsei University, Sungkyunkwan University, Korea International Economic Association  
2024 Florida State University, NBER Summer Institute Development of the American Economy, Western Economic Association International (WEAI) Graduate Student Workshop, Economic History Association (EHA) Annual Meeting, Mountain West Economic History Conference  
2023 Association of Environmental and Resource Economists Annual Meeting  
2022 WEAI, EHA, North American Meeting of the Urban Economics Association, Southern Economics Association Annual Meeting  
2019 WEAI at Tokyo, Korean Association for Survey Research Meeting

### SOFTWARE SKILLS

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- Stata, Matlab, Julia, R, ArcGIS

### CITIZENSHIP AND LANGUAGE

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Republic of Korea / Korean (Native), English (Fluent)

Last updated on February 28, 2026