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## WHO AM I?

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- A passionate bioinformatician with 3+ experience in evolutionary genomics and 3+ experience in cancer research.
- Interested in topics in the interface of computational biology and medicine.
- A community builder who is good at initiating and facilitating collaborations.
- [An academic hybrid](#) with a strong desire to foster [an inclusive interdisciplinary learning environment](#).

## EDUCATION

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**PhD in Bioinformatics**, Temple University 2019 - present

Advisor: Dr. Sergei L Kosakovsky Pond

Dissertation Topic: PProperty-Informed Models of Evolution (PRIME) and their applications

**MS in Computational Biology**, Carnegie Mellon University 2015 - 2016

Relevant Coursework: Computational Genomics, Machine Learning, and Algorithms & Advanced Data Structures

**BS in Chemistry**, Carnegie Mellon University 2010 - 2013

Relevant Coursework: Principles of Computing, and Modern Analytical Instructions

## PUBLICATION

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## PRESENTATION

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### Posters

- **Kim, H.\***, Kosakovsky Pond, S. L. (2023). [PRSuite: PProperty Informed Models of Evolution \(PRIME\), the Imputation \(PREI\), and the Visualization \(PREC\)](#). Poster: The Society for Molecular Biology and Evolution 23 Conference, Ferrara, Italy.
- **Kim, H.\***, Shank, S., Kosakovsky Pond, S. L. (2022). PProperty Informed Models of Evolution (PRIME). Poster: The 31st KSEA Northeast Regional Conference, Virtual.
- Hu, Y., Chen, C., Ding, Y.\*, **Kim, H.**, Tan, K. (2019). Synergistic Control Genes in Cancer Gene Networks as Targets for Combination Therapy. Poster: Children's Hospital of Philadelphia Research Poster day and Scientific Symposium, Philadelphia, PA.

### Talks

- **Kim, H.\*** (2023). [Using HyPhy package on comparative sequence analysis](#). Workshop: Temple Bioinformatics Studio, Philadelphia, PA.
- **Kim, H.\*** (2023). Data Analysis in Bioinformatics Research (in academia). Seminar: Philadelphia Developer Group, Virtual.
- **Kim, H.\***, Kosakovsky Pond, S. L. (2022). PRIME Evolutionary Imputation (PREI). Flash Talk: International Conference on Intelligent Biology and Medicine, Philadelphia, PA.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**Co-Coordinator/Reflective Practicum Completion for THE Certificate** May 2023 - July 2023  
 Temple University *Deep Learning for the Life Sciences Journal Club*

- Co-organized a 10-week summer journal club with Dr. Enzo Carnevale for researchers of diverse levels of expertise (undergraduate students, graduate students, postdocs, alumni, visitors, and professors). We met weekly to have stimulating discussions on cutting-edge research and theory of machine learning and artificial intelligence. We have built a unique inter-departmental community in the College of Science and Technology in the course of this journal club.
- Generated a plan that focuses on the member mastery of knowledge and improvement of presentation skills.
- Facilitated member engagement in the dynamically changing member demographic.
- Discussed teaching methods and reflections with Dr. Jay Lunden (the teaching mentor) for 7 weeks.
- Group size: 35.

**Course Completion for Teaching in Higher Education (THE) Certificate** Aug 2022 - Dec 2022  
 Temple University *Teaching in Higher Education (EPSY-8985)*

- Developed syllabi, assignments, and assessments using the principles of integrated course design.
- Applied the current theories of teaching in different contexts.
- Used a variety of effective teaching methods to address learners universally.

- Discussed a reflective and purposeful approach to teaching with other instructors.

**Teaching Assistant**  
Temple University

Aug 2020 - Dec 2020  
*Genomics in Medicine (BIOL-3111/5111)*

- Generated formative and summative assessment materials and provided timely feedback ([Youtube/Introduction](#)).
- Class size: 150.

**Teaching Assistant**  
Temple University

Aug 2019 - May 2020  
*Wet Lab Courses (BIOL-2112 and BIOL-1012)*

- Gave a short lecture in the beginning of every lab, monitored student performance, and provided guidance.
- Graded lab reports and generated quizzes.
- Class size: 20 (x 2 sections) each.

**BIOL-1012 General Biology II, Spring 2020** was an introductory wet lab course for non-biology majors.

**BIOL-2112 Introduction to Cellular and Molecular Biology, Fall 2019** was a lab for biology majors.

**Course Developer**  
Carnegie Mellon University

Feb 2016 - Aug 2016  
*Programming for Scientists (02201/02601)*

- Generated open-source course materials (codes and instructions) with Drs. Phillip Compeau and Carl Kingsford for Go-lang beginners.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**Bioinformatics Engineer**  
Lifetime Omics

Oct 2021 - Jan 2022  
*Remote*

- Automated cutting-edge methods and analyzed COVID-19 metagenomics data in the Google Cloud environment.
- Developed detailed standard operating procedure for reproducibility.
- Took initiatives to solve problems and demonstrated dedication for the project in the startup environment.

**Bioinformatics Analyst/Software Engineer**  
Children's Hospital of Philadelphia – Kai Tan lab

Jul 2017 - Jun 2019  
*Philadelphia, PA*

- Investigated RNA-Seq and microarray data from B-Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia subtypes using differential gene expression analysis, Gene Ontology enrichment analysis, and other relevant bioinformatics methods.
- Identified cancer-specific genetic interactions that led to publications in high-impact journals.
- Facilitated communication in the interdisciplinary environment of doctors and wet-lab and dry-lab researchers.

**Research Programmer**  
Carnegie Mellon University – Russell Schwartz lab

Feb 2017 - Jun 2017  
*Pittsburgh, PA*

- Investigated clinical and genomic data to create a cancer progression analysis pipeline using machine learning.

**MS Graduate Researcher**  
Carnegie Mellon University – Ziv Bar-Joseph lab

Jan 2016 - Dec 2016  
*Pittsburgh, PA*

- Curated and analyzed single-cell gene expression data.

**Post-Baccalaureate Researcher (Chemistry/Biology)**

Aug 2013 - Jun 2014

Carnegie Mellon University – Drs. Fred Lanni, Aaron Mitchell, and Luisa Hiller

Pittsburgh, PA

- Tested various polymer surface coatings for the prevention and destruction of biofilms using red/NIR light.

**Undergraduate Student Researcher (Chemistry)**

Jan 2012 - Aug 2013

Carnegie Mellon University – Kevin Noonan lab

Pittsburgh, PA

- Characterized pyrylium and pyridinium salts by modifying functional groups.

**Student Researcher (Biology)**

Jun 2011 - Aug 2011

Carnegie Mellon University – 2011 Summer Research Institute

Pittsburgh, PA

- Analyzed interactions among three ribosomal assembly factors in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*.
- 1 of 12 student researchers selected for the program.

**AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, & GRANTS**

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**2023 Best Poster Award, 2nd Place (Computer and Information Sciences)**, The 36th US-Korea Conference**2022&2023 Selected Attendee Support**, Scientists and Engineers Early Career Development Workshop**2022 KSEA Excellent Poster Award**, The 31st KSEA Northeast Regional Conference**2022 CST Three-Minute Thesis Competition 2nd Place Award**, Temple University (College-level)**2015 Departmental Merit Fellowship**, Carnegie Mellon University**2013 Mellon College of Science Research Honors**, Carnegie Mellon University**2012 Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship**, Carnegie Mellon University**UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

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**CST-GSO Board Member**

Dec 2021 - present

Temple University College of Science and Technology-Graduate Student Organization (CST-GSO)

- **Media Chair, 05/2023-present** Advertised the organization events on social media. Communicated with members from different departments. Supported organization social events and generated flyers. Organized [Graduate Student Fall](#) and [Spring](#) social events each with 30+ attendees with the board members!
- **DEI Representative, 12/2021-04/2023** Identified potential DEI topics within the organization and suggested appropriate strategies. I have facilitated the success of the yearly PhD/MS alumni panelist event involving all six departments within college for two years in a row.

**Student Representative**

Nov 2021 - Aug 2023

Temple University College of Science and Technology Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (CST-DEI) Committee

- Discussed the promotion of DEI within college at the bi-weekly committee meetings.
- Provided feedback for a wide array of DEI topics and addressed current issues with other members.

**Vice President**

Sep 2021 - Sep 2023

Temple University Biology Graduate Student Society (BGSS)

- Facilitated communication between the department and the graduate school.
- Evaluated travel grant applications with the president and the treasurer.

- Led action plans to address diverse career needs within the department of biology and organized regular meetings with the graduate school directors.
- Generated databases for student placements after graduation.
- Supported the on-boarding process for the first-year students in the department of biology.
- Planned and oversaw activities for the Fall 2022 departmental retreat.

## LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

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### Steering Committee Member & PR Director

Jan 2024 - Apr 2024

The 33rd KSEA NRC Committee

- Planned the conference in the weekly committee meeting with PIs and staff from academia and industry.
- Discussed conference planning in the context of diversity and inclusion along with other members.

### Event Director

Oct 2023 - present

KITEE

- Connected with graduate students in the northeast region in the US to promote KITEE events.
- Brainstormed ideas during event meetings and supported all registration-related endeavors.
- Organized [KITEE Entrepreneurship Forum 2023](#) (>80 attendees) as part of the committee.

### Secretary

Feb 2023 - Apr 2023

2023 KITEE-FELIX Hackathon Committee

- Organized the hackathon in the weekly committee meeting.
- Reached out to universities and engineer communities in the Philadelphia region.
- Supported the onsite activities.

### Philadelphia Young Generation Director

Jan 2023 - Apr 2023

The 32nd KSEA Northeast Regional Conference (NRC) Committee

- Planned the conference in the bi-weekly committee meeting with PIs and staff from academia and industry.
- Operated as the public relations and promotion chief for the pre-networking event before the conference.
- Promoted networking (e.g. networking bingo) and facilitated the event flow onsite at the event of 104 registrants.

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

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### Ad Hoc Reviewer

- Scientific Reports (2021 IF=4.996), *04/2023*
  - Commented as a reviewer using my experience in cancer, evolutionary biology and single-cell transcriptomics.
- [Frontiers in Oncology](#) (2021 IF=5.738), *06/2022*
  - Commented as a reviewer for an academic journal using my experience in cancer research and bioinformatics.

### Science Fair Judge

- George Washington Carver Science Fair, *03/2022 & 03/2023*
  - Judged science fair projects done by students in grades 6 to 12 with a group of educators.

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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- Temple Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Staff & Faculty Affinity Group, 02/2024-
- Korean-American Women in Science and Engineering (KWise), 08/2023-
- [Philadelphia Developer Group](#), 04/2023-
- An Affiliate Member of Temple University [Human-Computer Interaction \(HCI\) Lab](#), 03/2023-
- Collaboration with researchers from [Fox Chase Cancer Center](#) at Temple University Hospital, 12/2022-
- Collaboration with other researchers from [Institute for Genomics and Evolutionary Medicine](#) at Temple University, 08/2022-
- Korean American Society in Biotech and Pharmaceuticals (KASBP), 10/2022-
- Korean-American Innovative Technology Engineers and Entrepreneurs (KITEE), 04/2022-
- Society for the Study of Evolution (SSE), 04/2022-
- AnitaB.org, 09/2021-
- Society for Molecular Biology and Evolution (SMBE), 01/2021-
- SMBE IDEA (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Access) Working Group, 11/2022-
- Korean-American Scientists and Engineers Association (KSEA), 02/2020-
- Rotations in Zoran Obradovic, Sergei L. Kosakovsky Pond, and Sudhir Kumar Labs, 08/2019-05/2020
- Philadelphia Korean Scholars Association (PKSA), 06/2019-

## CERTIFICATES

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08/2023 **MicroMBA** *University of California, San Diego Extended Studies - Rady School of Management*  
08/2023 **Teaching in Higher Education Certificate** *Temple University - Center for the Advancement of Teaching*

## DOCTORAL COURSEWORK

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Fall 2020 **Genomics and Infectious Disease Dynamics** *BIOL-5128*  
Fall 2020 **Seminar: "Ecoevo discuss"** *BIOL-8210*  
Fall 2020 **Applied Statistics and Data Science** *STAT-8109*  
Spring 2020 **Genomics and Evolutionary Biology of Parasites** *BIOL-5241*  
Spring 2020 **Data-Intensive and Cloud Computing** *CIS-5517*  
Spring 2020 **Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining** *CIS-5523*  
Fall 2019 **Genomics in Medicine** *BIOL-5111*  
Fall 2019 **Topics in Bioinformatics** *BIOL-5466*  
Fall 2019 **Seminar Biol 8210 at Center for Computational Genetics and Genomics** *BIOL-8210*

## MASSIVE OPEN ONLINE COURSE CERTIFICATES

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11/2022 **The Inclusive STEM Teaching Project** *InCLU1x*  
10/2022 **Business Foundations** *UBCx*  
09/2022 **Cancer Biology Specialization Courses** *Coursera*  
03/2022 **Matrix Algebra for Engineers** *Coursera*  
02/2022 **Viruses & How to Beat Them: Cells, Immunity, Vaccines** *IsraelX*

## PERSONAL PROJECTS

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- **HearU: Bridging the Gap in Korean-American Mental Health Care**, Voted "Second Place" by the audience in the KITEE-FELIX Ideathon Pitch. Ideated by PhD students each from NJIT, Penn, and Temple., 04/2023
- [Colorblindness Image Enhancer](#), "Most Technically Impressive" in OwlHacks 2023, 02/2023

## MEDIA APPEARANCES

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- [Graduate Student Feature](#) by **Temple University Graduate School**, 1 of 8 graduate students at Temple University to be featured on the Graduate School web page and social media in the year 2024. It was a great opportunity to share my research and show gratitude for the opportunities I got at Temple., *02/2024*

## CODING LANGUAGES

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python, R, MATLAB, bash, JavaScript, Go-lang