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## EDUCATION

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- Ph.D. Political Science, Boston College, May 2024  
Major: International Relations, Minors: Comparative Politics, Political Theory
- Dissertation: An Interactive Theory of Power Projection:  
Why a Naval Power Transition ends in Peace or War in the Periphery
- Committee: Robert Ross (Chair), Timothy Crawford, Jonathan Kirshner
- M.A. International Relations, Seoul National University, February 2013
- B.A. Political Science, Seoul National University, *cum laude*, August 2009  
Exchange Student, Leiden University (the Netherlands), 2007-2008

## PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

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- 2024-2025 Visiting Assistant Professor, William & Mary, Department of Government
- 2023-2024 Instructor, Boston College, Department of Political Science
- 2022-2023 Hans J. Morgenthau Fellow, Notre Dame International Security Center
- 2014-2016 Assistant Professor, Korea Military Academy, Department of Military History
- 2013-2014 Instructor, Korea Military Academy, Department of Military History

## PUBLICATIONS

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- **Refereed Journal Articles**

- 2014 “The July Crisis Revisited: Civil-Military Threat Perceptions of Germany and Russia”  
*Military History [Gunsu]* (September 2014): 31-63 [in Korean]

## MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW (available upon request)

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Foreign Policy Ideas, Elite Consensus, and Social Expectations:  
Japan’s Status-Driven Restraint despite Racial Humiliation from 1921-1936

Why in the Upper Nile but Not in West Africa?: Britain's Atypical Preventive War Motivation, the Contagion Effect, and the Fashoda Crisis Revisited, 1882-1898

## MANUSCRIPTS IN REVISION

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The Puzzle of the Crimean System, 1856-1870: Why didn't Naval Power Parity and the French Annexation of Nice and Savoy result in a War with Britain in the early 1860s? (**adapted from chapter 2**)

Neither a Liar nor a Peacemaker: Japan's Paradox of Peripheral Expansion and Roosevelt's Expectations about the Contagion Effect in the Asia-Pacific, 1934-1941 (**adapted from chapter 4**)

A Logic of Authoritarian Nuclear Concession: Political Normalization, Domestic Pressure, and the Security-Legitimacy Dilemma

## MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

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Explaining the Absence of a War over China's Quantitative Naval Overtake, 2008-2023

Why is there no New Direction in China's Naval Strategy?: China's Naval Buildup as a Status-Seeking Behavior (with Chengzhi Yin)

China's North Korea Policy in the Post-Cold War Era (with Shuxian Luo)

Power Shift in the Critical Zone: U.S.-China Competition, Climatic Shifts, and the Case for New Geopolitics (with Inho Choi)

## CONFERENCE ACTIVITY & INVITED TALKS

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| 2024 | Explaining the Absence of a War over China's Quantitative Naval Overtake, 2008-2023, American Political Science Association Annual Convention, September 5-8 ( <i>scheduled</i> )                 |
| 2024 | China's Naval Buildup as a Status-Seeking Behavior, 2008-2022 (with Chengzhi Yin) American Political Science Association Annual Convention, September 5-8, ( <i>scheduled</i> )                   |
| 2024 | The Clements Center's Summer Seminar in History and Statecraft (Beaver Creek, CO), The Clements Center for National Security, The University of Texas at Austin, July 14-19                       |
| 2024 | An Interactive Theory of Power Projection: How the Leading Sea Power and a Challenger Avoid or End up in a War?, The Junior Scholars in International Security (JSISE) Workshop, April 12         |
| 2024 | Racial Hierarchy, Status, and Restraint: Japan's Status-Driven Restraint despite Racial Humiliation and the Washington Naval System, International Studies Association Annual Convention, April 6 |

- 2023 An Interactive Theory of Power Projection: How the Leading Sea Power and a Challenger Avoid or End up in a War?, New Wave Realism Conference, Mershon Center for International Security Studies, The Ohio State University, December 1-2
- 2023 Racial Hierarchy, Restraint, and Assertion: Japan's Pursuit of Status and the Washington Naval System, 1921-1936, Brookings Workshop on Narratives, Strategy, and Asian Order, The Brookings Institution, November 8-9
- 2023 Restraint, Assertion, and Commitment Problem: Japan's Pursuit of Status and the Washington Naval System, 1921-1936, American Political Science Association Annual Convention, August 31-September 4
- 2023 Racial Hierarchy, Restraint, and Commitment Problem: Japan's Pursuit of Status and the Washington Naval System, 1921-1936, International Studies Association Annual Convention, March 15-18
- 2022 A Causal Logic of Authoritarian Nuclear Concession: Political Normalization, Domestic Pressure, and the Security-Legitimacy Dilemma, American Political Science Association Annual Convention, September 15-18
- 2022 A Causal Logic of Authoritarian Nuclear Concession: Political Normalization, Domestic Pressure, and the Security-Legitimacy Dilemma, International Studies Association Annual Convention, March 28-April 2
- 2021 An Interactive Theory of Power Projection: Domestic Mobilization, Geographical Expansion and Alignment Opportunity, ISA-ISSS Conference 2021, November 12-14
- 2021 A Causal Logic of Authoritarian Nuclear Concession: External Inducement, Domestic Political-Economic Pressure, and Regime Legitimacy, International Studies Association Annual Convention, April 6-9
- 2021 The Washington Conference Order and Japan in 1922-1936: Global Status, Restraint, and the Great Depression, International Studies Association Annual Convention, April 6-9
- 2020 A Causal Logic of Authoritarian Nuclear Concession: External Inducement, Domestic Political-Economic Pressure, and Regime Legitimacy, American Political Science Association Annual Convention, September 9-13
- 2018 Explaining North Korea's Nuclear Foreign Policy: Steadfastness, Independence, and Compromise, International Studies Association Northeast Annual Convention, November 2-3
- 2012 Small States in the Face of Abandonment Fear: A Comparative Study of South Korea and Taiwan in the 1970s, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Convention, April 12-15

## AWARDS AND HONORS

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- 2024 Stand Together Trust U.S. Foreign Policy Dissertation Grant (\$5,000)
- 2023 The Charles Koch Foundation U.S. Foreign Policy Dissertation Grant (\$5,000)
- 2023 Seoul National University New England Alumni Association Scholarship (\$3,000)
- 2022-2023 Hans J. Morgenthau Fellowship, The University of Notre Dame (\$10,000)
- 2023 APSA 2023 First Generation Scholar Travel and Accessibility Grant (\$145)
- 2023 Boston College Graduate School of Arts and Science Travel Grant (\$700)
- 2022 APSA 2022 Travel Grant (\$150)
- 2022 ISA 2022 Travel Grant (\$700)

Inhwan Oh

2021 Fall Conference Travel Grant, Graduate Students Association, Boston College  
 2019-2020 Clough Graduate Fellow, Clough Center for the Study of Constitutional Democracy, Boston College (\$6,000)  
 2017-2019 Fulbright Graduate Ph.D. Scholarship, U.S. Department of State (\$55,000+)  
 2011 Outstanding Paper at Institute of Foreign Affairs and National Security, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Republic of Korea (“Strategic Perspectives on Various Threat Perception Factors in Northeast Asia”)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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- **College of William & Mary**

U.S.-China Relations Seminar for Freshmen (Fall 2024, *scheduled*)  
 U.S.-China Relations Seminar for Juniors (Fall 2024, *scheduled*)  
 Research Methods (Fall 2024, *scheduled*)

- **Boston College**

International Politics of Rising Powers (**Instructor of Record**, Spring 2024)  
 Race and Ethnic Politics (Teaching Assistant to Professor Masha Krupenkin, Spring 2023)  
 Technology and Politics (Teaching Assistant to Professor Masha Krupenkin, Fall 2022)  
 Media and Politics (Teaching Assistant to Professor Masha Krupenkin, Fall 2022)  
 Introduction to International Relations (Teaching Assistant to Professor Peter Krause, **leading two independent discussion sections with course evaluations**, Spring 2022)  
 The World Wars (Teaching Assistant to Professor Lindsey O’Rourke, Spring 2021)  
 US Foreign Policy, 1945-Present (Teaching Assistant to Professor Lindsey O’Rourke, Fall 2020)

- **John Quincy Adams Society**

Morgenthau Grand Strategy Seminar: China’s Rise (Instructor, July 2023)

- **Korea Military Academy, Instructor/Assistant Professor**

World Military History (Spring 2014, Spring 2015, Spring 2016)  
 The Korean War (Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Fall 2015)  
 Military Strategy (Spring 2014, Spring 2015, Spring 2016)  
 Modern Warfare: The Iraq and Afghanistan Wars (Spring 2015, Spring 2016)

- **Seoul National University, Teaching Assistant**

Seminar in World Politics: Japan’s Modernization (Summer 2012)  
 Seminar in World Politics: The Chinese Empire and Modernization (Winter 2011)  
 Seminar in World Politics: European Empires (Winter 2009)

## **COURSES PREPARED TO TEACH**

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Introduction to International Relations, U.S. Foreign Policy, 1945-Present, U.S.-China Relations, Chinese Foreign Policy, 1949-Present, East Asian Security, Research Methods

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

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2022	Research Assistant to Professor David Deese Control of international aviation and shipping emissions
2020	Research Assistant to Professor David Deese Innovative and future-oriented agendas in international political economy

## **SERVICE**

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2019-2023	President, Political Science Graduate Student Association, Boston College
2022-2023	Co-organizer, Graduate Student Paper Workshop
2014-2015	Administrative Officer, Military History Department, Korea Military Academy
2009-2010	Personal Assistant to Regional Secretary of IFES (International Fellowship of Evangelical Students) East Asia, Based in Malaysia

## **RELATED PROFESSIONAL TRAINING**

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2021	The Institute for Qualitative and Multimethod Research (IQMR): Process Tracing Large-N Qualitative Analysis Interpretive Methods Concept Analysis
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## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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2013-2016	Second/First Lieutenant, Republic of Korea Army
2011-2013	Staff, Department of International Relations, Seoul National University
2009-2010	Personal Assistant to Regional Secretary of IFES (International Fellowship of Evangelical Students) East Asia, Based in Malaysia

## **LANGUAGES**

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Korean (native in reading, speaking, and writing)  
English (fluent in reading, speaking, and writing)  
Mandarin Chinese (can read with dictionary)  
German (can read with dictionary)

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

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American Political Science Association  
International Studies Association

**REFERENCES**

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