

# JAE YEON KIM

## Overview

I study political learning, organizing, and mobilization among marginalized populations using big data and data science. I also build tools that make social science research more efficient and reproducible. I have extensive experience analyzing survey, experimental, administrative, and text data using statistical and machine learning methods



## EDUCATION

- 2016**  
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**2021**  
(expected)  
**University of California, Berkeley**  
PhD Candidate in Political Science - Concentrations: computational political science and political behavior (with distinction)  
📍 Berkeley, California, USA
- Summer 2019**  
**Summer Institute in Computational Social Science**  
Participant (10% acceptance rate)  
📍 Princeton University, Princeton, USA
- 2014**  
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**2016**  
**University of California, Berkeley**  
MA in Political Science  
📍 Berkeley, California, USA
- 2012**  
**Korea University**  
BA in Political Science & English (study abroad: Hong Kong, Taiwan)  
📍 Seoul, South Korea



## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- September 2020**  
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**Present**  
**Visiting Fellow**  
[P3 Lab, SNF Agora Institute](#) 📍 Johns Hopkins University,  
  - Collaborated with Milan de Vries (former Director of Analytics at MoveOn.Org)
  - Parsed more than 3 million tax reports ([XML files stored in Amazon AWS](#)) filed by nonprofits in the United States and linked this data source with these organizations' websites and social media handles
  - Designed and built a data infrastructure that tracks civic organizations in the US and their relationships with food security, polarization, and the 2020 racial justice movement
- May 2019**  
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**Present**  
**Senior Data Science Fellow, Instructor, and Statistical Consultant**  
[Data-intensive Social Sciences Lab](#) 📍 UC Berkeley  
  - Created a Shiny dashboard for inspecting input features and predicted outcomes of the [D-Lab's Online Hate Speech Index Project](#)
  - Consulted 70+ Berkeley faculty, students, and staff on applied statistics, machine learning, and database management
  - Developed and taught [7 original workshops](#) on machine learning, functional programming, package development, advanced data wrangling, and reproducible project management

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## CONTACT INFO

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## COURSEWORK

Statistical and Causal Inference, Experimental Design, Survey Methods, Game Theory, Computational Social Science

## SKILLS

📊 **Quantitative:** Statistical inference (OLS, GLM, Multilevel Modeling), Causal inference (a.k.a. impact evaluations or A/B testing), Experimental and survey design and analysis, Measurement (constructing and testing measures)

💻 **Computational:** Natural language processing, Machine learning, R (tidyverse, tidymodels, statistical packages), Python (pandas, scikit-learn), Git, SQL (PostgreSQL), Linux Command Line

- Spring  
2020

● **Data Science Education Program Fellow** [[Blog post](#)]  
[Data Science Education Program](#) 📍 UC Berkeley

  - Served as research lead for the undergraduate students and project partners involved in 40+ [data science discovery projects](#)
- Fall 2016  
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Present

● **Graduate Student Instructor** [[Original textbook](#)]  
 Department of Political Science 📍 UC Berkeley

  - Developed and taught an original graduate-level course on [computational tools for social science research](#) as an instructor and an undergraduate-level applied statistics as a teaching assistant
  - Received **the Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award**, which is given to less than 10% of Berkeley TAs

## SOFTWARE

**tidytweetjson**: R package for turning Tweet JSON files into a tidy dataframe. The package takes 12.34 seconds to wrangle 5,685 articles.

**tidyethnicnews**: R package for turning search results from one of the largest databases on ethnic newspapers and magazines published in the U.S. into a tidy dataframe. The package takes 4 minutes to wrangle 2 million tweets.

**TidyChaseBankStatements**: R package for turning Chase bank Statements into a tidy dataframe.

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Kim J. (2020). [Integrating Human and Machine Coding to Measure Political Issues in Ethnic Newspaper Articles](#). *Journal of Computational Social Science*. Forthcoming. [[GitHub](#)]

• Winner of the **Don T. Nakanishi Award for Distinguished Scholarship and Service in Asian Pacific American Politics**, Western Political Science Association (2020)

Kim J, Carlos Ortiz, Sarah Nam, Sarah Santiago, and Vivek Datta. (2020). [Intersectional Bias in Hate Speech and Abusive Language Datasets](#). 2020. *Proceedings of the Fourteenth International Conference on Web and Social Media, Data Challenge Workshop* [[GitHub](#)]

Kim J. (2020). [How Other Minorities Gained Access: The War on Poverty and Asian American and Latino Community Organizing](#). *Political Research Quarterly*. Forthcoming. [[GitHub](#)]

Kim J. (2020). [Racism Is Not Enough: Minority Coalition Building in San Francisco, Seattle, and Vancouver](#). *Studies in American Political Development*, 34(2), 195-215. [[GitHub](#)]

## PREPRINTS

Chan N, Jae Yeon Kim, and Vivien Leung. (2020). [COVID-19 and Asian Americans: How Social Exclusion Shapes Asian American Partisanship](#). *SocArXiv*. [[GitHub](#)]

Kim J and Andrew Thompson. (2020). [How Threats Shape the Politics of Marginalized: Evidence from a Natural Experiment and Machine Learning](#). *SocArXiv*. [[GitHub](#)]

Kim J and Alan Yan. (2020). [The Two Faces of Linked Fate: How Survey Respondents Interpret Linked Fate Question](#). *SocArXiv*. [[GitHub](#)]

★ **Fellowships**: Democracy Visiting Fellowship, Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation, Kennedy School, Harvard University (2020, declined), Social Media Research Fellowship, D-Lab and Social Science Matrix, UC Berkeley (2020, declined), D-Lab Data Science Fellowship, UC Berkeley (2020), Data Science Education Program Fellowship, UC Berkeley (2020), American Democracy Project Fellowship, UC Berkeley (2019), California Poverty and Socioeconomic Inequality Fellows Program, the Blum Initiative for Global and Regional Poverty Studies (2017), Berkeley Empirical Legal Studies Graduate Fellowship, Center for the Study of Law and Society, UC Berkeley (2017)

★ **Contribution to the Computational Social Science Community**: Co-organized of the [Summer Institute in Computational Social Science in the San Francisco Bay Area](#) in Summer 2020; Raised 50k+, reviewed 100+ applicants and selected 20 participants; Developed close partnerships with Bay Area nonprofits (e.g., Code for America, DonorsChoose, Hopelab)

★ **Contribution to the Open Source Software Community**: Reviewer for the *Journal of Open Source Software*