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Education

University of Illinois

2019-present

Ph.D. Political Science

Urbana-Champaign, Illinois

Subfield: International Relations, Comparative Politics(minor)

Intended minor: College Teaching

- **Courses:** College Teaching, the College Student, the Community College, Assessment for Learning, eLearning Ecologies, Diversity in Higher Education, Critical Issues in Higher Ed

Yonsei University Graduate School of International Studies

2017

Master of Global Affairs & Policy

Seoul, Korea

University of Washington, Seattle

2015

Bachelor of Arts in International Studies

Seattle, Washington

Research Interests

International Cooperation, Multilateral Agreements, Climate Change Politics, Subnational research in comparative politics, Mixed-Method Research

Dissertation/Book Project

Investigates the independent climate actions of subnational governments, focusing on how climate vulnerability, particularly from recurring weather disasters, drives them to address climate change. What motivates these governments to take adaptation or mitigation measures?

Research Experience

Research Associate

Jincheon, Korea

Korean Information Society Development Institute

October 2018-June 2019

- Perform research on “Information and Communications Technology (ICT) Official Development Assistance (ODA) Evaluation Monitoring Result-Based Approach”
- Analyze historical trends of South Korea’s ICT ODA and identify a future path for a successful policy implementation

Summer Research Fellow

Daejeon, Korea

Nuclear Nonproliferation Education and Research Center (NEREC)

June 2014-August 2014

- Served as a research fellow at the NEREC, Korea’s sole academic think tank on nuclear nonproliferation research and training
- Presented the research poster at the 2014 NEREC Conference on Nuclear Nonproliferation sponsored by the Ministry of Science, ICT and Future Planning, the Korean Nuclear Safety and Security Commission, and the Korea Nuclear Policy Society

Research Projects

Task Force 2014 European Security Strategy

Seattle, WA

Quarter-long milestone project for degree candidates to complete; the task was to provide policy recommendations on managing security crisis in developing security framework in Europe

Student Researcher - China/East Asia Chapter Lead

January 2014-March 2014

- Participated in 319-page collaborative policy recommendations on European Security Strategy
- Contributed to China/East Asia Chapter and wrote policy recommendations on conventional security
- Presented to the Acting Head of Section, Political, Security and Development, EU Delegation, Washington DC

Teaching Experience

Teaching Interests

International Relations, International Cooperation, Climate Change Politics

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

IL, USA

Independent Instructor

- **GLBL 100: Intro to Global Studies** FA 2024, SP 2024, FA 2023, SP 2023
- **GLBL 296: Global to Subnational: Actions for Climate Change** FA 2024
- **PS 385: Politics of the European Union (online)** SU 2023

Teaching Assistant

- **PS 270: Introduction to Political Theory** FA 2022
- **PS 100: Introduction to Political Science** SP 2022
- **PS 100: Introduction to Political Science** FA 2021

Grader

- **PS 318: Interest Groups & Social Movements** SP 2021
- **PS 214: American Indian Law & Politics** FA 2020
- **PS 225: Environmental Politics & Policy** FA 2019

Awards

- CITL Teachers Ranked as Excellent FA 2021

Yonsei University Graduate School of International Studies

Seoul, Korea

Teaching Assistant

- **Modern History of Korea** Winter 2016

Training & Certifications

- UIUC Graduate College Mentoring 2024
- UIUC Certificate in Technology-Enhanced Teaching 2024
- UIUC Dr. Sandra J. Finley Teacher Scholar Certificate 2024
- UIUC Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) Seminars for TAs 2023
- UIUC Graduate Teacher Certificate 2023
- UIUC Master Course in Online Teaching 2023
- Intermediate Canvas Training 2022
- IPSA – NUS 10th Annual Summer School Social Science Research Methods 2021

Grants & Awards

External Awards

- Travel Award, APSA (2024) (\$200)
- Travel Award, The ISA-Midwest (2023) (\$250)
- Pay It Forward, The ISA-Midwest (2023) (\$100)

UIUC Political Science Department Awards

- George and Priscilla Yu Scholarship (2023) (\$200)

Conference Presentations & Relevant Experiences

- Bridge the Gap
2024 New Era Workshop (NEW) Participant Denver, CO
- “Driving Forces Behind Subnational Actions in Addressing Climate Change Issues”
2024 American Political Science Association Philadelphia, PA
- “Driving Forces Behind Subnational Actions in Addressing Climate Change Issues”
2023 International Studies Association Midwest Annual Conference St. Louis, MO
- “The Impacts of Legislative Composition during Ratification Stage on Compliance with Bilateral
Environmental Agreements”
2021 Annual Meeting of Midwest Political Science Association Chicago, IL

Service

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

- Organizer, Job Market Group Workshop 2024
- Research Mentor, Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program (URAP) AY23-24
- Vice President, Political Science Graduate Student Association AY23-24
- Survey Committee, Political Science Graduate Student Association AY21-22
- Culture Committee Member, Political Science Graduate Student Association AY20-23
- Climate Committee Member, Political Science Graduate Student Association AY19-20
- Graduate Student Mentor, Political Science Graduate Student Association AY20-21, AY22-23

Skills

Programming: R, R Markdown, LATEX

Language: Korean(native), English(fluent)