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EDUCATION

DPhil	Social Policy, University of Oxford, UK Thesis: “Extending Working Lives and Attendant Social Inequalities in Ageing Welfare States” (Supervisors: Bernhard Ebbinghaus & Marek Naczyk)	2020-2024 (expected)
MSc	Comparative Social Policy (<i>Distinction</i>), University of Oxford, UK	2018-2019
BA	Social Welfare & Economics (Dual BA; <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>), Seoul National University, Republic of Korea	2012-2018

VISITING POSITIONS

2024	Stone Center for Inequality Dynamics, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, USA (5 months, Host: Fabian Pfeffer)
2023	Finnish Centre for Pensions, Helsinki, Finland (1 month, Host: Kati Kuitto)
2023	Humboldt University of Berlin, Germany (3 months, Host: Anette Fasang)
2022	University of Mannheim, Germany (3 months, Host: Bernhard Ebbinghaus)

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

Lee, K. (2024), ‘Varying Effects of Public Pensions: Pension Spending and Old-age Employment under Different Pension Regimes.’ *Journal of European Social Policy*
 - Winner of the JESP/ESPAnet Doctoral Researcher Prize 2023
 - SASE 2023 Early Career Workshop Award

Lee, K. (2022). ‘Old-age Poverty in a Pension Latecomer: The Impact of Basic Pension Expansions in South Korea’, *Social Policy & Administration*, 56(7), 1022-1040.

Lee, K. & Zaidi, A. (2020). ‘How Policy Configurations Matter: a critical look into pro-natal policy in South Korea based on a gender and family framework’, *International Journal of Sociology & Social Policy*, 40(7/8), 589-606.

Book Chapters

Ebbinghaus, B. & Lee, K. (2023). ‘From early retirement to later exit from work: shifting towards active ageing’, in Daniel Clegg & Niccolo Durazzi (eds.), *Handbook of Labour Market Policy in Advanced Democracies*, Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar.

Manuscripts in Progress

‘Welfare State Moderating the Crisis Shock: The Role of Labour Market Policies and Pension Systems during COVID-19 in Europe’ (single author).

‘Extending Working lives in Ageing Welfare States – Socially Sustainable?’ (with Kati Kuitto)

‘Retirement Trajectories in Germany after Welfare Reforms’ (with Bernhard Ebbinghaus)

‘Exclusion from a Universal Social Insurance: Cancellations in the South Korean National Pension’ (with Jongseok Oh & Seho Son)

AWARDS, RESEARCH GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2023 SustAgeable Consortium Project Grant, Helsinki, Finland [EUR 1,500]
 2023 Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy Doctoral Dissertation Grant [USD 7,500]
 2023 JESP/ESPAnet Doctoral Researcher Prize (Best Paper), European Network for Social Policy Analysis Annual Conference, Warsaw, Poland
 2023 SASE Early Career Workshop Award, Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics Annual Conference, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
 2022 German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) Short-term Research Grant [EUR 3,850]
 2022 ICPSR Summer Program Scholarship for Public Administration, Public Policy, and Public Affairs, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, USA [USD 2,600]
 2020 Centenary Scholarship, Department of Social Policy and Intervention, University of Oxford, UK [GBP 86,334]
 2020 Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies Doctoral Fellowship, Seoul, Republic of Korea [USD 20,000 p.a., up to 5 years]
 2018 Republic of Korea Government Scholarship for Study Overseas [GBP 26,700]

TRAVEL GRANTS

- DSPI Student Research Support Grant, University of Oxford, UK [GBP 350] (2023, 2021)
 Wolfson College Research & Travel Grant, Oxford, UK [GBP 500] (2023, 2022, 2021)
 European Sociological Association (RN26) Conference Travel Grant [EUR 200] (2022)
 Jesus College Graduate Research & Travel Grant, Oxford, UK [GBP 800] (2019)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2024 ‘Social Gradients in Retirement Trajectories in Germany after Welfare Reforms’
 - PAA Annual Meeting, Columbus, OH, USA, April 17-20 (scheduled)
 2023 ‘Privilege or Burden? Socio-Demographic Differences in Older People’s Work and Retirement in Europe during COVID-19’
 - Annual ESPAnet Conference, Warsaw, Poland, September 7-9
 - ISA-RC28 Summer Meeting, Ann Arbor, MI, USA, August 17-20
 - Social Policy Association Annual Conference, Nottingham, UK, July 5-7
 - ESPAnet PhD Workshop, Berlin, Germany, March 16-17
 2023 ‘Public Pensions and Old-age Employment in Ageing Welfare States: Heterogeneous Effects of Pension Spending and the Role of Pension Designs’
 - SASE Annual Conference, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, July 20-22
 - ISA-RC28 Spring Meeting, Paris, France, May 24-26
 2022 ‘Unequal Effects of Pension Reforms and the Moderating Role of Institutions’
 - ESA-RN26 Mid-term Conference, Berlin, Germany, October 7-8
 - Annual ESPAnet Conference, Vienna, Austria, September 14-16
 - FISS Annual Conference, Sigtuna, Sweden, June 6-7
 2021 ‘Employment, Retirement and Social Inequalities in Old Age: A review of literature’
 - Annual ESPAnet Conference (online), September 1-3
 - BSA Work, Employment & Society Conference (online), August 25-27
 2021 ‘Female labour market participation at a crossroads: what explains the different M-curve changes in South Korea and Japan?’

- EASP-FISS Joint Annual Conference (online), July 2-4
- 2019 'Understanding Causes of Low Fertility and Policy Arrangements in South Korea: A Look into Gender and Family Framework'
- East Asian Social Policy (EASP) Annual Conference, Taipei, Taiwan, July 2-3

INVITED TALKS/SEMINARS

- 'Myths and Truths of the South Korean National Pension', Oxford Korean Academic Society Monthly Seminar, University of Oxford, 1 December 2023
- 'Panel Data Analysis', DSPI Methods Meetup, University of Oxford, 18 October 2023
- 'Introduction to the South Korean Pension System: History, Current State and Challenges', ETK Research Seminar, Finnish Centre for Pensions, Helsinki, 4 October 2023
- 'Unequal Effects of Pension Reforms and the Moderating Role of Welfare State Institutions', Chair for Macrosociology Colloquium, University of Mannheim, 15 December 2022
- 'Analyzing Panel Data in Comparative Research', Guest lecture in Comparative Methods & Process Tracing (MA Sociology), University of Mannheim, 8 & 15 November 2022
- 'Europe's Policy Responses to Labour Market Crises during the Pandemic', Oxford Korean Academic Society Monthly Seminar, University of Oxford, 21 October 2021
- 'The Impact of Basic Pension Expansions on Older People's Income and Poverty in South Korea', BSA Social Statistics Group Brown Bag (online), 30 September 2021

TEACHING

University of Oxford, Oxford, UK

Social Policy (Undergraduate) – <i>Seminar Leader</i>	Fall 2023; 2021-2022
Quantitative Analysis (Postgraduate) – <i>Teaching Assistant</i>	Fall 2023
Training for Advanced Teaching & Learning, Higher Education Academy (UK Professional Standards Framework)	Winter/Spring 2022

University of Mannheim, Mannheim, Germany

Reform Dynamics in European Welfare States (Undergraduate) – <i>Co-Instructor</i> (with Bernhard Ebbinghaus)	Spring 2023
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RESEARCH METHODS TRAINING

- 2023 Multilevel Modelling Workshop, Centre for Multilevel Modelling, Bristol, UK
- 2022 ICPSR Summer Program, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, USA
(Courses attended: Advanced Empirical Modeling of Social Theory; Bayesian Modelling for the Social Sciences; Machine Learning in Social Science)
- 2022 Methods of Causal Inference in the Social Sciences, Nuffield College, Oxford, UK
- 2021 Sequence Analysis in the Social Sciences, Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences (GESIS), Mannheim, Germany
- 2021 Panel Data Analysis for Comparative Research, Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis, Colchester, UK
- 2020 Longitudinal Data Analysis Workshop, Institute of Epidemiology and Health Care, University College London, UK
- 2020 Panel Data Analysis Workshop, Korea Social Science Data Archive, Seoul National

University, Republic of Korea

RESEARCH & WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2021 Research Assistant, University of Oxford, UK
Oxford Supertracker Project: A global directory for COVID-19 policy trackers and surveys. (<https://supertracker.spi.ox.ac.uk/>)
- 2021 Research Assistant, Seoul National University, Republic of Korea
Wrote policy report ('Europe's Social Policy Responses during COVID-19 Pandemic') for the Ministry of Health and Welfare, Republic of Korea
- 2020 Research Assistant, King's College London, UK
Project: "Welfare Reform and Social Progress in South Korea: Effective Social Policies for a Low-Fertility and Ageing Society in the Global Economy"
- 2019-2020 Research/Administrative Officer, Seoul National University, Republic of Korea
- 2019 IARU Global Intern, Oxford Institute of Population Ageing, Oxford, UK
- 2018 Social Work Trainee, Hanwoori Rehabilitation Center, Seoul, Republic of Korea
- 2016-2017 International Exchange Program, University College London, UK
- 2014-2015 Military Service, National Assembly Police Officer, Seoul, Republic of Korea

ACADEMIC SERVICES

Journal Referee: Journal of the Economics of Ageing; Ageing & Society, International Journal of Sociology & Social Policy, Poverty & Public Policy

Core Member, Pensions Policy Research Group, Social Policy Association UK, 2023-2024

Organizing Committee, Symposium for Early Researchers in Social Policy & Intervention, Nuffield College, Oxford, 27 May 2022

Co-organiser, The 2nd Oxford-Korea Forum, Wolfson College, Oxford, 12 November 2021

Co-chair, Young Scholar Session: Labour market and social policy responses to the pandemic, The COVID-19 Public Health and Social Measures (PHSMs) Conference, 6 October 2021

Treasurer (2020-2021), Oxford Korean Academic Society

HONOURS & AWARDS (Undergraduate Level)

- 2018 Students' Outstanding Essays Award, Seoul National University
- 2018 President of the Alumni Association Award, Seoul National University
- 2017 Undergraduate Research Grant, Seoul National University
- 2016 Grand Prize of Nationwide Contest, Fair Trade Commission of Korea
- 2016 Centenary Liberal Arts Undergraduate Scholarship, Korea Student Aid Foundation
- 2013 Undergraduate Student Scholarship, Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies
- 2013 Seoul National University Foundation Scholarship

OTHER SKILLS

Languages: English (full professional), Korean (native)

Statistical Software: R, Stata