

# YoungJin Kwon

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## Research Interests

### Research Topics.

- Blockchain-based Digital Asset Market, GenAI Productivity and Creativity, Art & Tech

### Research Methods.

- Econometrics, Computer Vision, Natural Language Processing, Lab & Field Experiment

## Education

- 2026 **University of Minnesota,**  
(Expected) *Ph.D. in Information and Decision Sciences (IDSc)*, Minneapolis, MN.  
Advisor: Alok Gupta
- 2020 **Hanyang University,**  
*M.S. in Management Information Systems*, Seoul, Korea.  
Advisor: Sang-Yong Tom Lee
- 2018 **Hanyang University,**  
*B.A. in Business Administration*, Seoul, Korea.

## Theme: Blockchain-based Digital Asset Marke

### Why Did the NFT Market Crash? Antecedents and Consequences of Wash Trading.

- with Alok Gupta, Teng Ye
- Job Market Paper
- Targeting *Management Science*

### From Boom to Bust and Beyond: A Longitudinal Analysis of NFT Collector Performance.

- **YoungJin Kwon**, Teng Ye, Alok Gupta
- Submitted to *Information Systems Research*
- Presented at Workshop on Information Systems and Economics (WISE) 2024
- Presented at INFORMS ISR - ISS Paper Development Workshop 2024
- Presented at Workshop on Information Technologies and Systems (WITS) 2023

### Tokenized Access: How NFT Market Empowers Minority Artists.

- **YoungJin Kwon**, Agnes Yang, Gautam Ray
- Submitted to *MIS Quarterly*
- Presented at Workshop on Information Technologies and Systems (WITS) 2024
- Presented at Conference on Information Systems and Technology (CIST) 2024
- Presented at INFORMS Annual Meeting 2024

## Theme: Generative-AI Creativity & Productivity

### Large Language Models in Academia: Boosting Productivity but Reinforcing Inequality.

- **YoungJin Kwon**, Agnes Yang
- To be presented at International Conference on Information Systems (ICIS) 2025
- To be presented at INFORMS Annual Meeting 2025
- To be presented at Wharton Annual Business & Generative AI Workshop 2025

## Perception and Valuation of Human-AI Co-created Art: Computational Aesthetics Approach.

- with Alok Gupta
- Analysis in progress

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## Theme: Sharing Economy

### Friend or Foe? Bike-sharing and Ride-sharing in New York City.

- **YoungJin Kwon**, Agnes Yang, Sang-Yong Tom Lee, and Seung Hyun Kim
- Targeting FT 50 journal
- Presented at Workshop on Information Systems and Economics (WISE) 2019
- Best paper award at Post-ICIS KRAIS Research Workshop 2019
- Master's Thesis

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## Presentation

- 2025 **ICIS**, *Nashville, USA*.
  - Large Language Models in Academia: Boosting Productivity but Reinforcing Inequality
- 2025 **Wharton Business & Generative AI Conference**, *San Francisco, USA*.
  - Large Language Models in Academia: Boosting Productivity but Reinforcing Inequality
- 2025 **INFORMS Annual Meeting**, *Atlanta, USA*.
  - Large Language Models in Academia: Boosting Productivity but Reinforcing Inequality
- 2024 **WITS**, *Bangkok, Thailand*.
  - Inclusion by Design: How Disintermediation through Art NFT Empowers Minority Artists
- 2024 **WISE**, *Bangkok, Thailand*.
  - An Exploration of Investor Strategies and Outcomes in the Roller Coaster Ride in NFT Markets
- 2024 **INFORMS ISR - ISS Paper Development Workshop**, *Seattle, USA*.
  - An Exploration of Investor Strategies and Outcomes in the Roller Coaster Ride in NFT Markets
- 2024 **CIST**, *Seattle, USA*.
  - Inclusion by Design: How Disintermediation through Art NFT Empowers Minority Artists
- 2024 **INFORMS Annual Meeting**, *Seattle, USA*.
  - Inclusion by Design: How Disintermediation through Art NFT Empowers Minority Artists
- 2023 **WITS**, *Hyderabad, India*.
  - An Exploration of Investor Strategies and Outcomes in the Roller Coaster Ride in NFT Markets
- 2019 **WISE**, *Munich, Germany*.
  - Friend or Foe? Bike-sharing and Ride-sharing in New York City
- 2019 **KRAIS**, *Munich, Germany*.
  - Entrepreneurship as a Source of Innovation: Founders in IT Firms
- 2018 **ICIS**, *San Francisco, USA*.
  - Impact of Information Sharing Legislation on Cybersecurity Industry

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## Teaching

- Fall 2023 **Instructor (University of Minnesota)**.
- Spring 2023
  - IDSC 4444: Exploratory and Predictive Analytics
  - Course Description: Descriptive and Predictive Analytics exposes students to a number of data mining and machine learning methods, including: exploratory methods (such as association rules and cluster analysis), predictive methods (such as k-NN and decision trees), and text mining methods. The course combines theoretical lectures with lab lectures, where the methods are practically implemented using the software R.
  - Student Rate of Teaching: 5.27/6 (78% of participation rate)

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## Teaching Assistant

- 2020 - 2024 **TA (University of Minnesota).**
- IDSC 6446: Business Analytics for Managers II (2024)
  - IDSC 3551: Business Analytics (2024, 2025, 2026)
  - IDSC 6410: Exploratory Data Analysis (2022)
  - MSBA 6440: Causal Inference via Econometrics and Experimentation (2021)
  - IDSC 3104: Enterprise Systems (2020)

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## Honors and Scholarships

- 2024, 2025 **Small Grant for Diversity Equity and Inclusion Research.**
- Awarded by Carlson school
- 2024 **Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship.**
- Awarded by Carlson school
- 2023 - 2025 **Student Travel Grant.**
- Awarded by Carlson school
- 2021 - 2024 **Summer Research Fellowship.**
- Awarded by Carlson school
- 2020 - 2025 **Willoughby Fellowship.**
- Awarded by Carlson school
- 2020 - 2025 **Doctoral Fellowship.**
- Awarded by Carlson school
- 2019 **Best Paper Award.**
- Awarded by KrAIS

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## Technical Skills

Python, R, Stata, MongoDB, MySQL, LaTeX, RapidMiner

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## Professional Services

- Reviewer.**
- Management Science, ICIS 2025, WITS 2025 & 2024, ICIS 2022, PACIS 2020
- 2023 - 2025 **Board Member (University of Minnesota).**
- Board member of Student Advisory Committee (SAC)
- 2023 - 2024 **Organizer (University of Minnesota).**
- Brown bag session organizer

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## Other interests

- Attending musical performances
- Exploring art exhibitions
- Camping and grilling
- Strumming my bass guitar
- Enjoying a good film
- Swimming

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## References

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