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## **Education**

Ph.D. candidate in Economics, Virginia Tech, USA	Expected Fall 2023
Thesis title: Three Essays in Agricultural and Applied Economics	
Advisors: Ford Ramsey and Chi Ta	
Visiting Program, Law and Political Science, Nagoya University, Japan	Summer 2013
M.A., Economics, Sungkyunkwan University, South Korea	2011
B.A., Business Management, Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University, Japan	2007

## **Research Interest**

Applied Econometrics, Agricultural Economics, Energy Economics, Experimental Economics

## **Publications**

Ford Ramsey, Tadashi Sonoda, Minkyong Ko, [“Intersectoral Labor Migration and Agriculture in the United States and Japan”](#), *Agricultural Economics*, 2023, 54 (3): 364-381  
Inchul Kim and Minkyong Ko, [“The Religious Approach to Tax Burden”](#), *Korean Journal of Public Policy*, 2009, 16: 83-100

## **Working Papers**

“Warming Temperatures and Potential Adaptation through Breeding: Evidence from U.S. Soft Winter Wheat”, with Ford Ramsey  
“Semiparametric Analysis of Out-farm Migration in China”

## **Work in Progress**

“Enhanced Salience of Nonlinear Pricing and Energy Conservation”, with Chi Ta and Teevrat Garg

## **Research Experience**

Research Assistant for Prof. Chi Ta, Virginia Tech	May/2023 - Dec/2023
Research Assistant for Prof. Ramsey Ford, Virginia Tech	Sep/2018 - May/2023
Researcher for Sungkyun Institute of China Studies	Mar/2012 – Jan/2015
Research Assistant for Prof. Kyusung Ok, Korea National Open University	Mar/2011 - Feb/2012
Research Assistant for Prof. Inchul Kim, Sungkyunkwan University	Sep/2009 - Dec/2010

## **Teaching Experience**

Teaching Assistant, Personal Financial Planning (Bsc, Virginia Tech)	Aug/2017 - May/2018
Teaching Assistant, International Finance (BA, Sungkyunkwan University)	Sep/2009 - Dec/2009
Teaching Assistant, Developmental Economics (BA, Sungkyunkwan University)	Mar/2009 - Jul/2009

### **Conference and Presentations**

Warming Temperatures and Potential Adaptation through Breeding: Evidence from U.S. Soft Winter Wheat

- Association of Environmental and Resource Economists, Miami, Florida, June 2022
- Agricultural and Applied Economics Association, Anaheim, California, July 2022

Semiparametric Analysis of Out-farm Migration in China

- Agricultural and Applied Economics Association, Washington D.C., July 2023

Enhanced Salience of Nonlinear Pricing and Energy Conservation

- Camp Resources XXIX, Asheville, North Carolina, August 2023
- Midwest Economics Association, Chicago, Illinois, March 2024 (scheduled)

The Religious Approach to Tax Burden

- Western Economic Association International, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, July 2009
- Asia Pacific Economic Association, UC Santa-Cruz, California, July 2009

### **Grant and Fellowship**

Sungkyunkwan University collaborative student exchange program

Aug/2013

Brain Korea 21 Fellowship, Ministry of Education of Korea

Mar/2009 – Dec/2010

4-year 100% Tuition Reduction (Undergraduate)

Apr/2002 – Sep/2007

**Programming:** Stata, R, SAS, Latex

**Language:** Korean (native), English (fluent), Japanese (fluent), Chinese (intermediate)

### **References**

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