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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Postdoctoral Scholar <i>Center for Spatial Studies and Data Science, Department of Geography, University of California, Santa Barbara</i>	Jan 2026 –
Graduate Researcher <i>Spatial Health AI Research Partnership (SHARP), The University of Texas at Dallas</i>	2024 – 2025
Adjunct Lecturer (Summer/Winter Methodology Workshops) <i>Korea Social Science Data Archive (KOSSDA), Seoul National University</i>	2023 – 2025
Research Assistant <i>Korea Institute of Public Administration (KIPA), National Research Council for Economics, Humanities and Social Sciences</i>	2020

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Public Policy and Political Economy <i>The University of Texas at Dallas (Brian J.L. Berry Scholarship, Highest Honor)</i> • Fields: Health Policy, Social Policy, Environmental Policy • Dissertation: <i>Long-Term Effects of Neighborhoods on Educational Attainment by Disability Status</i>	2025
M.S. in Geospatial Information Science <i>The University of Texas at Dallas</i>	2025
M.A. in Public Administration <i>Yonsei University (Brain Korea 21 PLUS Scholarship, National Research Foundation)</i>	2020
B.A. in Public Administration <i>Ajou University (National Excellence Scholarship, Deputy Prime Minister of Korea)</i>	2018
Exchange Student <i>Julius-Maximilian University of Würzburg, Germany</i>	2016 – 2017

RESEARCH AREAS

Substantive	Public Health, Policy Evaluation, Neighborhood Effects, Disability, Aging
Methodological	GIS, Spatial Data Science, Causal Inference, Quasi-experiment, Machine Learning

PUBLICATIONS * Corresponding author; † Student co-author

5. **Kim, P.**, Choi, S.[†], Kim, D., & Lee, C.*. (2026). "[Bayesian spatio-temporal modeling for policy evaluation: Sensitivity of policy effect estimates in the context of COVID-19 stay-at-home orders.](#)" *PLoS One* 21(2): e0339196.
 4. **Kim, P.***, Kim D., Scotch R., Jeong D.[†], & Kowalske K. (2025). "[Geospatial analysis of community-level social and environmental barriers for adult burn injury survivors in North Texas.](#)" *Burns*, 51(5), 107512.
 3. Hong, S.* , Jeong, D.[†], & **Kim, P.** (2024). "[Have offender demographics changed since the COVID-19 Pandemic? Evidence from money mules in South Korea.](#)" *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 91, 102156.
 2. Maxwell, S. P., Brooks, C., **Kim, P.**, Kim, D., McNeely, C. L., & Thomas, K*. (2023). "[Understanding habitats and environmental conditions of white-tailed deer population density and public health data to aid in assessing human tick-borne disease risk.](#)" *Microorganisms*, 11(4), 865.
 1. **Kim, P.** & Bae, H.* (2022). "[Do firms respond differently to the carbon pricing by industrial sector? How and why? A comparison between manufacturing and electricity generation sectors using firm-level panel data in Korea.](#)" *Energy Policy*, 162, 112773.
- [In Korean]
2. Han, M.S.[†], & **Kim, P.** (2022). "[Analysis of factors affecting corporate participation in Carbon Disclosure Project: Organizational Institutionalism perspective](#)". *GRI Review*, 18(1), 181-209.
 1. **Kim, P.**, & Kim, S. Y.*. (2017). "[Analyzing the opposition to nuclear power energy on the Internet: Focusing on the moderating effect of policy efficacy](#)". *Crisisonomy*, 13(3), 1-15.

UNDER REVIEW

Kim, P.* "From Command-and-Control to Carbon Pricing: Estimating the Causal Effects on Firm Environmental Performance" ([Available at SSRN](#))

Kim, H.[†], **Kim, P.***, "Modeling Policy Diffusion Across Space and Time: A Bayesian Spatial–Temporal Approach"

Kim, P., Jung, J.[†], Min, C., Choi, H., Kim., D, Kumar, P.[†], Hwang, J., & Song, D*. "mHealth Intervention Integrating Personal PM2.5 Monitoring and Deep Learning to Reduce Pediatric Asthma Exacerbations: A Pilot Study"

WORKING PAPERS

"Geospatial Analysis on Dental Health Service Access and Workforce Distribution in Kenya" (with Brenda Okumu, Caroline Kibosia, Dohyeong Kim, Arthur Kemoli, Osman Adullahi, & Hyewon Lee)

"The Impact of Medicaid Expansion on Cancer Outcomes: Evidence on the Moderating Role of Oncology Care Access" (with Kristine Hahm)

"Spatial Mismatch and Retirement Transitions: Evidence from Unexpected Residential Relocation" (with Peter Kedron)

GRANTS *Non-U.S. awards are reported in USD using award-date exchange rates, rounded to the nearest dollar.*

I have participated in awarded grants totaling \$3,717,126, of which my recognized contribution was \$33,800.

[Under Review]

1. Spatial Mismatch and Retirement Transitions: Evidence from Unexpected Residential Relocation 2026
 - Role: Key Personnel
 - PI: Peter Kedron, UC Santa Barbara
 - *Alfred P. Sloan Foundation via the University of Michigan (\$50,000)*

[PI / Co-PI]

1. [What Is the Relationship Between Adolescent Neighborhood Environments and Long-Run Labor Market Outcomes for Children with Disabilities?](#) 2024 – 2025
 - **PI: Pyung Kim, UTD**
 - *Social Security Administration via Retirement and Disability Research Center at UW-Madison (\$6,000; Recognition: \$6,000)*
2. The Geography of Disability Inclusion: The Long-Term Impacts of Neighborhoods on Children with Disabilities in Texas 2025
 - **PI: Pyung Kim, UTD**
 - *UT Dallas & [Pioneer Natural Resources](#) (\$1,000; Recognition: \$1,000)*

[Key Personnel]

4. Interventional Study to Prevent Exacerbation of Atopic Dermatitis by Exposure to Particulate Matter 2024 – 2027
 - Role: Data Scientist
 - PI: Kangmo Ahn, *Samsung Medical Center*
 - *Korea Disease Control and Prevention Agency (\$629,630; Recognition: \$4,600)*
3. [Geospatial Community Mapping to Assess Social and Environmental Barriers and Facilitators for Burn Survivors](#) 2022 – 2026
 - Role: GIS Specialist
 - PI: Karen Kowalske, *UTSW Medical Center*; co-PI: Dohyeong Kim & Richard Scotch, *UTD*
 - *National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (\$2,320,495; Recognition: \$12,600)*
2. The Capacity-Building Project for Primary Healthcare Workforce to Improve Maternal and Child Oral Health in Kilifi County, Kenya 2025 – 2026
 - Role: GIS Specialist (**field study in Kenya, October 2025**)
 - PI: Hyewon Lee, *Seoul National University*
 - *Korea International Cooperation Agency (\$440,000; Recognition: \$5,600)*
1. Spatial Distribution of Natural Radiation in Jeonbuk and Jeonnam Provinces 2023 – 2025
 - Role: GIS Specialist
 - PI: Yeol Rho, *Chonnam National Univ.*; co-PI: Dohyeong Kim, *UTD*
 - *National Institute of Environmental Research of Korea (\$320,000; Recognition: \$4,000)*

[Research Assistant]

4. A Study on International Standards of Software Safety Assessment and Legal Arrangement of Domestic and Foreign Countries 2020
 - Role: Research Assistant
 - PI: Hyunsuk Ryu, *Korea Institute of Public Administration*
 - *Korea Software Policy & Research Institute*
3. An Analysis of the Local Government Social Welfare Budget 2018
 - Role: Research Assistant
 - PI: Jaejin Yang, *Yonsei University*
 - *Korea Ministry of Health and Welfare*
2. Analysis of National Distrust Structure of Nuclear Safety Regulations and Development of Risk Communication Strategies for Recovering Trust 2015 – 2016
 - Role: Research Assistant
 - PI: Seoyong Kim, *Ajou University*
 - *Korea Foundation of Nuclear Safety*
1. Track and Analyze the Performance of Technological Development Project for Original Research 2015
 - Role: Research Assistant
 - PI: Seoyong Kim, *Ajou University*
 - *National Research Foundation of Korea*

AWARDS AND HONORS[External Awards]

- Public Administration Research Conference Travel Award, *University of Central Florida* 2025
- [JSIT Research Grant](#), *Social Security Administration via UW-Madison* 2024
- [Junior Scholar Intensive Training \(JSIT\)](#), *Social Security Administration via UW-Madison* 2024
- President Travel Award for APPAM, *Korean Association for Policy Studies* 2023
- Brain Korea 21 PLUS Scholarship, *National Research Foundation* 2018 – 2020
- The Next Century Humanities Scholarship (National Excellence Scholarship),
awarded by the Deputy Prime Minister; funded by the Korea Student Aid Foundation 2015 – 2018

[Internal Awards]

- PPPE Graduate Student Travel Grant, *UT Dallas* 2023 – 2025
- Keith Lankford Taylor Fellowship, *UT Dallas* 2023
- [Brian J.L. Berry Scholarship](#) (Highest Honor), *UT Dallas* 2021 – 2025
- UT Dallas Graduate Studies Scholarship, *UT Dallas* 2021 – 2025

YUPA Graduate Studies Scholarship, <i>Yonsei University</i>	2018 – 2020
President's Award for Outstanding Graduate , <i>Ajou University</i>	2018
Teaching Assistantship for Undergraduate Student, <i>Ajou University</i>	2015 – 2018
Excellence in Undergraduate Research Project, <i>Ajou University</i>	2015
Dean's list, <i>Ajou University</i>	2015
Merit-based Full Tuition Scholarship, <i>Ajou University</i>	2014
Dean's list, <i>Ajou University</i>	2014

INVITED TALKS

“Long-Term Effects of Neighborhoods on Educational Attainment by Disability Status”, <i>Department of Geography, University of California, Santa Barbara, USA</i>	Feb 2026
“Quasi-Experimental Mover Designs for Identifying Neighborhood Effects”, <i>Department of Geography, University of California, Santa Barbara, USA</i>	Feb 2026
“Using GIS to Improve Rural Health Service Planning: Lessons from Kilifi County, Kenya”, <i>Kilifi Department of Health in Kilifi County, Kenya</i>	Oct 2025

TEACHING

<u>[Certificate]</u>	
Graduate Teaching Certificate, <i>UT Dallas</i>	2025
<u>[Co-Instructor]</u>	
Machine Learning and Deep Learning for Social Science (with R)	Winter 2026 (planned)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Korea Social Science Data Archive</i> (graduate) 	
GIS and Spatial Statistics (with QGIS, GeoDa, and R)	Summer 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Korea Social Science Data Archive</i> (graduate) • <i>Rating: 9.91/10</i> 	
Advanced GIS and Spatial Statistics (with R)	Summer 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Korea Social Science Data Archive</i> (graduate) • <i>Rating: 9.84/10</i> 	
Introductory GIS and Spatial Statistics (with QGIS, GeoDa, and STATA)	Summer 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Korea Social Science Data Archive</i> (graduate) • <i>Rating: 9.54/10</i> 	
<u>[Guest Lecture]</u>	
• Analysis of Variance, undergraduate statistics course (EPPS 2302), <i>UT Dallas</i>	April 2025
• Probability Distributions, undergraduate statistics course (EPPS 2302), <i>UT Dallas</i>	Feb 2025
• Introductory Calculus, graduate statistics course (EPPS 7313), <i>UT Dallas</i>	Sep 2023

[Teaching Assistant]*UT Dallas*

- Civil Liberties (undergraduate) Fall 2024; Fall 2025
- Methods of Quantitative Analysis in the Social and Policy Sciences (undergraduate) Fall 2022; Spring 2023; Spring 2025
- Economics for Public Policy (graduate) Spring 2024
- Global Health and Society (undergraduate) Fall 2023; Spring 2024
- Descriptive and Inferential Statistics (graduate) Fall 2023
- American National Government (undergraduate) Spring 2022; Fall 2021

Korea Social Science Data Archive

- Big Data and Machine Learning for Social Science (graduate) Winter 2024; 2025
- Introductory and Advanced GIS and Spatial Statistics (graduate) Summer 2022

Yonsei University

- Quantitative Policy Analysis (undergraduate) Fall 2019
- Forecasting Methods and Applications (graduate) Spring 2018

Ajou University

- Introduction to Korean Government (undergraduate) Fall 2017
- Research Methods in Public Administration (undergraduate) Spring 2016

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

* APPAM (Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management); APHA (American Public Health Association); ASPA (American Society for Public Administration); ACRM (American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine); SER (Society for Epidemiologic Research); ASA (American Sociological Association)

2025 APPAM, APHA, ASA, SER

2024 APPAM, ACRM, ASPA

2023 APPAM, APHA, ASPA

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Statistical Analysis (R, STATA)

Geospatial Analysis (R, Arc GIS, QGIS, GeoDa, Tableau)

Machine Learning / Deep Learning (R)

DATA ACCESS

2. The Impacts of School Neighborhoods on the Academic and Labor Market Outcomes of Students with Disabilities 2024

- *PI: Pyung Kim*
- *Student-level longitudinal data (1999 – 2023, $N \geq 5,000,000$)*
- *Texas Schools Project*

1. Geospatial Community Mapping to Assess Social and Environmental Barriers and Facilitators for Burn Survivors 2022
 - PI: Karen Kowalske, UTSW Medical Center, UTD
 - Patient-level longitudinal data (1994 – 2022, $N \geq 25,000$)
 - National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research

SERVICE

[Peer Reviewer]

Policy Studies Journal; Scientific Reports; Energy Policy; Energy Economics; International Journal of Finance and Economics; PLOS ONE

[University Service]

Secretary, Korean Student Association, UT Dallas	2023 – 2024
Vice President, Graduate Student Assembly in Public Administration, Yonsei University	2018 – 2019
Student Mentor, Office of Admissions, Ajou University	2014 – 2015