

# Rena Sung

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## EDUCATION

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### University of Pittsburgh

*Ph.D. in International Affairs and Public Policy*

Pittsburgh, PA

*Expected in May 2023*

### Texas A&M University

*M.A in Political Science*

College Station, TX

*May 2019*

### Columbia University

*M.A in International Affairs*

New York, NY

*May 2017*

### Brown University

*B.A in International Relations and Economics*

Providence, RI

*May 2009*

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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**Substantive:** Political economy, International Political Economy, High-skilled immigration, Economic sanctions, Public opinion and behavior, Multinational firms and governance

**Methodological:** Experimental design, Causal inference, and Computational social science

## DISSERTATION PROJECT

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**Title:** Unpacking High-Skilled Immigration in the United States

**Committee:** Erica Owen (Chair), Daniel Jones, Jude Hays, Quan Li

## PUBLICATIONS

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**Sung, Rena,** and Jonghyuk Park. 2022. "How Do Economic Sanctions Affect Public Opinion and Consumer Behavior in Target States? Evidence from China's Economic Sanctions on South Korea." *International Studies Quarterly* 66, no. 3: sqac023

**Sung, Rena,** and Jonghyuk Park. 2022. "Economic Sanctions and Consumer Behavior in Target States: An Agent-Based Model of Boycott Movements." In *Conference of the Computational Social Science Society of the Americas*, pp. 43-55. Springer, Cham

Owen, Erica, and **Rena Sung**. 2020. "Labor and Trade Protection in Comparative Perspective." In *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics*

**Sung, Rena,** Erica Owen, and Quan Li. 2019. "How do capital and labor split economic gains in an age of globalization?." *Review of International Political Economy* 28, no. 1: 232-257

## WORKING PAPERS

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'The Political Economy of High-skilled Immigration: Votes and Sponsorship on High-skilled Immigration Bills in the U.S. Congress'

'Reshaping Attitudes toward High-Skilled Immigration: How Does Information About Labor Market Competition, Difficulty Faced by Foreign Nationals, and International Rivalry Affect the Attitudes of High-skilled Native Citizens toward High-skilled Immigration?' Pre-analysis plan available

'Microfoundations of Firms' Hiring Preferences toward Native citizens and Foreign Nationals.'

'Economic Sanctions, Hostility, and Consumer Behavior in Target States: Under What Conditions Do Target State's Public Boycott Sanctioning States in response to Economic Sanctions?' (with Jonghyuk Park)

## GRANTS

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Travel Grants, American Political Science Association	July 2022
Dissertation Grants, University of Pittsburgh	April 2022
Graduate Assistantship, University of Pittsburgh	September 2019 – Present
Graduate Assistantship, Texas A&M University	September 2017 – May 2019
Ottaway Fellowship, Columbia University	September 2015 – May 2017
Toyota Scholarship, International House, New York	September 2016 – May 2017

## TEACHING EXPERIENCES

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University of Pittsburgh	Graduate School of Public and International Affairs
PIA2022 Quantitative Analysis I, Instructor of record	Fall 2022
PIA2022 Quantitative Analysis I, Teaching assistant	Spring 2022
PIA2022 Quantitative Analysis I, Teaching assistant	Fall 2021

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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Association for Public Policy & Management, Washington, D.C., US	November 2022
International Political Economy Society, Pittsburgh, US	October 2022
American Political Science Association, Montreal, Canada	September 2022
Penn State – Pittsburgh IR Workshop, Penn State University	May 2022
Computational Social Science conference, Virtual conference	November 2021
American Political Science Association, Virtual conference	September 2021
American Political Science Association, Virtual conference	September 2020
International Studies Association, Toronto, Canada	March 2019
Southern Political Science Association, Austin, Texas	January 2019

## ACADEMIC SERVICES

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Reviewer	International Studies Quarterly
University of Pittsburgh	Graduate School of Public and International Affairs
Search committee for International political economy, Student representative	Fall 2021
Columbia University	School of International and Public Affairs
Admissions Office, Student assistant	Fall 2016
Academic Department, Student assistant	Spring 2017

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

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<b>IBM</b>   <i>Global Business Services</i>	Seoul, South Korea
• Senior consultant	August 2013 – May 2015
• Consultant	January 2011 – July 2013
<b>Korea Development Bank Capital</b>   <i>Investment Banking</i>	Seoul, South Korea
• Investment Analyst	September 2009 – September 2010

## SKILLS

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**Programs:** R, STATA, Python, Qualtrics, mTurk, Latex  
**Languages:** Korean (native), English (fluent), Chinese (intermediate)

## REFERENCES

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### **Erica Owen**

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Public & International Affairs*  
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