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Education

M.A., Political Science and International Relations, Seoul National University

B.A., International Studies, Kyung Hee University

Exchange Student, School of International Studies, Peking University

Winter Program at UC Davis

2018 (expected)

August 2014

Spring 2013

Winter 2011

Publication

"Left Coalitions' Reactions to the Emergence of a Far-Right Coalition and Brexit in EU." 2017. (in Korean) Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP) Research Paper Series 5:46 (SSRNid3015179) (with Soo Ahn Shin)

Best Paper Award of the 3rd KU-KIEP-SBS Centre (A Research Consortium Sponsored by the European Commission) Research Paper Competition on EU Studies (\$3,000)

Working Papers

- "Do Legislators Speak As They Vote?: Discrepancy Between Congressional Roll Calls and Press Releases on Trade in the 114th US Congress"
 - Do legislators speak as they Vote on trade-related issues? This paper shows that legislators with the same vote profile on trade-related bills show significantly different positions on trade and their positions are highly related to their constituency interests. In this paper, I employ GloVe, a word embedding method, to measure legislators' revealed preferences on trade in press release data.
- "Rusty Representation in Congress: Trade Vote and Trade Talk, 2003-2012" (with Jong Hee Park)
 - How do legislators respond to their constituents' discontent on free trade? We address this question using legislators' roll call vote and congressional floor speech on free trade agreement in the U.S. House from 2003 to 2012. We demonstrate that legislative voting and floor speech on free trade-related bills show discrepancies: voting better reflects the economic interests of trade winners in constituency, while speech better reflects those of trade losers in constituency.
- "Who are Responsible and Who are Reprehensible?: The Effects of Legislators' Trade Votes on Presidential Election"
 - This paper argues that legislators' votes on trade-related bills have effects on presidential voting. Using ANES and district-level election data, I show that voters who answered "increasing trade is bad" tend to punish incumbent party more harshly in presidential election if their representatives cast more pro-trade votes than those whose representatives cast less pro-trade votes.
- "Measuring China Agendas in the U.S. Congress using Structural Topic Model"

 Is there a partisan divide on China in the US Congress? In this paper, I analyze partisan divides revealed

upon congressional speeches on China-related issues from 1989 to 2012 using Structural Topic Model.

Presentations

- "Measuring Trade Positions in Legislative Press Releases with Word Embedding" scheduled at the 5th Annual Meeting of Asian Political Methodology, Seoul, January 2018
- "Structural Topic Model for Measuring China Agendas in the U.S. Congress" presented at the 3rd Annual Meeting of Asian Political Methodology, Beijing, January 2016.

Experiences

TA for Professor Jong Hee Park, Department of Political Science and International Relations, Seoul National University

Global Leaders Practice (Free Trade Agreement and International Politics)
 International Political Economy
 Global Leaders Practice (Data Analysis and International Politics)
 Fall 2017
 Fall 2016

RA for Professor Jae Ho Chung

Spring 2015

- Program on US-China Relations (PUCR)

RA at Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP)

Fall 2013

- Data Collection and Assisting Researches
- The 3rd KIEP-IMF Joint Conference

TA for Professor Doo Yong Yang, Department of International Studies, Kyung Hee University

- International Finance Spring 2013

- Introduction to Principles of Economics II

Fall 2012

Awards and Grants

2017 KU-KIEP-SBS Best Paper Awards (\$3,000) for "Left Coalitions' Reactions to the Emergence of a Far-Right Coalition and Brexit in EU." (with Soo Ahn Shin) May 2017 Teaching Assistantship, Seoul National University Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Fall 2017 Research Assistantship, Seoul National University Spring 2015 Merit Based Scholarship, Seoul National University Fall 2014 Merit Based Scholarship for Five Semesters, Kyung Hee University 2010-2012 Teaching Assistantship, Kyung Hee University Fall 2012 - Spring 2013 Special Interchange Student Scholarship (\$2,000), Kyung Hee University Fall 2012 Scholarship for International Training Program (\$2,000), Kyung Hee University Fall 2011 Scholarship for Faculty-Led Abroad Program, Kyung Hee University Spring 2011

Software and Programming

R, Python, Stata, ŁTŁX

Languages

Korean (Native), Chinese (HSK Level 5)