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CONTACT INFORMATION

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APPOINTMENTS

Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

Assistant Professor, Division of Social Science

July 2025 - present

University of Pennsylvania

Postdoctoral Fellow, Perry World House

2023 - 2025

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Political Science, Northwestern University

2023

- Fields: American Politics, Methodology
- Committee: James Druckman (Chair), John Bullock, Mary McGrath

M.S., Statistics and Data Science, Northwestern University

2023

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

2018

B.A., International Studies, Kyung Hee University, South Korea

2014

PUBLICATIONS

[“Correcting Misperceptions of Out-partisans Decreases American Legislators’ Support for Undemocratic Practices,”](#) *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 120(23), p.e2301836120, 2023.

James N. Druckman*, **Suji Kang***, James Chu, Michael N. Stagnaro, Jan G. Voelkel, Joseph S. Mernyk, Sophia Pink, Chrystal Redekopp, David G. Rand, and Robb Willer

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[“Academics Are More Specific, and Practitioners More Sensitive, in Forecasting Interventions to Strengthen Democratic Attitudes,”](#) *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 121(3), e2307008121, 2024.

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WORKING PAPERS

- “Beyond the Party Line: The Role of Nonpartisan Sources and Motivations in Shaping Partisan Attitudes on Trade”
Suji Kang and Jong Hee Park (Under Review)
- “Do Accuracy-Driven Citizens Always Hold Few Misperceptions?” (Job Market Paper)

- “How Do Issue Characteristics Influence People’s Reliance on Credible Source Cues?”
- “Do Legislators Speak As They Vote?: Inconsistency Between Congressional Roll Calls and Press Releases on Free Trade”

SELECTED WORK IN PROGRESS

- “When Do People Accurately Perceive Credible Sources? Experiments Manipulating Accuracy Prompts and Issue Importance”
- **Strengthening Democracy Challenge Project**
 - “Individual Correlates of Accuracy in Forecasting Interventions to Strengthen Democratic Attitudes”
- **Borders and Boundaries Project** (supported by the National Science Foundation)
 - “Border Walls as Political Symbols and Support for Undemocratic Practices” with Beth Simmons
 - “Discourses of Border Control in Congressional Speech” with Michael Kenwick and Beth Simmons

TEACHING

Division of Social Science, Hong Kong University of Science & Technology

- Survey Design and Methods Spring 2026
- Quantitative Data Analysis for Social Research I Spring 2026

TA, Department of Political Science, Northwestern University

- Quantitative Causal Inference (Graduate) Spring 2021
- Political Psychology Winter 2021
- Introduction to International Relations Fall 2020
- Statistical Research Methods Spring 2020
- Introduction to Empirical Methods Winter 2020
- Introduction to International Relations Fall 2019

TA, Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University

- Business Analytics II Summer 2019
- People Analytics and Strategy Spring 2019
- Analytics for Strategy (Causal Inference) Winter 2019

TA, Department of Political Science and International Relations, Seoul National University

- Global Leaders Practice (Data Analytics and International Politics) Fall 2017
- International Political Economy Spring 2016
- Global Leaders Practice (Text Mining, Text Analysis, and Free Trade Agreement) Fall 2015

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

RA for Professor James Druckman (Northwestern Univ.) Summer 2021 - Spring 2022, Spring 2023
Graduate Research Assistance at the Institute for Policy Research (IPR), Fall 2022 - Spring 2023
Northwestern University

RA for Professor Jong Hee Park (Seoul National Univ.) Fall 2015 - June 2018
Intern at Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP) Fall 2013

AWARDS AND GRANTS

- The Rapoport Family Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Grant (\$15,000) Spring 2022
- Graduate Research Grant (\$3,000), The Graduate School, Northwestern University Fall 2021
- Graduate Student Funding in American Politics and Methods (\$1,000), Northwestern University Fall 2022
- Graduate Student Funding in American Politics and Methods (\$1,000), Northwestern University Fall 2021
- Graduate Student Funding in American Politics and Methods (\$1,100), Northwestern University Fall 2020
- Minar Memorial Summer Awards (\$800), Northwestern University Summer 2019
- First Prize, 2017 KU-KIEP-SBS EU Centre Research Paper Competition May 2017
Publication: “Left Coalitions’ Reactions to the Emergence of a Far Right Coalition (Europe of Nations and Freedom) and Brexit in European Parliament” Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP) Research Paper Series, 2017. pp. 5-44. (in Korean) with Soo Ahn Shin
- Merit Based Scholarship, Seoul National University Fall 2014
- Merit Based Scholarship for Five Semesters, Kyung Hee University 2010-2012

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Journal Referee: *Political Psychology, Public Opinion Quarterly, Political Science Research and Methods, International Journal of Communication*

Book Proposal/Series Review: *Cambridge Elements Series on Experimental Political Science*

Department & University Service

Coordinator of the Northwestern Political Science Research Lab (PSRL) Fall 2021 - Spring 2022

INVITED TALKS

- Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Division of Social Science March 2025
- University of Central Florida, School of Politics, Security, and International Affairs March 2025
- Department of International Relations, University of Seoul November 2024
- Department of Political Science and International Relations, April 2024
Seoul National University
- Department of Political Science, Stony Brook University November 2023

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia September 2024
- Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior Conference, Florida State University February 2024
- American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Los Angeles September 2023
- Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago April 2023
- Midwest Association for Public Opinion Research, Chicago November 2022
- Chicago Area Behavior Conference, Evanston May 2022
- Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago April 2022
- Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago April 2021
- Annual Meeting of Asian Political Methodology, Seoul January 2018
- Annual Meeting of Asian Political Methodology, Beijing January 2016

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Northwestern-Duke Causal Inference Workshop, Duke University
Causal Inference (Prof. Kosuke Imai), University of Tokyo

Summer 2019
Summer 2018

SKILLS

Programming and Software

R, Python, Stata, Qualtrics, L^AT_EX, HTML, CSS

Languages

English (fluent), Korean (native)

REFERENCES

James Druckman

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Beth Simmons

Andrea Mitchell University Professor
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University of Pennsylvania
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John Bullock

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