SUNWOO KWAK

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Sinchon-dong, Seodaemun-gu, Seoul, Republic of Korea

EDUCATION

M.A. in Political Science, Yonsei University (Expected: 2026)
Department of Political Science, Yonsei University

B.A. in Political Science and International Relations, Yonsei University 2025
Underwood International College, Yonsei University

RESEARCH INTEREST

- **American Politics**
- **Legislative Studies and Congress**
- **Political Parties and Elections**
- **Political Communication and Public Opinion**

PUBLICATION

1. Kang, Sinjae, **Sunwoo Kwak**, and Jeongmin Lee. 2024. "Did the 2019 Revision of the National Assembly Act Revitalize Subcommittees? Analyzing the Frequency and Scheduling Determinants of Bill Review Subcommittee Meetings." *Legislation and Policy Studies*, 17(1): 5–36. [in Korean]

2. Terashita, Kazuhiro, Eunmi Cho, Juhyeon Jeong, and **Sunwoo Kwak**. 2024. "Who Mentions the Region?: Analyzing Geographical Representation through Parliamentary Speeches." *Journal of Parliamentary Research*, 19(1): 5–42. [in Korean]

UNDER REVIEW

1. **Kwak, Sunwoo**, Sinjae Kang, and Eunmi Cho. "Who Controls the Legislative Process? Party Cartels, Committee Gatekeepers, and Subcommittee Activity in the South Korean National Assembly," *Legislative Studies Quarterly*

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2025 Annual American Political Science Association Conference (APSA)

- Signaling Through Dollars: How Primary Challenge Contributions Shape Congressional Behavior

2025 Summer Korean Political Science Association Conference (KPSA)

- Signaling Through Dollars: How Primary Challenge Contributions Shape Congressional Behavior

2025 International Political Science Association World Congress (IPSA)

- Who Controls the Legislative Process?: Party Cartels, Committee Gatekeepers, and Subcommittee Activity in the South Korean National Assembly

2025 Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference (MPSA)

- Economic Agendas in Governors' Speeches Using Text as Data: Impact of Electoral and Institutional Conditions

2024 Annual Korean Political Science Association Conference (KPSA)

- Did the 2019 Revision of the National Assembly Act Revitalize Subcommittees? Analyzing the Frequency and Scheduling Determinants of Bill Review Subcommittee Meetings [in Korean]

2024 Summer Korean Political Science Association Conference (KPSA)

- Who Mentions the Region?: Analyzing Geographical Representation through Parliamentary Speeches [in Korean]

2024 Annual World Association of Public Opinion Research Conference (WAPOR)

- Mentioning Party Labels in Campaign Ads: Changing Campaign Behavior under a Polarized and Nationalized Context

2023 Annual Korean Political Science Association Conference (KPSA)

- Mentioning Party Labels in Campaign Ads: Changing Campaign Behavior under a Polarized and Nationalized Context [in Korean]

WORKING PAPERS

"Signaling Through Dollars: How Primary Challenge Contributions Shape Congressional Behavior" *(Presented at 2025 APSA conference).*

"Economic Agendas in Governors' Speeches Using Text as Data: Impact of Electoral and Institutional Conditions" (with Eunmi Cho). *(Presented at 2025 MPSA conference).*

"Mentioning Party Labels in Campaign Ads: Changing Campaign Behavior under a Polarized and Nationalized Context" (with Kyungrim Chung and Yoojin Kim). *(Presented at 2023 KPSA conference and 2024 WAPOR conference).*

AWARDS & HONORS

Graduate

- Awarded Best Paper Award by the Yonsei University Graduate Student Association Academic Support Program (Spring 2025)
  - "Economic Agendas in Governors' Speeches Using Text as Data: Impact of Electoral and Institutional Conditions"

Undergraduate

- Awarded Highest Honors Scholarship (Spring 2023, Fall 2023, Spring 2024, Fall 2024)

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, Yonsei University

- Applied Data Analysis (Spring 2025)
- Method of Empirical Research (Spring 2025)

ADDITIONAL METHOD TRAINING

Workshops and Programs

- Participated in "2025 Summer Institute in Computational Social Science in Korea (SICSS-Korea)" organized by KDI School of Public Policy and Management and KAIST.
- Participated in "2024 Summer Methods Workshop" organized by Korea Association of Party Studies (KAPS).

Coursework

- Took "Special Topics in Political Methodology" during the Spring semester of 2025.
- Took "Advanced Method of Empirical Research" during the Fall semester of 2024.
- Took "Research Methods in Political Science" during the Fall semester of 2024.
- Took "Applied Data Analysis" during the Spring semester of 2023.

COMPUTATIONAL SKILLS

R, STATA, Python, LaTeX, Quarto