Tammy Sunju Lee

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Education

University of Michigan

Ph.D., Economics

Duke University

M.A., Economics

Ewha Womans University, Korea

2020–2026(expected)

2016–2018

2012–2016

Summa cum laude

Fields

Labor Economics, Public Economics, Gender and Family Economics

Dissertation

"Mandated Paternity Leave and Fertility: Evidence from South Korea" (Job Market Paper) (with Jungmin Lee)

"Beliefs about the Career Costs of Children and Family Formation" (with Bongseop Kim)

Research in Progress

B.A., International Studies

"Unconditional Cash Transfers and Youth Labor Market Trajectories: Evidence from South Korea" (with Jungmin Lee and Sohee Jeon)

"Workplace Childcare and Labor Dynamics within Firms" (with Jungmin Lee and Ross Chu)

"Sorting of Working Parents into Family-Friendly Firms" (with Jungmin Lee, Ross Chu, Sohee Jeon, and Hyunseng Lee)

Grants, Fellowships, and Awards

Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant(\$3,000), University of Michigan	2026
SYLFF Fellowship, University of Michigan	2026
Pre-Doctoral Traineeship in Economic Demography, Population Studies Center	2022 – 25
Small Grant Award(\$6,000), Population Studies Center	2023
Research Support Fund(\$750), Population Studies Center	2023
Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant(\$1,500), University of Michigan	2022
William Haber Graduate Fellowships, University of Michigan	2020 – 21
M.A. Merit Scholar Award, Duke University	2017
Dean's List, Ewha Womans University	2012-2015

[&]quot;Family-Friendly Firms and the Motherhood Penalty" (with Jungmin Lee and Hyunseung Lee)

Research Experience

University of Michigan

Graduate Student Research Assistant to Dr. Joel Slemrod

2022

Project: Group Equity and Implicit Gender Discrimination in the U.S. Income Tax

Graduate Student Research Assistant to Dr. Basit Zafar

2021-2022

Project: COVID-19 Impact on Gender Differences in Willingness to Pay on Job Amerities

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Pre-doctoral Fellow to Dr. Christopher Palmer

2018-2020

Teaching Experience

University of Michigan

TA for Principles of Microeconomics (Undergraduate)

Fall 2021, Winter 2022

Presentations

Population Association of America Annual Meeting, KER International Conference 2025 World Congress of the Econometric Society, ISR-Zwerdling Seminar (Michigan)

Public Finance Lunch Seminar (Michigan), Labor Lunch Seminar (Michigan)

2024

H2D2 Seminar (Michigan), BEE Lab Meeting (Michigan)

Labor Lunch Seminar (Michigan), H2D2 Seminar (Michigan)

2023

Other Information

Citizenship: South Korea and United States

Languages: English, Korean

Programming: STATA, MATLAB

References

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