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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Political Science , University of Minnesota (expected) Dissertation: <i>Authority without Territory: State Claims of Right in the Global Commons</i> . Committee: Mark Bell, Ron Krebs (co-advisors), Tanisha Fazal, Kevin Luo. Fields: International Relations, Political Methodology. Geospatial Skills Certificate; graduate coursework in cartography, GIS, and remote sensing.	2027
M.A., Political Science , University of Minnesota	2024
M.A., Security Studies , Georgetown University, Walsh School of Foreign Service International Security Concentration.	2019
B.A., Political Science and International Relations , Seoul National University	2015
B.A., Sociology , Seoul National University Honors: <i>summa cum laude</i> . Minor: Economics.	

WORKING PAPERS

- “Claiming the Global Commons: State Claims of Right beyond Territory.”
- “Sovereign Rights without Sovereignty: The Exclusive Economic Zone.”
- “Stabilized Liminality: The Air Defense Identification Zone.”
- “When Claims Fail: The Bogotá Declaration, the Australian Maritime Identification Zone, and the Limits of Authority without Territory.”

PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT

- “Climate Shock and State Claims of Right in Polar Governance.”
- “Claimed and Delegated: Air Defense Identification Zones, Flight Information Regions, and Two Ways of Holding the Sky.”
- “Commons Without Claimants: Why Some Spaces Escape the National Claim of Right.”
- “Territorialization of Global Commons: The Case of the South China Sea.”
- “Artificial Islands in the Asia-Pacific: Crossroads of Geopolitics, Capitalism, and Climate Crisis.”

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“The Transformation of Semi-Sovereign Spaces.” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference.	2026
“Territorialization of Global Commons: The Case of the South China Sea.” American Political Science Association Virtual Research Group Workshop.	2026
“Governing the Gaps: The Emergence of Semi-Sovereign Spaces.” International Studies Association Annual Convention.	2026
“Extended Territorial Claims in Global Politics.” International Studies Association Virtual Conference.	2024
“Artificial Islands in the South China Sea.” Asian Studies on the Pacific Coast Conference.	2024

“Four Faces of the Air Defense Identification Zone: Same Diffusion, Different Mechanisms” (with Yoonsoo Kim and Jeeyon Choi). IS-ISSS Annual Conference.	2021
“Artificial Island Building in the South China Sea: The Uncharted Race for Maritime Territorialization.” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference.	2021
“Enhancing Cybersecurity as a Public Good.” International Studies Association Northeast Annual Conference; IS-ISSS Annual Conference.	2019
“Riddles of Artificial Island Building in the South China Sea.” IS-ISSS Annual Conference.	2019

TALKS AND ROUNDTABLES

“Modeling the Stabilization of International Norms.” Minnesota Political Methodology Colloquium.	2025
Roundtable on Historical International Relations (panelist). Minnesota International Relations Colloquium.	2025
“Four Faces of the Air Defense Identification Zone” (with Yoonsoo Kim and Jeeyon Choi). Minnesota International Relations Colloquium.	2021
Lunch & Learn: International Security (panelist). Georgetown Security Studies Program.	2021

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

Graduate Research Partnership Program Fellowship, University of Minnesota.	2025
Dissertation Proposal Development Program Fellowship, University of Minnesota.	2024
College of Liberal Arts Graduate Fellowship, University of Minnesota.	2020–2021
National Humanities and Social Sciences Scholarship, Korea Student Aid Foundation.	2010–2014

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant , Department of Political Science, University of Minnesota	2021–2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Political Science Capstone, Kevin Luo, Spring 2025. • International Conflict and Security, Ron Krebs, Fall 2024. • The Politics of Nuclear Weapons, Mark Bell, Spring 2024. • Quantitative Analysis in Political Science, Dan Myers, Fall 2023. • Global Politics, John Freeman, Spring 2023. • American Democracy in a Changing World, Scott Abernathy, Spring 2023. • Global Politics, Ron Krebs, Fall 2022. • U.S. Supreme Court Decision-Making, Process, and Politics, Timothy R. Johnson, Spring 2022. • American Democracy in a Changing World, Dan Myers, Fall 2021. 	

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant , Department of Political Science, University of Minnesota	2020
Research support for faculty projects on international judges and historical forced displacement.	

ADVANCED METHODS TRAINING

Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR).	2025
Summer Workshop on Computational Social Science, University of Minnesota.	2025

SELECTED ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Harnessing NISAR: Next-Generation Radar Observations for Earth Applications, NASA Applied Remote Sensing Training Program (ARSET) (scheduled).	2026
Internationalizing Course Design Summer Institute, University of Minnesota.	2024
Assessment Deep Dive Program, University of Minnesota.	2023
Analyst Training: Writing, Analysis, and Preparing Briefings, Georgetown University Security Studies Program.	2018

SOFTWARE

Python, R, Stata, ArcGIS Pro, QGIS.

LANGUAGES

Korean (native), English (fluent), Japanese (fluent), Mandarin Chinese (intermediate), French (elementary).

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Organizer, Minnesota Political Methodology Colloquium.	2021–2024
International Student Representative, Political Science Graduate Student Life Committee, University of Minnesota.	2022–2023
Reviewer, Council of Graduate Students Grant, University of Minnesota.	2021–2023
Peer reviewer, Georgetown Security Studies Review.	2019–2020

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Political Science Association, International Studies Association, Midwest Political Science Association, Minnesota Population Center, Pacific Forum Young Leader.

TRANSLATION

- Co-translated Odd Arne Westad's *The Global Cold War* into Korean (Ecolivres, 2020).
- Co-translated Allen W. Wood's *Kant* and selected entries from the Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy (Philo-Electro-Ray, 2016–2023).
- Co-translated three Japanese books on East Asia (Hanul, 2014–2015).