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Research Interests

International Law, International Institutions and Design, Transnational Organized Crime, International Organizations, Diplomacy and Negotiations

Education

University of Texas, Arlington <i>Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science</i>	2024 September – Arlington, TX
Northwestern University <i>PhD, Political Science</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Major: International Relations• Minor: Methods	2017 – 2024 August Evanston, IL
University of Chicago <i>Master of Legal Studies</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• With Full Scholarship and Stipend	2019 – 2020 Chicago, IL
Northwestern University <i>Master of Arts</i>	2017 – 2020 Evanston, IL
Korea University <i>Course Completion, Masters in Political Science and International Relations</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Major: International Relations	2015 – 2017 Seoul, South Korea
Korea University <i>Bachelor of International Studies and Political Science</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Valedictorian with Collegial Honors• Summa Cum Laude• Division of International Studies Major• Political Science and International Relations Double Major	2011 – 2015 Seoul, South Korea

Publications

"The Complex of Issue Networks in Transitional Justice" (with Sumin Lee) in *The Role of Networks in Advancing Human Rights*, Edward Elgar Press. [Link]

"Facing a Blow to Sovereignty, Why Comply? An Analysis of Compliance at the International Court of Justice." Published in the Yonsei Journal of International Studies. Volume 9, Issue 2. (ISSN: 2005-9809). P 206-230.

Book Project

Designing the Global Governance of Crime

Related Fieldwork

- Washington, USA. Organization of the American States Archives (2025 May)
- Washington, USA. Organization of the American States Archives (2023 December)
- Vienna, Austria. United Nations Office for Drugs and Crime (2022 October - 2023 April)
- Seoul and Daejeon, South Korea. Interview with Diplomats, Prosecutors, and Academics (2022 March - 2022 May)

Under Review

"Arbitrators as Advisors: Evidence from Changes in Investment Treaty Design." Co-authored with Minju Kim. *Revise and Resubmit at The Review of International Organizations*.

Working Papers

"The Vienna Spirit: Why Negotiations Succeed While Key Provisions Falter." *Paper available upon request*

"Leaving the Door Open: ICC Withdrawal and the Curious Norm Compliance in Africa" Co-authored with Sumin Lee. *Paper available upon request*

"Evolution or Devolution? The Unchanging Face of Nuclear Proliferation Agreements." Co-authored with Saera Lee. *Paper available upon request*

Work in Progress

"Stigma Sensitivity: The Life and Death of Balance of Payments Safeguards in the GATT/WTO" Co-authored with Stephen C. Nelson.

"The Socialization Dilemma: How Ratification Impacts Future Collaboration" Co-authored with Rachel Hulvey.

"Forced Consensus: Why Environmental Negotiations Choose Deadlock Over Efficiency?" Co-authored with Diana Elhard.

"Individual-driven Diffusion" Designing the OPCAT." Co-authored with Dagmar Heintze.

Paper Presentations

American Political Science Association (APSA)	2025, 2024, 2022 (Poster, declined)
International Studies Association (ISA)	2026, 2025, 2024, 2023
International Studies Association Midwest	2023
Midwest Political Science Association	2025, 2021, 2019 (JSS)
Political Economy of International Organization	2023 (Poster)
Conference on International Law and the Social Sciences	2024
Texas Triangle	2025
Economy and Society Summer Conference	2023

Grants & Scholarships

ASU Global Human Rights Hub Mini Research Grant (with Sumin Lee) \$1000	2023
<i>Arizona State University</i>	
ISA Travel Grant \$500	2023
<i>International Studies Association</i>	
ISA-Midwest Travel Grant \$250	2023
<i>International Studies Association</i>	
Bridge Grant for Conference Travel \$150	2023
<i>Northwestern University</i>	
Minar Awards Summer Research Funding \$500	2023
<i>Northwestern University</i>	
The Graduate School, Graduate Research Grant \$3,000	2023
<i>Northwestern University</i>	
Buffett Institute for Global Affairs Research Travel Award \$5,000	2022
<i>Northwestern University</i>	
Department of Political Science Conference Funding \$500	2021-2023
<i>Northwestern University</i>	
Access Lex Emergency Stipend, University of Chicago Law School \$3,000	2020
<i>University of Chicago</i>	
University of Chicago Law School Stipend \$24,633	2019-2020
<i>University of Chicago</i>	
University of Chicago Law School Full Scholarship \$72,174	2019-2020
<i>University of Chicago</i>	
Minar Awards Summer Research Funding \$1,000	2019
<i>Northwestern University</i>	
Department of Political Science Conference Funding \$500	2019
<i>Northwestern University</i>	
Department of Political Science, University Fellowship \$30,780	2017-2018
<i>Northwestern University</i>	

Teaching Experience

Courses Taught, Department of Political Science, University of Texas at Arlington:

- International Organization (POLS 4312, Spring 2025)
- Global Governance and International Institutions (POLS 4392 / POLS 5342, Spring 2025)
- Politics of International Law (POLS 4373, Fall 2024)
- Introduction to International Relations (POLS 3302, Fall 2024)

Research and Work Experience

Intern, United Nations Office for Drugs and Crime <i>Division of Treaty Affairs, Firearms Trafficking Section</i>	2022 – 2023
GA, Buffett Institute for Global Affairs <i>Northwestern University</i>	2021-2022
RA for Professors Karen Alter and Stephen Nelson <i>Northwestern University</i>	2017 - 2021
RA for Center for Global Climate and Marine Governance, Korea University <i>Korean University</i>	2017
RA for Social Science Korea Human Rights Forum <i>Korea University</i>	2016-2017
Junior Fellow, Seoul Forum for International Affairs	2015 - 2016
Intern, Trilateral Commission Annual Meeting, Seoul, Korea	2015

Language & Training

Statistical Programming: R programming
Institute for Qualitative & Multi-Method Research 2023

References

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