

Curriculum Vitae

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Academic Positions

Mar 2022- present	: Professor, Graduate School of International and Area Studies, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, Republic of Korea
Mar 2019 - 2022	: Associate Professor, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies
Mar 2018 - Jan 2019	: Assistant Professor, Keimyung University, Republic of Korea
Jul-Sept 2016	: POSCO Visiting Research Fellow, East West Center, Hawaii
Jul 2009-Jan 2018	: Senior Lecturer, University of Malaya, Malaysia
Sept 2004-Oct 2008	: PhD Candidate, Dept of International Politics, Aberystwyth University
Feb 2003-Apr 2004	: MA Strategic Studies (High Distinction), Australian National University
Sept 1999-Jun 2008	: BSc. (Hon.s), International Relations and History, London School of Economics and Political Science

Research Interests

Security dilemma theory, North Korea, security and diplomacy in East Asia, fake news, conspiracy theories, cyberwarfare, strategic culture, US foreign and security policy, middle and small powers in the Indo-Pacific region, the rise of China, hybrid warfare, influence operations, socio-community hardening

Selected Publications

Books

- *The US Versus the North Korean Nuclear Threat: Mitigating the Nuclear Security Dilemma* (Routledge, 2014)

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- 2025: (forthcoming), 'Sociocommunity Hardening and Adaptable Resilience in Policymaking: Lessons from Sub-State Crises in South Korea and Taiwan', to be published with *Journal of East Asian Affairs*.
- 2024: (with PARK, Jae Jeok), 'The Five Power Defense Arrangement: Persistence from the Cold War', *The Korean Journal of Defense Analysis*, Vol. 36, No. 4, December 2024.
- 2024: (with SUNG, Chul Jung), 'Middle powers and unilateralism against hybrid threats in the Indo-Pacific: South Korea, Singapore, and Taiwan', *Australian Journal of International Affairs*, Vol. 78 (Special Issue)
- 2023: (with SAYANKINA, Sofiya), 'Cyberwarfare and the Weaponization of Information in US-China 21st Century Geostategic Rivalry', *Pacific Focus*, Vol.38, No.2
- 2022: 'Russia's Invasion of Ukraine: The ROK's Diminishing Room for Middle Ground', *International Journal of Korean Unification Studies*, Vol. 31, No. 2
- 2022: (with PARK, Jae-Jeok), 'South Korea's New Southern Policy and Its Implications for Its U.S. and China Relations', *Asia Policy*.
- 2022: (with YOO, Hyun-Chung), 'Sino-Myanmar Relations in the Aftermath of the February 2021 Coup in Naypyidaw: Continuation and Change in China's Myanmar policy', *Asian Perspective*, Vol. 46, No.4.

- 2022: (with KIM, Jangho), “The ROK Amidst The ‘Second Cold War’: Implications of the Emerging Sino-Russian Condominium of Geostrategic Power in Eurasia”, *Korean Journal of Defense Analysis*, Vol.34, No.3.
- 2021: (with YOO, Hyun-Chung), North Korean Political Thinking as a Reflection of Regime Survival Strategy, *International Journal of Korean Unification Studies*, Vol. 30, No.2.
- 2021: (with GOVINDASAMY, Geetha), Russia And The Korean Peninsula: Central Rather Than Peripheral?, *Korea Observer*, Vol. 52, No. 1.
- 2020: (with LEE, Jung Hoon), North Korea’s Nuclear and Human Rights Conundrum: Implications for South Korea’s Unification Goal, *Pacific Focus*, Vol. XXXV, No.2.
- 2020: (with PARK, Jae Jeok and SATAKE, Tomohiko), Security Hedging Strategies of U.S. Allies and Partners in the Era of Trump: The ROK, Japan and Singapore as Case Studies, *The Korean Journal of Defense Analysis*, Vol. 32, No.2.
- 2020: (with PARK, Jae Jeok), The US-North Korean Asymmetrical Security Dilemma: Past the Point of Nuclear No Return?, *International Area Studies Review*, Vol. 23, No.2.
- 2019: *Byungjin* and the Sources of Pyongyang’s Paranoia, *International Journal of Korean Unification Studies*, Vol. 28, No.2.
- 2019: Mapping Out the Possible Outcomes of the Security Dilemma in International Politics, *Asian International Studies Review*, Vol. 20, No. 1.
- 2019: Source Triangulation as an Instrument of Research on North Korea, *North Korea Review*, Vol. 15, No. 1.
- 2019: (with BRIDGES, Brian), Revisiting the 1983 Rangoon Bombing: Covert Action in North Korea’s Foreign Relations, *Korea Observer*, Vol. 50, No. 1.
- 2018: Overcoming the Challenge of Fake News, *IAFOR Journal of Arts and Humanities*, Vol. 5, No. 2.
- 2018: (with PARK, Jae Jeok) Exploiting Sino-US Geostrategic Competition: The View from Seoul and Singapore, *Asian Studies Review*, Vol. 42, No.3.
- 2018: Is North Korea Serious About Denuclearization as a Costly Signal? A Reality Check on the Pyongyang Thaw of 2018, *Journal of Global Politics*, Vol. 11, No. 1.
- 2017: Cyberwarfare and the Russian Weaponisation of Information in the 2016 US Elections, *Global Policy*, 21 August, <https://www.globalpolicyjournal.com/articles/science-and-technology/cyberwarfare-and-russian-weaponisation-information-2016-us-elections>.
- 2015: (with KIM, Seung Jin, and KIM, Gi-Seung), Norman Angell and the logic of economic interdependence revisited: 1914, 2014, *Asia Europe Journal*, Vol. 13, No.4.
- 2015: (with PARK, Chang Kyoo, and GOVINDASAMY, Geetha), The Potential Role of South-East Asia in North Korea’s Economic Reforms: The Cases of ASEAN, Vietnam and Singapore, *Journal of African and Asian Studies*, Vol. 52, No. 2.
- 2014: (with PARK, Chang Kyoo and GOVINDASAMY, Geetha), Designing Economic Reforms: The Cases of North Korea and Vietnam, *International Journal of Korean Unification Studies*, Vol. 23, No. 1.
- 2013: (with PARK, Chang Kyoo, and GOVINDASAMY, Geetha), The Revival of Russia’s Role on the Korean Peninsula, *Asian Perspective*, Vol. 37, No. 1.
- 2012: (with GOVINDASAMY, Geetha), From Kim Jong Il to Kim Jong Un: nuclear impasse or diplomatic opportunity?, *Asia Europe Journal*, Vol. 10, No.s 2-3.
- 2009: ‘North Korea’s Rocket and Nuclear Tests, 2009: A Threatening Pyongyang or an Afraid Pyongyang?’, *Korea Observer*, Vol. 40, No. 3.

Chapters in edited books

- 2014: Singapore's diplomacy between the United States and China, in Kyu-Roon Kim (*et. al.*), *Harmonious Diplomacy Towards the United States and China* (Seoul: Korea Institute for National Unification (2014) (published in Korean). Available at http://www.dbpia.co.kr/journal/articleDetail?nodeId=NODE06140620&language=ko_KR.

Review Articles

- 2018: Review of Nicholas Wheeler, *Trusting Enemies: Interpersonal Relationships in International Conflict* (Oxford University Press, 2018) <https://www.globalpolicyjournal.com/blog/15/10/2018/book-review-trusting-enemies-interpersonal-relationships-international-conflict>.
- 2017: Review of A Cathcart, R Winstanley-Chesters and C Green (ed.), *Change and Continuity in North Korean Politics* (Routledge, 2017), in *Copenhagen Journal of Asian Studies* Vol.35, No. 1 (2017).
- 2016: Review of Van Jackson, *Rival Reputations: Coercion and Credibility in US-North Korean Relations* (Cambridge, 2016), in *Copenhagen Journal of Asian Studies*, Vol. 34, No. 2.

Others

- 2021: 'South Korea, Singapore and Taiwan take on Coronavirus', published with The Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, in Collaboration with Digital Asia Hub, in response to the April 2020 Open Call for Papers on: 'The Next Digital Decade – Policy Approaches from Asia', <https://medium.com/digital-asia-ii/south-korea-singapore-and-taiwan-take-on-coronavirus-7650a40bcde>.