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## EDUCATION

- 2018- **Ph.D. in Social Work, Columbia University**  
- Concentrations: Social Policy and Policy Analysis, Economics  
- Supervisor: Dr. Jane Waldfogel
- 2015-2016 **MSc Social Policy (Research) with *Distinction*, London School of Economics and Political Science, UK**  
- Dissertation: The Role of Income and Parenting in Child Development: Evidence from Korea  
- Dissertation Supervisor: Dr. Tania Burchardt
- 2011-2013 **Master of Public Administration, Graduate School of Public Administration, Seoul National University, South Korea**  
- Dissertation: A Study on Effects of Educational Attainment on Governance: from the Perspective of Civic Culture  
- Dissertation Supervisor: Professor Huck-ju Kwon
- 2007-2011 **BA *summa cum laude* Consumer and Child Studies, Seoul National University, South Korea**  
- Dissertation: A Study on the Elderly Consumers' Information Search Behavior (awarded 2010 Dissertation Award for Excellence)
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## TEACHING

- 2020 Teaching Assistant to Dr. Qin Gao, Advanced Research Methods and Statistics for Policy Practice (Graduate level), Columbia University
- 2011 Teaching Assistant to Dr. Huck-ju Kwon, Theories of Public Policy (Graduate level), Seoul National University
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## RESEARCH

- 2018- Fellow. Columbia Population Research Center.
- 2018- Doctoral Research Assistant to Dr. Jane Waldfogel.  
- NYC Longitudinal Study of Young Children's Health and Development (PI: Dr. Jane Waldfogel).  
- The Development of Inequalities in Child Development Achievement: A Six-Country Study (DICE) (PI: Dr. Elizabeth Washbrook).
- 2017-2018 Research Assistant. Korea Institute of Public Administration, South Korea.
- 2013-2015 Researcher. Asia Development Institute, Seoul National University, South Korea.
- 2011-2013 Research Assistant. Asia Development Institute, Seoul National University, South Korea.
- 2011-2013 Graduate Research Assistant to Dr. Huck-ju Kwon
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## REFEREED PRESENTATIONS

- 2020 Can Buy Happiness? Child Allowance as a Strategy to Address Maternal Well-Being. 2020 International Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Virtual Conference.
- 2011 National Development and Social Protection Strategy in Cambodia (with Dr. Huck-ju Kwon). 2011 Winter Conference of the Korean Association for Public Administration. Seoul, Korea.
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## Policy Reports & Working PAPERS

- 2017 Park, Jeongho, Kim, Eunju, Kim, Yoonhee & **Kwon, Sarah Jiyoon**. An Investigation into Public Perception towards Official Development Assistance Policy of South Korea. *Contract Project 2017-01*. Korea Institute of Public Administration
- 2017 Kim, Eunyoung, Choi, Jeung Yun, Kim, Hyejin, Chi, Yunsuh, **Kwon, Sarah Jiyoon** & Lee, Kyungmin. ASEM Education Agenda & Management System Development. *KEDI TR 2017-51*. Korea Educational Development Institute.
- 2015 Kwon, Huck-ju, Koo, Min Gyo, **Kwon, Sarah Jiyoon** & Seo, Danbi. A Case Study on Education Sector Development in Developing Countries: Focusing on the Asian Development Bank Education Projects. *ADI*

2013 Kwon, Huck-ju, Lee, Hwan Seong, Bae, Je Hyun & **Kwon, Sarah Jiyoung**. International Development Framework for 'Post-MDGs' and the Role of Korea. *ADI Working Paper Series.* Asia Development Institute.

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## HONORS AND AWARDS

2020 Columbia University Doctoral Student Travel Award  
2019 Scholarship, Seoul National University Alumni Association in Greater New York  
2011-2012 SNU Superior Academic Performance Scholarship  
2010 2010 Consumer News Report Award for Excellence, Seoul Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA)  
2010 SNU 2010 Dissertation Award for Excellence  
2010 SNU Development Fund Scholarship  
2008-2009 SNU Superior Academic Performance Scholarship

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Oct. 2017-  
Aug. 2018 **Research Assistant, Korea Institute of Public Administration, South Korea**  
- Crafted and analyzed national policies of South Korea.

Oct. 2016-  
Aug. 2017 **Program Specialist, Task Force for ASEM Education Ministers' Meeting, Ministry of Education, South Korea**  
- Developed and published a discussion agenda in the field of higher education for the 6<sup>th</sup> Asia-Europe Education Ministers' Meeting.  
- Built and managed international networks of 53 Asian and European partner countries and stakeholders.

Jan. 2013-  
Mar. 2015 **Researcher, Asia Development Institute, Seoul National University, South Korea**  
- Conducted various research projects, published working papers.  
- Performed as a program manager at international conferences and events, cooperating with major international organizations including OECD and ADB.  
- Core international events include learning programs for public officials, a part of the ADB's Phnom Penh Plan for Development Management and diplomat training programs, partnered with Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA).

Mar. 2011-  
Feb. 2012 **Research Assistant, Asia Development Institute, Seoul National University, South Korea**  
- Assisted in research projects, and data analysis, using STATA and SPSS.  
- Performed as a program staff at various international conferences and events.

Jun.-Aug.  
2010 **Internship, American Chamber of Commerce in Korea**  
- As an intern at the Department of Partners for the Future Foundation, assisted the 2010 Fall semester university student scholarship selection process.  
- Assisted in hosting Korea – US partnership conferences and events.

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## EXTRACURRICULAR EXPERIENCES

2009 Student Researcher, Consumer Science Symposium, Seoul National University

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## VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

2011 Volunteer Teacher, Seoul National University Global Volunteers in Viet Nam  
2010 Volunteer Social Worker, Korea Food for the Hungry International  
2008 Volunteer Assistant, Korean Language Education Center, Seoul National University

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## SKILLS AND OTHER INFORMATION

Statistical Tools Proficient in STATA and SPSS (have conducted numerous research and data interpretation)  
Experienced in R  
Language Korean (Native), English (Proficient), Japanese (Conversational)