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EDUCATION

University of Iowa

- Ph.D., Political Science, 2018
 - Title of Dissertation: *Water and Energy Resource Dependence and Conflict*
 - Dissertation Committee: Sara Mitchell (Chair), Kelly Kadera, Brian Lai, Alyssa Prorok, and Tyler Priest
- M.A. Political Science, 2014

Seoul National University, South Korea

- M.A., Political Science, 2010
- B. A., Political Science, 2007

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION

ICPSR Summer Program

- Maximum Likelihood Estimation for Generalized Linear Models, 2015

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

International Relations

- Introduction to International Relations; International Conflict; Natural Resource Conflict; Water Conflict and Cooperation; Natural Resources and National Security; Trade and Conflict

Environmental Politics

- Introduction to Environmental Politics; Environmental Politics and Policy; Natural Resource Politics and Policy; Politics of Water; Politics of Energy Resources; Resources and Human Security

Comparative Politics

- Introduction to Comparative Politics; Comparative Resource Politics; Asian Security and Politics; Politics in Northeast Asia

PUBLICATIONS

“Energy Resources and the Risk of Conflict in Shared River Basins” (With Sara Mitchell). Forthcoming. *Journal of Peace Research*.

“Politics of Managing Economic Crisis: A Comparative Analysis of Korea and Japan.” 2011. *Social Science Studies* 19(1):164-192.

“The Identity of American Political Science: Research and Education in the United States” (With Chang Jae Baik). 2008. *Journal of Korean Politics* 17(2):245- 271.

WORKS UNDER REVIEW

“Building Reputation: Leader Tenure and Combatant Behavior in Civil War” (With Alyssa K. Prorok) (Revise and Resubmit, *Journal of Peace Research*)

WORKING PAPERS

“Resource Dependence, Energy Price, and Interstate Conflict”

— *Abstract: This project shows that the effect of resource dependence on interstate conflict is contingent on natural resource prices. By focusing on riparian countries who share international rivers and energy resources prices, e.g. oil and gas price in a global market, the empirical results show a price-contingent effect of resource dependence on interstate disputes.*

“Water Resource Dependence and Domestic Conflict and Cooperation”

— *Abstract: This study explores the relationship between a state’s dependence on water resource and domestic water-related conflict and cooperation. By using the Water-Related Intrastate Conflict and Cooperation event dataset and an original measure of a state’s dependence on water resource in shared river basins, the empirical results show that as a state is more dependent on water resource, it is more likely to experience domestic water-related cooperation, such as an improvement with respect to water quantity/quality. In addition, higher level of water resource dependence decreases the severity of domestic water-related conflict.*

“Water-Related Events, Natural Disaster, and Social Conflict in Africa”

— *Abstract: This study focuses on how water-related domestic events and natural disasters affect internal social stability in Africa. By using the Water-Related Intrastate Conflict and Cooperation event dataset and Social Conflict Analysis Database (SCAD), the empirical analyses show that water-related domestic events affect social stability and internal violence in Africa, while natural disasters do not significantly influence social instability.*

“Dams and Social Contentions in Africa” (with Eric Keels and Krista Wiegand)

— *Abstract: This study examines how dams affect social contentions in Africa. We argue that dams have significant influences on social contentions in Africa, but the relationship between dams and social contentions are different depending on the types of dams. In the empirical analysis using the data on dams and the Social Conflict Analysis Dataset, we find that water management dams decrease the likelihood of intrastate armed conflict, while water supply dams increase some forms of social contentions, including extra-state violent attack.*

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

Project on Dams and Social Unrest in Sub-Saharan Africa

Jan 2018 - present

— Eric Keels, Sojeong Lee, and Krista Wiegand

— Funded by Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) / Howard H. Baker Jr. Center for Public Policy

- Issue Correlates of War Project Maritime Claims** May 2014 - Dec 2014
 — Sara Mitchell, University of Iowa
- Evolution of International Political Economic Order and Korea's Response** Sept 2010 - Jul 2011
 — Hyeong-Ki Kwon, Seoul National University, South Korea
- Production Matters: Globalization of Production Value Chains and Its Impact on National Politico-economic Order** Jul 2009 - Jun 2010
 — Chang Jae Baik, Seoul National University, South Korea

TEACHING EXPERIENCES

University of Iowa

- Instructor
 - Water Wars: Conflict and Cooperation Fall 2015
- Teaching Assistant
 - Intro to Political Thought and Action Spring 2018
 - Introduction to American Politics Fall 2017
 - Introduction to International Relations Spring 2014, Spring 2015, Spring 2016
 - Introduction to American Foreign Policy Summer 2016
 - International Conflict Spring 2014
 - Politics of Terrorism Fall 2013
 - Latin American Politics Fall 2013

ICPSR Summer Program

- Teaching Assistant
 - Time Series Analysis I 2016, 2017, 2018

Chung-Ang University, South Korea

- Lecturer
 - International Organization and Cooperation Fall 2011

Seoul National University, South Korea

- Teaching Assistant
 - Modern and Postmodern International Relations Spring 2008
 - Governments and Politics of America Fall 2008
 - Studies in American Politics Fall 2008

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- Peace Science Society's Graduate Student Travel Grants, Peace Science Society (2017)
- Lynne Rienner Award For Best Paper Presented by a Graduate Student, International Studies Association (2017)
- ISA Midwest Annual Conference Travel Grant, International Studies Association (2014, 2015)
- Executive Council of Graduate and Professional Students Grant for ISA Midwest Annual Conference (2013)

University of Iowa

- Graduate College Post-Comprehensive Research Awards (Spring 2017)
- Graduate Assistantship, Department of Political Science (2013 - 2018)
- Summer Training Grant, Department of Political Science (2015)
- Conference Travel Grant, Department of Political Science (2014 - 2018)

Seoul National University

- Lecture and Research Support Scholarship (2008, 2010, 2011)
- Lecture and Research Scholarship (2008, 2010, 2011)
- SNU Development Fund Scholarship (2008)
- Superior Academic Performance Scholarship (2002 - 2006)

INVITED TALKS AND CONFERENCES

- “New Era Workshop 2019.” Bridging the Gap Project (February 24-26, 2019)
- “Maritime Conflicts: General Patterns.” *University of Iowa* (February 20, 2018)
- “Organizational Models and Cuban Missile Crisis.” *University of Iowa* (October 26, 2017); *University of Iowa, Des Moines Campus* (October 20, 2016)
- “Resource Dependence and Conflict in Shared River Basins.” *Journeys in World Politics, University of Iowa* (April 2, 2016)
- “International and Transboundary Water Conflicts.” *Augsburg River Semester, Augsburg College* (September 29, 2015)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- American Political Science Association Annual Meeting and Exhibition (2014, 2015, 2016)
- International Studies Association Annual Convention (2016, 2017, 2018)
- International Studies Association Midwest Annual Conference (2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018)
- Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2014, 2015, 2016, 2017)
- Peace Science Society Annual Meeting (2017, 2018)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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| American Political Science Association | 2014 - present |
| Bridging the Gap Project | 2019 - present |
| International Studies Association | 2013 - present |
| Journeys in World Politics | 2016 - present |
| Midwest Political Science Association | 2014 - present |
| National Women’s Caucus for Political Science (WCPS) | 2015 - present |
| Peace Science Society | 2014 - present |
| Society of Political Methodology | 2015 - present |
| Southern Political Science Association | 2018 - present |
| Women in Conflict Studies (WICS) | 2015 - present |

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Managing Editor, *International Studies Quarterly* Oct 2018 - present
Managing Editor, *International Studies Review* Aug 2016 - Dec 2016
Reviewer, *Foreign Policy Analysis; International Studies Review; Journal of Conflict Resolution; Water International*
Secretary-Treasurer, Graduate Association of Political Science, University of Iowa 2015 - 2017
Undergraduate Program Coordinator, Department of Political Science, College of Social Science, Seoul National University, South Korea Sept 2011 - May 2012

OTHER SKILLS

Statistical Packages Stata, R, ArcGIS
Applications Latex, Common Windows Database, Spreadsheet, Presentation software
Languages Korean, English, Japanese

REFERENCES

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