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## EDUCATION

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<b>The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University</b> Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in International Relations	<b>Medford, MA</b> 2001
<b>The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University</b> Master of Arts in Law and Diplomacy (MALD)	<b>Medford, MA</b> 1993
<b>Seoul National University</b> Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in International Relations	<b>Seoul, Korea</b> 1991

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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<b>Seoul National University</b> Dean, Graduate School of International Studies Director, Center for International Security Professor of International Security, Graduate School of International Studies Director, Institute of International Affairs Vice President, Office of International Affairs Associate Professor, Graduate School of International Studies Associate Dean, Office of International Affairs Assistant Professor, Graduate School of International Studies Full-Time Lecturer, Graduate School of International Studies	<b>Seoul, Korea</b> 2024 – Present 2019 – Present 2004 – Present 2023 – 2024 2015 – 2016 2010 – 2014 2010 – 2014 2006 – 2009 2004 – 2005
<b>The East-West Center</b> Visiting Fellow	<b>Washington, D.C.</b> 2010
<b>The Brookings Institution</b> CNAPS Fellow	<b>Washington, D.C.</b> 2009
<b>Daniel K. Inouye Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies</b> Assistant Research Professor	<b>Honolulu, HI</b> 2002 – 2004
<b>University of Massachusetts Boston</b> Lecturer	<b>Boston, MA</b> 2001 – 2002
<b>The Institute for Foreign Policy Analysis (IFPA)</b> Research Fellow	<b>Cambridge, MA</b> 2001 – 2002
<b>The 1st Engineer Brigade, Republic of Korea Army</b> Public Relations Officer (1st Lieutenant)	<b>Gyeonggi Province, Korea</b> 1994 – 1997

## ACTIVITIES

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<b>The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Korea</b> Policy Advisory Board Member	2010 – Present
<b>The Ministry of Unification, Republic of Korea</b> Policy Advisory Board Member	2008 – Present
<b>The Ministry of National Defense, Republic of Korea</b> Policy Advisory Board Member	2008 – Present
<b>The National Assembly, Republic of Korea</b> Policy Advisory Board Member, Foreign Affairs, Trade and Unification Committee	2008 – Present
<b>Korea Peace Institute (KPI)</b> Research Advisory Board Member	2007 – Present
<b>The Future Leaders Forum of Korea, China, and Japan</b> Member	2006 – Present
<b>Korea Research Institute for Strategy (KRIS)</b> Advisory Board Member	2005 – Present
<b>East Asia Institute (EAI)</b> National Security Panel Member	2004 – Present
<b>The Korean Political Science Association (KPSA)</b> National Security Panel Member	2004 – Present
<b>The Korean Association of International Studies (KAIS)</b> National Security Panel Member	2004 – Present

## BOOKS

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- The Geopolitics of Peace in Korean Peninsula* (in Korean) (Seoul: 21st Century Books), 2025.
- Korean Peninsula Security: Theories and Practices* (in Korean). Edited by Seong-Ho Sheen (Seoul: Institute of International Affairs, Seoul National University), 2022.
- North Korean Nuclear Crisis and Peace on the Korean Peninsula* (in Korean) Edited by Seong-Ho Sheen and Young Kwan Yoon (Seoul: Hannul), 2008.

## JOURNAL ARTICLES

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- “North Korea's Nuclear Strategy Stipulated in the Nuclear Forces Policy Act: Focusing on Nuclear Posture Optimization Theory,” (in Korean) Hanjun Lee and Seong-ho Sheen, *Review of International and Area Studies*, Vol.33, No.4 (December 2024)

- “Japan’s Taiwan Policy in New Era of Alliance Dilemma: Multidimensional Hedging,” Ying Ying and Seong-ho Sheen, *The Korean Journal of International Studies* Vol.21, No.3 (December 2023)
- “A Beginning of New Global Partnership? The ROK-US Relations under Biden and Moon,” *Journal of International and Area Studies*, Vol.29, No.1 pp.79-96. (June 2022)
- “US-China Mutual Vulnerability: A South Korean Perspective,” US-China Mutual Vulnerability Perspectives on the Debate, *ISSUES & INSIGHTS* (Pacific Forum), Vol.22, Sr.2 (May 2022)
- “Missile Defense Dilemma on the Korean Peninsula: Between North Korean Nuke and US-China Strategic Nuclear Competition,” (in Korean), *Review of International and Area Studies*, Vol.30, No.2 (June 2021)
- “U.S. Coercive Diplomacy toward Pyongyang: Obama vs. Trump,” *The Korean Journal of Defense Analysis*, Vol.32, No.4, (December 2020)
- “21st Century US-China Competition and Security Studies in Korean Academics,” (in Korean) *Review of International and Area Studies*, Vol.29, No.3 (December 2020)
- “Evaluation of security environment on the Korean Peninsula during transition period and Korea's defense posture and security strategy,” (in Korean) *Journal of Aerospace Power*, Vol.8 (June 2020)
- “21st Century US-China Space Competition: Hegemony in Space above Earth,” (in Korean) *Review of International and Area Studies*, Vol.29, No.2 (March 2020)
- “Military Innovation, Success and Failures: ‘War of Future’ and ‘Future of War’ on the Korean Peninsula,” (in Korean) *National Strategy*, Vol. 25, No. 3 (August 2019)
- “Global Debate on Lethal Autonomous Weapons and Northeast Asia,” (in Korean) *Review of International and Area Studies*, Vol.28, No.1 (March 2019)
- “Worsening Security Dilemma of US-China Strategic Nuclear Competition: Looking through Theory of Nuclear Deterrence and Security Dilemma by Robert Jervis,” (in Korean) *National Strategy*, Vol. 24, No. 2 (May 2018)
- “Security Outlook 2018: A South Korean View,” *CSCAP Regional Security Outlook*, (January 2018)
- “Between a Rock and a Rocket Man: South Korea’s Anxiety,” *Global Asia* (Winter 2017)
- “Trump and New Administration's Foreign Policy (in Korean),” *Diplomacy*, No. 120 (January 2017)
- “Obama Administration’s Cyber Security Policy and Challenges (in Korean),” *Review of International and Area Studies*, Vol.25, No.4 (December 2016)
- “Asymmetry of Deterrence: Nuclear Triade, Nuclear Strategy, and US-China Military Competition (in Korean),” *National Strategy*, Vol. 22, No. 4 (November 2016)
- “The US-China Relations and Korean Diplomacy,” *Korean Observations on Foreign Relations*, (November 2016)
- “US-China and Korea’s Diplomatic Strategy (in Korean),” *Diplomacy*, No. 115 (October 2015)
- “Low Birth and Super Aging of Korea and It’s Implication for National Defense (in Korean),” *Journal of National Defense Studies*, Vol. 58, No. 3 (September 2015)

- “Dilemma of South Korea's Trust Diplomacy and Unification Policy,” *International Journal of Korean Unification Studies*, Vol. 23, No. 2 (December 2014)
- “19th Century Europe’s Great Power Politics and US-China New Model of Major Country Relations (in Korean)” *The Korean Journal of International Relationship*, Vol. 54, No.3. (September 2014)
- “South Korea’s Unification Diplomacy with the US and China (in Korean)”, *Diplomacy*, No.107 (April 2014).
- “The Park Geun Hye Administration’s Four Power Diplomacy,” *Korean Observations on Foreign Relations*, Vol 15, No. 1 (December 2013)
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- “Park Geun-Hye Administration and Four Power Diplomacy (in Korean)” *Diplomacy*, No.105 (April 2013)
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- “US Aisa Rebalancing and East Asian Affairs (in Korean),” Ilmin International Relations Institute, *Policy Brief*, No.6 (December 2012)
- “From Transformation to Complexity: US Foreign Policy Reform of Bush and Obama Administration (in Korean)” *Journal of International Politics* Vol.17, No.2 (Fall 2012)
- “The Korea-US Relationship: Looking Ahead to the Next 100 years” *Korean Observations on Foreign Relations*, Vol.14, No.1 (August 2012)
- “US ‘All-in’ in Asia Policy (in Korean)” *Strategic Studies*, Vol.19, No.2 (July 2012)
- “The Kim Jong-Un Regime and North Korea’s Nuclear Program,” *Journal of Foreign Affairs and National Security*, Vol.8, No.1 (June 2012)
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- “21st Century Information Revolution and Network Terrorism: Limits of Scale-Free Network Terror? (in Korean)” *Korean Journal of International Relations*, Vol.46, No.3 (October 2006)
- “Northeast Asian Power Politics and New Peace Standard: Demographic Peace,” (in Korean) *Journal of International Peace*, Vol.3, No.1 (June 2006)
- “Preempting Proliferation of WMD: Proliferation Security Initiative (PSI) and its Challenges,” *Korean Journal of Defense Analysis*, Vol.16, No.2 (Fall 2004)
- “Grudging Partner: South Korea,” *Asian Affairs: An American Review*, Vol. 30, No. 2 (Summer 2003)
- “U.S. Strategy of Engagement during the Cold War and Its Implication for Sunshine Policy,” *Korean Journal of Defense Analysis*, Vol.14, No.1 (Spring 2002)

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- “ROK-US Relations under the Biden Administration (in Japanese)” In *Joe Biden’s Foreign Policy and His Vision*, edited by Sahashi Ryo and Suzuki Kazuto. (Tokyo: University of Tokyo Press), 2022.
- “U.S.-China Space Development in the 21st Century.” In *The Geopolitics of Digital Security*, edited by Kim Sangbae. (Paju: Hanul Academy). 2021.
- “Hegemonic Competition between the U.S. and China in the 21st Century and the Role of Korean Security Studies.” In *Korea’s Current Position and the Advancement of International and Area Studies*, edited by Park Cheolhee. (Seoul: Institute of International Studies, Seoul National University). 2021.
- “Aging Population and Korean Security: The Dilemma between Social (Welfare) Security and National Defense.” In *Low Birthrate and Aging Population: Diplomatic Security and Political Economy*, edited by Yoon Young-kwan. (Seoul: Sahoipyongron Academy). 2019
- “Digital Military Security Governance in Northeast Asia: The Use and Controversies over Artificial Intelligence and Autonomous Weapons.” In *Emerging Security Governance in Northeast Asia*, edited by Kim Sangbae and Shin Beomshik. (Seoul: Sahoipyongron Academy). 2019
- “The April 27 Inter-Korean Summit and the Fourth Industrial Revolution: Military Relations and Defense Reform 2.0.” In *The Fourth Industrial Revolution and Inter-Korean Relations: A New Horizon in the Era of Global Informatization*, edited by Kim Sangbae. (Seoul: Sahoipyongron Academy). 2018

- "U.S.-China Nuclear Strategic Competition." In *Architectural Competition for the Asia-Pacific Order between the U.S. and China*, edited by Ha Young-sun. (Seoul: East Asia Institute). 2017
- "U.S. Cybersecurity Strategy and Diplomacy." In *National Strategy for Cybersecurity*, edited by Kim Sangbae. (Seoul: Sahoipyongron Academy). 2017
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- "The Future of National Defense Security: Focusing on Super-Aged and Low Birthrate Population Issues." In *Korea's Mid- to Long-Term Future Strategy: New Directions in National Security*, by Kim Sangbae, Shin Beomshik, Shin Seongho, Lee Seungjoo, Lee Shinhwa, Cho Hwasoon, and Hwang Jihwan. (Goyang: Ingan Sarang Press). 2015
- "Assessment of Studies on Korea's Relations with the U.S. and China." In *Research on U.S.-China Relations*, edited by Chung Jae-ho. (Seoul: Seoul National University Press). 2014
- "21st Century International Relations and Empowering Korean Diplomacy (in Korean)" In *Korean Diplomacy 2020: The Way Forward*, edited by Youngkwan Yoon, 169-246. (Seoul: Nulpum Plus), 2013.
- "The US Complex Diplomacy Strategy in the 21st Century (in Korean)" In *Complex World Politics: Strategies, Principles, and a New Order*, edited by Youngsun Ha and Sangbae Kim, 34-64. (Seoul: Han-UL), 2012.
- "ROK-U.S. Relations: Beyond Pro- and Anti-Americanism / Self-Reliance (in Korean)" In *Speaking of Korea's Present and Future*, edited by Sangyoung Ryu, Cheolhee Park, Wontaek Kang and Moon-Gi Suh (Seoul: East Asia Institute), 2012.
- "Demographic Challenges to South Korea's Security: Aging and Decreasing Populations." In *Beyond North Korea: Future Challenges to South Korea's Security*, edited by Kyung Kwan Kim, Gi-Wook Shin, and David Straub, 219-246. (Stanford: APARC), 2011.
- "The Obama Administration's East Asia and Korean Peninsula Alliance Policy (in Korean)" in *New Alliances in the 21st Century: From the Cold War to Complexity*, edited by Youngsun Ha. (Seoul: East Asia Institute), 2010.
- "The U.S. Network Alliance Strategy and East Asia (in Korean)" in *Network World Politics: From Metaphor to Analysis*, edited by Youngsun Ha and Sangbae Kim (Seoul: Seoul National University Press), 2010.
- "The Obama Administration's Foreign and Security Policy and the ROK-U.S. Strategic Alliance (in Korean)" in *The Obama Administration and the ROK-U.S. Alliance*, edited by Youngkwan Yoon. (Seoul: Han-ul), 2009.
- "Out of America, into the Dragon's Arms: South Korea, a Northeast Asian Balancer?" In *The Rise of China and International Security: America and Asia Respond*, edited by Kevin J. Cooney and Yoichiro Sato. (New York: Routledge), 2009.

- “Strategic Thought toward Asia in the Roh Moo-hyun Era,” In *South Korean Strategic Thought toward Asia*, edited by Gilbert Rozman, In-Taek Hyun, and Shin-wha Lee. (New York: Palgrave Macmillan), 2008.
- “Military Index and Arms Competition (in Korean)” In *East Asian Community: Myth & Reality*, edited by Youngsun Ha. (Seoul: East Asia Institute), 2008.
- “Transformation of Modern Global Security Order and East Asia (in Korean)” In *Transformation of Global Politics*, edited by Youngsun Ha and Kon Namkung. (Seoul: Eulyu Publishing Co.), 2007.
- “Information Revolution and Global Terror Network (in Korean)” In *Network Knowledge State*, edited by Youngsun Ha and Sangbae Kim. (Seoul: Eulyu Publishing Co.), 2006.
- “North Korean Nuclear Crisis and Coercive Diplomacy (in Korean)” In *North Korean Nuclear Crisis and Peace on the Korean Peninsula*, edited by Youngsun Ha. (Seoul: East Asia Institute), 2006.
- “Japan-South Korea Relations: Slowly Lifting the Burden of History?” In *Japan in a Dynamic Asia: Coping with the New Security Challenges*, edited by Yoichiro Sato and Satu Limaye. (New York: Lexington Books), 2006.

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

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- “Promoting International Cooperation of the Coast Guard for the Implementation of the Indo-Pacific Strategy.” (in Korean) Center for International Security, Institute of International Affairs, Seoul National University Research Report (December 28, 2023).
- “Changes in the World Order and the Grand Strategies of Major Powers.” (in Korean) National Assembly Futures Institute Research Report 22-13 (December 31, 2022).
- “A Study on the Nuclear Strategies of Major Powers.” (in Korean) Center for International Security, Institute of International Affairs, Seoul National University Research Report (December 16, 2021).
- “A Study on U.S. Assessments of the Korean Peninsula’s Geostrategic Value and Its Security and Military Strategy at Key Moments since the Korean War.” (in Korean) Ministry of Defense Policy Research Report 01 (December 31, 2020).
- “Next-Generation Experts on the Korean Peninsula.” (in Korean) Ministry of Foreign Affairs Research Report (December 2020).
- “Decline in Birthrate and Population Size and Future Social Policy.” (in Korean) Korea Institute for Health and Social Affairs Research Report 2019-17-1 (December 2019).
- “Identifying Mid- to Long-Term Trends and Policy Challenges on the Korean Peninsula (2015–2030).” (in Korean) Korea Institute for National Unification Research Series 15-10 (December 2015).
- “Risks and Response Strategies in an Ultra-Low Birthrate and Super-Aged Society.” (in Korean) Korea Institute for Health and Social Affairs Research Report 2014-22-1 (December 31, 2014).
- “Population Aging and Security in Northeast Asia.” (in Korean) East Asia Institute National Security Panel Report: 2020 Korea Diplomacy Top 10 Agenda (December 3, 2012).

- "Population Aging and Security in Northeast Asia." (in Korean) East Asia Institute National Security Panel Report No. 56 (April 13, 2012).
- "The Nuclear Order in Northeast Asia and U.S.-China Relations." (in Korean) East Asia Institute, Global Governance and Nuclear Security Summit (February 14, 2012).
- "America's Return to Asia and Northeast Asian Dynamics." (in Korean) Ilmin International Relations Institute Policy Brief No. 6 (February 2012).
- "Prospects for a People's Revolution in North Korea: Is Pyongyang Going to Be the Next Tripoli?" (in Korean) East Asia Institute, Asia Security Initiative Issue Brief (October 17, 2011).
- "Coping with the North Korea Survival Game: The Cheonan Incident and Its Aftermath." (in Korean) East Asia Institute, Asia Security Initiative Issue Brief (July 1, 2010).
- "The Obama Administration's East Asia and Korea Alliance Policy." (in Korean) East Asia Institute National Security Panel Report No. 39 (December 29, 2009).
- "A Smart Alliance in the Age of Complexity." (in Korean) East Asia Institute, Asia Security Initiative Issue Brief (June 1, 2009).
- "The Proliferation Security Initiative (PSI) and the Korean Peninsula." (in Korean) East Asia Institute National Security Panel Report No. 13 (January 27, 2006).
- "Coercive Diplomacy." (in Korean) East Asia Institute National Security Panel Report No. 15 (July 12, 2006).
- "North Korea Regime Crisis and South Korea's North Korea Policy." (in Korean) East Asia Institute National Security Panel Report No. 6 (January 26, 2005).
- "Tilting toward the Dragon: South Korea's China Debate." Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies (APCSS), U.S. Security Policy and Asia (December 2003).
- "The Force of Gravity: China's Growing Influence on South Korea." APCSS, Asia's China Debate (November 2003).
- "Japan-South Korea Relations: Slowly Lifting the Burden of History?" APCSS Research Report Series (October 2003).
- "New President on the Block, Tough Challenges Ahead: South Korea's 2002 Presidential Election." Asia-Pacific Security Studies, Vol. 2, No. 3 (June 2003).
- "Grudging Partner: South Korea's Response to U.S. Security Policies." APCSS, U.S. Security Policy and Asia (March 2003).



## AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND GRANTS

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### **Seoul National University**

Best Academic & Teaching Award, Seoul National University	2022
Best Teaching Award, Graduate School of International Studies at Seoul National University	2015
Best Teaching Award, Graduate School of International Studies at Seoul National University	2005

### **The Brookings Institution**

Center for Northeast Asian Policy Studies (CNAPS) Fellow	2009
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### **The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation**

East Asia Institute (EAI)-Asia Security Initiative (ASI) Scholar	2009
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### **The Republic of Korea Army**

The 1st Corps Commander Award	1996
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## MEDIA INTERVIEWS

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*The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, The Economist, Financial Times, Le Monde, La Croix, The Christian Science Monitor, BBC Radio, Voice of America, Al Jazeera English, The Korean Broadcasting System, Arirang TV, YTN, Maeil Business TV, The Chosun Ilbo, The JoongAng Ilbo, The Dong-A Ilbo, The Kyunghyang Shinmun, The Korea Herald, The Korea Economic Daily*

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