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CURRENT POSITION

Professor of Law, William S. Richardson School of Law (2011-)
Professor of Law (Aug 2017-Present); Associate Professor of Law (Jan 2012-Jul 2017); Visiting Assistant Professor (Jan 2011-Jan 2012)
Attorney at Law, Choo & Baik LLC., Delaware, U.S.A. (Sep 2009-present)
Advisory attorney, One Law Partners LLC., Seoul, Korea (May 2010-present)

TEACHING SUBJECTS

Key subjects International Protection of Human Rights, Comparative Law, International Criminal Law, Human Rights in Asia, International Human Rights Advocacy, Law and Society in Korea.

Past courses International Law; International Human Rights Clinic; Legal Practice I; Criminal Procedure-- A Comparative Perspective; International Human Rights; Introduction to Asian Legal System; Korean Law; Transnational Law; SJD Seminar; and LLM Seminar.

KEY ACTIVITIES

The United Nations Human Rights Council Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances (WGEID), Chair (2020-2021), Vice-Chair (2018-2020), and Member (July 2015-April 2022).
Member, Advisory Council, The Crimes Against Humanity Initiative, Whitney R. Harris World Law Institute, Washington University in St. Louis (2013-present)
Principal Investigator, Strategic Research Institute of Korean Studies Program, funded by the Academy of Korean Studies ($820,000) (2020-present)
Rotating Chair, School of Pacific and Asian Studies (SPAS), CALL, UHM (2021-2022)
Treasurer and Directors, Asia Research Foundation (2013-present)

EDUCATION

Doctor of Juridical Science (J.S.D.), *magna cum laude*, Notre Dame Law School, U.S.A., 2009
Dissertation topic: *Emerging Regional Human Rights System in Asia -- with a Focus on East Asian States*.

Master of Laws (LL.M.), *cum laude,* Notre Dame Law School, U.S.A., 2000
Thesis topic: *A War Crime against an Ally's Civilians: The No Gun Ri Massacre*.

Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.), Seoul National University College of Law, Republic of Korea, 1990

Visiting Scholar
Visiting Scholar, Korea University School of Law 2024-2025
Visiting Researcher, Korean Law Institute, Seoul National University 2017-2018
Visiting Scholar, East Asian Legal Studies, Harvard University Law School, U.S.A., 2002-2003

SCHOLARSHIP & FELLOWSHIP AWARD

Notre Dame Law School JSD scholarship and fellowship (2001-2003)
Notre Dame Law School LLM scholarship and fellowship (1999-2001)
Harvard University fellowship (2002-2003)

Seoul National University Scholarship (1982-1984)

TEACHING

William S. Richardson School of Law, The University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
Professor of Law (Aug 2017-Present)
Associate Professor of Law (Jan 2012-Jul 2017)
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Faculty of Law, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada
Assistant Professor (Sept 2003-Dec 2010)
Director, Korean Legal Studies Program (Nov 2004-Dec 2010)
Member, Management Committee, Center for Korean Research (Sep 2003-Dec 2010)

LICENSE

Attorney and Counselor at Law, the State of New York, U.S.A. (08/2003-present)
Registration number: 4157715 (in good standing since August 2003)

LAW FIRM AFFILIATION

One Law Partners LLC., Seoul, Korea, Advisory attorney (May 2010-present)
Choo & Baik LLC., Delaware, U.S.A., Member (Sep 2009-present)
J&P LLC., Seoul, Korea, International lawyer (Feb 2004-May 2010)

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PUBLICATIONS

Books

SEEKING THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMUNITY IN ASIA (Asia Ingwon Gongdongchereul Chajaseo: Jiyok Ingwon Chejeeui Baljeongua Jeonmang 아시아인권공동체를 찾아서: 지역인권체제의 발전과 전망) (Changbi Publishers Inc. 2017) [revised edition of EMERGING REGIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS SYSTEMS IN ASIA in Korean language]

- Received 2017 Book of Peace Award by the IPUS, Seoul National University,
- Selected as 2018 Excellent Academic Book by the National Academy of Sciences, Republic of Korea.

ESTABLISHING NORTHEAST ASIAN NETWORK TO ENHANCE THE HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTION IN CRIMINAL PROCESS (Hyeongsajeolchasang Inkwonbojang Jeungjineul Uihan Dongbukajiyeok Hyeopryeokchegye Guchukbangan 형사정책상 인권보장증진을 위한 동북아지역협력체계) (Korean Institute of Criminology, 2015) [with Han-Kyun Kim and Jee-Young Yun].

EMERGING REGIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS SYSTEMS IN ASIA (Cambridge University Press, 2012).

THE DREAM OF KOREAN SOCIALIST MOVEMENT (NAMHAN SAHOIJUEUIJAEUI KKUM 남한사회주의자의 꿈), (Friend-of-Labor Publishing Co., 1992).

Journal Articles

12.3 Emergency Martial Law, Insurrection, Impeachment, and the Crisis of Judicial Justice System in Korea (12·3 비상계엄, 내란죄, 탄핵, 그리고 사법정의의 위기에 관하여), 293 VOICE OF THE PEOPLE 28 (2025) (with Jae-young Lee and Soo Jin Jeon)

Book Review: Human Rights and Transnational Democracy in South Korea. By Ingu Hwang (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2022. 360p. $55.00 cloth.), 23(3) PERSPECTIVES ON POLITICS 1(2024)

Korean Public Legal Awareness Survey and Possibility of Globalization of Research Methodology (Hanguk Gukminbeobeuisik Siltaejosa Mit Josabangbeoproneui Segyehwa Ganeungseong 한국 국민법의식 실태조사 및 조사방법론의 세계화가능성), 23-23-2 NATIONAL LEGAL CONSCIOUSNESS ISSUE PAPER 1 (2023)

Recommendations for the Ratification of the UN Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (UN Gangjesiljong Bangji Hyeobyak Bijuneul uihan Jeeon 유엔강제실종방지협약 비준을 위한 제언), 189 JUSTICE 541 (2022).

The Fifty Years of CKS and the Future for Korean Studies, 10 KAUPA LETTERS No.2 89 (2022)

The Many Challenges in Fighting against Enforced Disappearances in Asia, 6 MELBOURNE ASIA REVIEW (2021).

Legal Framework for Inter-Korean Exchanges and Cooperation (Nambuk Ganeui Gyoryu Hyeopryeokeui Beobjeok Gibane Gwanhayeo 남북간의 교류협력의 법적 기반에 관하여), 18 INTERNATIONAL KOREAN STUDIES (GUKJEKOREAHAK) 49 (2020).

Non-judicial Punishments of Political Offenses in North Korea - With a Focus on Kwanriso, 64 AMERICAN JOURNAL OF COMPARATIVE LAW 891 (2017).

Book Review: The Massacres at Mt. Halla: Sixty Years of Truth Seeking in South Korea, 75 JOURNAL OF ASIAN STUDIES 853 (2016).

Case Commentary: Undocumented Workers May Establish Trade Unions in South Korea, 2 INTERNATIONAL LABOR RIGHTS CASE LAW 162 (2016).

False Statements of Fact under the Public Official Election Act and the Principles of Reckless Disregard of Material Facts (Gongjikseongeobeopsang Heouisasil Gongpyowa Mipiljeok Goeuieui Beopri 공직선거법상 허위사실공표와 미필적 고의의 법리), 49 KOREAN JOURNAL OF LAW AND SOCIETY (BEOPGUA SAHOI) 271 (2015).

Stabilizing Democracy and Human Rights Systems in South Korea, 35 UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I LAW REVIEW *877* (2013).

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Social Healing Through Justice: Jeju 4.3 Case, 2 WORLD ENVIRONMENT AND ISLAND STUDIES 59 (2012).

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The Historical Development of Early Korean Immigration to Hawaii and its Legal Structure, 11 JOURNAL OF KOREAN LAW 77 (2011) [with Duk Hee Lee Murabayashi].

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Cooperative Approach for Implementation of International Norms (Gukje gyubeom jibhaengehseo hyupryukjeok guangyeeui jungyoseong 국제규범집행에서의 협력적 관계의 중요성), 55 KOREAN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW (GUKJEBEOPHAKHOE NONCHONG), vol 4. 13 (2010).

A Discussion for the Amendment of the Korean Civil Code: Statutory Limitation Provisions and Related Issues (Kwonri haengsa giganeh guanhan jaengjeomgua minbeop gaejeong bangan 권리행사기간에 관한 쟁점과 민법개정방안), 50 KOREAN JOURNAL OF CIVIL LAW (MINSABEOPHAK) 1 (2010) [with Jewan Kim and Kyung-Il Paek].

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Book Chapters

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*Korean Criminal Justice in the Context of Globalization (*Segyehwa Sogeseoeui Hanguk Hyungsasabeopjeok Jeongeui 세계화 속에서의 한국 형사사법적 정의), in CRIMINAL LAW, CRIMINAL POLICY, AND INSTITUTIONAL REFORM WITH DIGNITY (Inganjoneomeui hyeongsabeop, Hyungsajeongchaek mit JedogaeHyeok 인간존엄의 형사법, 형사정책 및 제도개혁) (1465-74) (Bakyeongsa, 2025)

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Human Rights Advocacy in the Time of Nuclear Stalemate: The Interrelationship Between Pressuring North Korea on Human Rights and Denuclearization, in THE NORTH KOREAN CONUNDRUM 143-56 (Robert King & Gi-Wook Shin eds., Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center, Stanford Univ., 2022).

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North Korean Human Rights and its Legal Systems (Bukhaninqwongua Beobjedo 북한인권과 법제도)*,* in NORTH KOREAN HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES BRIEF (Bukhaninkwon Issue Brief 북한인권이슈브리프) (2016).

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Legal Receptions and Resistance: Death Penalty and International Human Rights Norms in Korea, in THE GLOBAL IMPLICATIONS OF KOREAN LAW 57 (Korea Legislation Research Institute, 2014).

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Public Interest Litigation in Korea, in PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION IN ASIA (Po Jen Yap & Holning Lau eds., London, Routledge, 2010).

A STUDY ON REORGANIZATION OF FOOD-RELATED LAW STRUCTURE (Sikpumguanryunbop chegye gaepyuneul uihan gicho yeongu 식품관련법체계 개편을 위한 기초연구) (KREI, 2008) [with Gyeim Lee et al.]

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The Nature of South Korean Society and the Tasks of Labor Movement, in THE DEBATES ON NEW COLONIAL STATE MONOPOLY CAPITALISM (Namhan sahoieui seongkyukgwa nodongja gyegeupeui immu 남한사회의 성격과 노동자계급의 임무, in SINSIKMINJI GUKKA DOKJEOM

JABONJUEUI NONJAENG 신식민지국가독점자본주의논쟁) (Lee Jinkyung ed., Pyori Pub. Co., 1988).

Research Reports and Other publications

RESEARCH ON IMPROVEMENT OF MANAGEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE OF ZERO EMISSION VEHICLES (무공해자동차 환경성능 관리를 위한 제도개선 연구) (2025) (with Eubong Lee, et. al.)

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THE UNITED KOREAN NEWS (SHINHANGUKBO 신한국보) & KOREAN NATIONAL HERALD (KOOKMINBO 국민보) (1909-1968)) E-COLLECTION (University of Hawaii Center for Korean Studies, 2022)

EARTHQUAKE, TSUNAMI AND VOLCANIC HAZARD REDUCTION SYSTEMS IN THE UNITED STATES Migukeui Jijin Jijinhaeil Hwasaneh Daehan Daeeung Chegyeeh Guanhan Yeongu 미국의 지진지진해일 화산에 대한 대응 체계에 관한 연구 (2013) [submitted to the Meteorological Administration of ROK].

Op-ed columns, *Column Sesangilki* 세상읽기 (reading the world), THE HANKYOREH (May 20, 2013- April 21, 2014). *Published columns every three weeks at The Hankyoreh, one of the major daily newspapers in South Korea. In 2011-2012, three op-ed columns were published*, *and, during Aug. 12, 1999- Dec.27, 1999, 18 op-ed columns were published*.

The Status of Korean Law in the World Community [Segyeosogeui Hangukpeopeui Uisang 세계속의 한국법의 위상], 36 BEOBYEON 28 (KLRI, 2013).

A STUDY ON LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICES (Byunhosa Junggaejedo Yeongu 변호사 중개제도 연구) (Korea University Law Institute, 2012) with Jewan Kim and Tae-ih Kim [submitted to the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Korea].

LIMITATION PERIOD: A RESEARCH ON THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS AND THE PERIOD OF EXCLUSION (Kwonri haengsa gigan: somyulsihyowa jecheokgiganeh guanhan yeongu 권리행사기간: 소멸시효와 제척기간에 관한 연구) (2009) with Jewan Kim and Kyung-Il Paek submitted to the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Korea].

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PRESENTATIONS

UN and Human Rights, Blue Edge Foundation, Geochang, Korea (5/31/2025)

Human Rights in DPRK and Inter-Korea Relationship, Ohio State University Summer Program at Kyung Hee Univ., Seoul, Korea (5/19/2025)

UN and Human Rights in DPRK, Institute of Korean Studies, Ohio State Univ. (2/28/25)

Understanding Political Changes in South Korea, Korea University (12/26/24)

Transitional Justice and Enforced Disappearances, Asian Law and Society Conference, Sungkyunkwan University, (12/14/24)

Impeachment and Punishment for Yoon Suk Yeol's Rebellion, Korean National Assembly, Task Force on Judicial Justice and Prosecution & Human Rights Solidarity (12/10/24)

The UN and Human Rights in DPRK, The Institute for Peace and Unification Studies, Seoul National University (11/21/24)

The U.S. Election and East Asian International Relations, 4.27 Peace and Unification Foundation (10/16/24); Diplomacy Plaza (10/19/24)

South Korea's Ratification of the UN Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (CED) and the Implementation Law, KOCUN (10/15/24); Asian Law and Society Association Conference (12/13/24)
Human Rights Protection and Social Activities of Civil Society, World Human Rights Cities Forum (10/10/24)
Human Rights and Transitional Justice in Korea - With a focus on implementing UN Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance, Boston College (10/3/24)
Keynote Speech, 2024 International Symposium on North Korean Human Rights Program, National Human Rights Commission of ROK (7/3/24)
UN Human Rights Mechanism and Right to a Remedy of Victims of Enforced Disappearance, UN Seoul Office (2/21/24)
Challenges Following the Ratification of the UN Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (CED) in South Korea, University of British Columbia (1/26/24)
Forced Third Party Payment by South Korean Government for the Damages for the Forced Labor Victims' Lawsuits, Korea University (1/17/24)
Comfort Women and Enforced Disappearances during the Pacific War, Korea University (12/15/23)
High Court Decision on Comfort Women: Implication on International Human Rights Community, Korea Council (12/20/23)
South Korea's Ratification of CED and Legislation of an Implementation Law, Korean Bar Association (10/11/23)
Implementation of CED in South Korea and the Overseas Examples, Korean National Human Rights Commission (9/5/23)
Rights of Victims of Enforced Disappearance in International Law, UN Seoul Office (8/30/23)
Criminal Justice and Human Rights in Korea, Paul K. Ryu Foundation, CKS (8/25/23)
Transitional Justice and Human Rights in Korea, Seoul National University (8/10/23)
Human Rights and Sustainable Development, Hallym University (7/19/23)
What Needs to Be Done for Promoting Korean Law in the World, K-Law Forum, KLRI (6/13/23)
Inter-Korean Relations, PAAC, East-West Center (6/6/23)
People's Everyday Lives and Human Rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Dongguk Univ. (5/10/23)
South Korea's Ratification of the UN Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (CED), *Societas Koreana* Lecture Meeting, Academy of Korean Studies (5/9/23)
Hawaii Should Play a Key Role in Promoting Peace and Cooperation between the US and Korea in Northeast Asia, CKS and East-West Center (5/2/23)
The Korean National Association (KNA) and the Hawaii Regional Conference: Local Governments for the Stateless, Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference (3/23/23)
My Work at the United Nations Human Rights Council Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, Hawaiian Bar Association International Law Section (11/15/22)
Asian Civil Society's Cooperation for the Realization of Transitional Justice, May 18 Foundation (10/5/22)
UN, Human Rights, and International Relations, Academy of Korean Studies (7/7/22)
The Victims of Crimes against Humanity and the 1965 Settlement Agreement between Japan and the Republic of Korea, Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference (3/26/22).
Status of Korean Studies in North America, Yonsei Univ. Institute for the Study of Korean Modernity (12/21/21).
Recommendations for a Ratification of the UN Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance, Ministry of Justice of ROK & Korean Society of Law (12/16/21).
UN's Efforts to Eradicate Enforced Disappearances, Notre Dame Law School (11/6/21); Hansung University (11/12/21); ChungAng University (11/24/21).
Human Rights in the World: UN's Efforts to Eradicate Enforced Disappearances, Sungkyunkwan Univ. Law School, Webinar (10/18/21).

International Human Rights Law- Torture Convention, KOKUN (Korea Center for United Nations Human Rights Policy), Webinar (10/12/21).
Interrelationship between the Issues of Human Rights and Denuclearization in North Korea, Ministry of Unification of ROK (7/14/21).
Comparative Characteristics of South Korean Real Property Law, Korean Legislative and Research Institute (7/9/21)
Human rights and democratic regression in Asia, Asia Institute, Melbourne University, Webinar (6/3/21).
The Meaning of the Decision of South Korean Supreme Court on the Japanese Military Sexual Slavery, The Korean Council for Justice and Remembrance, Webinar (1/28/21).
Ratification of International Human Rights Treaty and Implementation Law (Convention on Enforce Disappearances), K-Law Forum 2020, KLRI (11/20/20).
Seventy Year of No Gun Ri Incidents, Its Legal Meaning and Lessons, No Gun Ri Global Peace Forum (11/12/20).
Human Rights Advocacy in Time of Nuclear Stalemates - Interrelationship between Pushing North Korea on Human Rights and on Denuclearization, The Walter H. Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center, Stanford University (6/18/20).
Forty years between hope and despair: The right to truth and the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, UN Side event hosted by Croatia and Switzerland (2/7/20).
Asian Civil Society and Human Rights- With focus on the Regional Human Rights Systems in Asia, Korea Peace Forum (11/10/19).
Crimes against Humanity and the 1965 Treaty on Basic Relations between Korea and Japan, Beyond San Francisco Treaty System Conference (11/9/19).
Legal Framework for Inter-Korean Exchanges and Cooperation, The 14th ISKS Conference (8/20/19).
Teaching Korean Law in the United States, SNU School of Law (7/29/19).
International Human Rights Law and Jeju 4.3 – Truth, Justice, Responsibility, and Social Healing, The UN Symposium on Human Rights and Jeju April 3rd, Jeju 4.3 Peace Foundation (6/20/19).
Korean Criminal Justice in a Globalizing World, Korean Institute of Criminology (5/31/19).
International Human Rights Law and Jeju 4.3, The 8th Jeju 4.3 Peace forum, Jeju 4.3 Peace Foundation (12/18/18).
Human Rights Norms, Institutions, and Enforcement in Reality -- With a Focus on Enforced Disappearances, The the World Issues Forum, Western Washington University (11/14/18).
Present and the Future of the Relations between South and North Koreas, and the United States, National Unification Advisory Council-Hawaii (10/26/18).
Contact at All Levels: The Legal Framework for Inter-Korean Exchanges, K-Law Forum, Columbia Law School (8/28/18).
International Human Rights Law and Enforced Disappearances: Focus on Asia, Korea and the UN Human Rights Council Working Group, Annual Dr. N.H. Paul Chung Memorial Lecture, Pacific Asian Management Institute, UH Shidler College of Business (8/2/18).
Penal Process, the Rule of Law, and Human Rights Systems in DPRK, CU Conference, UHM (4/5/18)
Regional Human Rights Mechanism and Asian Human Rights Convention, Seoul Institute (12/12/17), KSA(12/14/17), CU Conference, UHM (4/6/18), Judicial Policy Research Institute (5/7/18).
Book of Peace Award Presentation: Human Rights Systems in Asia, Institute of Peace and Unification Studies, Seoul National University (9/16/17) .
The Prospect for Asian Human Rights Commission and Court, Southeast Asian Studies Association of Korea, SNU (08/26/17).
Enforced Disappearances and the Implementation of International Human Rights Obligations, Korean Public Law Association (6/15/17).
The Vertical and Horizontal Dimensions of the Conflicts in Korea and the World, Doosan Art Center (3/27/17).

Enforced Disappearances and Transitional Justice, Ministry of Foreign Affairs WGEID 111th Session Seminar, Korea (2/5/17).
Enforced Disappearances and Human Rights, Human Rights and Asia 2017, Seoul Nat'l Univ., Korea (1/13/17)
Overview of the UN Special Procedures Mechanisms Functions, and How CSOs and HRDs Could Engage with Them, Asia Pro Bona Conference, Indonesia (8/29/16)
Human Rights Court and Commission in Asia, Korea Univ. (8/17/16)
Enforced Disappearances and Transitional Justice in Sri Lanka, NKDB (7/12/16)
The Abductees by North Korea after the Korean War Ended, National Assembly, Korea (6/29/16)
How to Promote Human Rights in North Korea, Center for Korean Studies, UH (4/14/16).
Fights against Trafficking in Persons in South Korea, Centre for the Study of Korea, Univ. of Toronto (3/18/16)
Emerging Regional Human Rights Systems in Asia, Human Rights and Asia 2016, Seoul Nat'l Univ., Korea (1/8/16)
North Korean Human Rights and its Legal Systems, Korean Human Rights Foundation (11/27/16)
What is to be Done for Corporate Social Responsibility and Legal Accountability in South Korea, ISKS Conference, Univ. of Vienna (8/20/15)
Trafficking in Persons and South Korea's Legal Responses, East Asian Law and Society Conference, Waseda Univ. (8/6/15)
Institution Building Strategy for Asian Human Rights Mechanism; Comments on the Resolution on Local government and Human Rights and the Progress Report of the UN Human Rights Council Advisory Committee, World Human Rights City Forum, Korea (5/15/15, 5/16/15)
Legal Structure to Fight against Human Trafficking in South Korea, Univ. of San Francisco (4/15/15, 4/16/15)
Introduction to International Human Rights Law, NDI (1/9/15)
Emerging Regional Human Rights Systems in Asia, Human Rights and Asia 2015, Seoul Nat'l Univ., Korea (1/8/15)
Thinking a Concrete Approach to North Korean Human Rights with Realistic Measures, North Korean Human Rights and Peace in the Korean Peninsula Conference, Chuncheon, Korea (10/31/14)
Building an East Asian Community and Human Right Cooperation, Keynote at EASP Conference, UH (7/24/14)
East Asian Community and Human Right, Youngnam Univ. Law School, Korea (6/16/14)
The Development of Criminal Procedure in North Korea, Seoul Nat'l Univ., Korea (4/25/14)
Building an East Asian Community and Human Rights Cooperation, UH Law School (3/20/14)
Korean Immigration to the United States and the Immigration Acts, Korean Immigration and Multiculturalism Conference, UH (2/13/14)
Filtered Universalism and the Consolidating Democracy in South Korea, The 5th Asian Constitutional Law Forum, Tsinghua University School of Law, China (10/19/13)
Rights of Indigenous Peoples and Transitional Justice, UH (9/5/13)
Building East Asia Community- South Korea's Role in Human Rights Cooperation in East Asia, The 11th ISKS International Conference of Korean Studies, Guangdong University of Foreign Studies, China (8/22/13).
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Consolidation of Democracy at the Crossroads: Domestic and International Challenges against Park Geun-hye Government, Center for Asia Pacific Education, Hawai'i (5/11/13).
The Origins of North Korean Challenges, Aloha Chapter of Inns of Court (5/2/13).
Reception and Resistance: Korean Death Penalty Norms, UH-KLRI Conference, UH (4/26/13).
The Politics of North Korea, Center for Korean Studies, UH (4/19/13).
William C. Jones Annual Lecture: Public Interest Litigation in South Korea, Washington University in St. Louis (3/7/13).

Consolidating Democracy and Human Rights Systems in South Korea, Memories of Aloha for Jon Symposium, UH (2/1/13).
Teaching Korean Law in North America, Korean Legislation Research Institute (12/14/12).
A Comparison of the Common Law System and the Civil Law System, Sungkyunkwan University Law School, UH (12/12/12).
Korea's Role in Promoting Regional Human Rights Systems in Asia, The SSK Human Rights Forum, Sungkyunkwan University (12/5/12).
East Asian Community and Human Rights Cooperation, Korea University (11/30/12).
Korean Presidential Election and the Catchphrase of Economic Democracy, Center for Asia Pacific Education, Hawai‘i (11/15/12).
Social Healing through Justice : Jeju case, UH School of Law and World Association for Island Studies and World Environment and Island Institute, Jeju National University (11/7/12).
Corporate Social Responsibility and Economic Democracy in South Korea, Univ. of Sydney (8/4/12).
The World of Legal Occupation, Youngwon Elementary School, Korea (7/10/12).
A Regional Human Rights Court for East Asian Community, Law and Society Association Annual Conference, Hawai‘i (6/8/12).
Human Rights Violations in North Korea, [with some variations], UH Law School (11/21/11); Univ. of Washington (2/15/12); UBC(2/17/12); CKS, Univ. of Hawai‘i (3/15/12); Community Lecture, UH (4/29/12); The One Law Corporation, Korea (7/19/12).
The Historical Development of Early Korean Immigration to Hawaii and its Legal Structure, East Asian Law and Society Conference, Yonsei University, Korea (9/30/11).
East Asian Community and International Human Rights Cooperation, Korea Univ. Law School, Korea (9/29/11).
Korea, Asia and the World connected through International Human Rights Law, Korean Bar Association Continuing Education Lecture, Korea (6/22/11).
Asian Human Rights System and the Universality, The May 18 Institute, Chonnam Univ., Korea (6/8/11).
Emerging Regional Human Rights Systems in Asia, Sakamaki Extraordinary Lectures 2011, Univ. of Hawai‘i (6/1/11).
Getting to the Truth: The Procedural Fairness in Transitional Justice in South Korea, [with some variations], Univ. of Hawai‘i Law School, U.S.A. (4/15/11); E. A. Law and Society Conference, Korea (10/1/11); University of Buffalo, U.S.A. (10/24/11).
The Significance of Cooperative approach in the enforcement of international norms, Korean International Law Association Conference, Korea (10/22/10).
Cultural Values Reflected in Korean Human Rights Today, East Rock Institute, U.S.A. (6/29/10).
More than a Gulag: Notions of Human Rights in North Korea, East Rock Institute, U.S.A. (6/29/10).
Filtered Universalism: The development of human rights norms and constitutionalism in Asia, Inaugural East Asian Law and Society Conference, Univ. of Hong Kong, Hong Kong (2/5/10).
Changing World and the Roles of Korean Lawyers in International Organizations, Korea Univ. Law School, Korea (12/10/09).
Transplantation and Domestication in Judicial Reform, UBC-KU Law International Workshop, UBC, Canada (10/21/09).
Public Interest Litigation in Korea, Faculty of Law, Univ. of Hong Kong, Hong Kong (8/14/09); PALSO, UH (3/15/11).
International Death Penalty Norms in Asian Context, Seoul Nat’l Univ. Law School, Korea (05/15/09).
Legal Education and Graduate Degree Programs, College of Law, Korea Univ., Korea (5/06/08).
A Dreadful Regression to an Authoritarian National Security Regime? - Counter-terrorism legislation in South Korea, Univ. of Iowa, U.S.A. (4/20/08).
Criminal Process in the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, UBC, Canada (3/13/08).
A Regional Human Rights Court or Commission for East Asia? Univ. of Victoria, Canada (7/14/07).

Legal Education in Canada, College of Law, Korea Univ., Korea (6/22/07).
Recent Changes in Korea and the Korean Community in Canada, Keynote speech, the C3 Society Conference, Vancouver, Canada (3/17/07).
Changing Korea and Korean-Canadian Lawyers, Korean Law Student Association, Osgoode Hall Law School, Canada (2/10/07).
Transitional Justice in the Republic of Korea, Univ. of Washington School of Law, U.S.A. (12/8/06).
Where Does Korea Stand in the Development of Human Rights, Notre Dame Law School, U.S.A. (11/4/05).
Introduction to Korean Legal Studies, Faculty of Law, UBC, Canada (9/30/05).
Human Rights System in Korea: Principles and Realities, Santa Clara Law School, U.S.A. (4/22/05).
How to Approach Human Rights Problems in North Korea, Korea Institute, etc, Harvard Univ., U.S.A. (2/10/05).
Human Rights Litigations in the United States-Focusing on the Dismissal of Comfort Women case, College of Law, Korea Univ., Korea (6/2/04).
Justice Incomplete: The Remedy for the Incident of Jeju April Third, Asia-Pacific Research Center, Stanford Univ., U.S.A. (5/27/04).
Participatory Democracy being achieved in Korea, Court of Appeal, B.C., Canada (4/21/04).
National Security and Constitutionalism, School of Law, Northeastern Univ., U.S.A. (7/7/03).
The Incident of Jeju April Third and the Transitional Justice in Korea, Jeju April Third Uprising and East Asian Peace Conference, Harvard Univ., U.S.A. (4/25/03).
Why Is There No Regional Human Rights Institution in Asia?, Faculty of Law, UBC, Canada (4/7/03).
The National Security Law in the Korean Legal System, Centre for Korean Research, UBC, Canada (4/4/03).
The Origin of North Korean Nuclear Crisis, U.S.-Japan Program, Harvard Univ., U.S.A. (3/18/03).
Towards a Regional Human Rights System in Asia, NYCAS 2002, Skidmore College, U.S.A. (10/25/02).
Human Rights Approach and Interest-based Movement, Graduate Forum, Harvard Law School, U.S.A. (10/2/02).
Rethinking the Political and Social Changes in Korean Peninsula, East Asian Legal Studies & Human Rights Program, Harvard Law School, U.S.A. (10/5/00).
Dialogue on Korean Human rights, Yenching Institute, Harvard Univ., U.S.A. (4/19/00).
What is Human Rights? Chicago Public High School, U.S.A. (11/17/99).
Social Movement and Leadership, Graduate School of Public Admin., Seoul Nat'l Univ., Korea (5/27/99).
Social Movement and Politics, Hankuk Univ. of Foreign Studies, Korea (4/99).
New Millennium and the Role of Intellectuals, Catholic Univ., Korea (10/21/98).
My Life and My Road, College of Law, Seoul Nat' l Univ., Korea (9/98).

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JOURNAL EDITORS, ETC.

Member of Editorial Advisory Committee, Journal of Human Rights Studies (2023-present)
Member of Editorial Board, Korea Europe Review (2021-present)
Member of Editorial Board, The International Journal of Criminal Justice (2019-present)
Member of Editorial Board, Anam Law Review, Korea University (2019-present)
Member of Editorial Board, Yonsei Law Journal (2016-present)
Member of Editorial Board, Korea International Law Review (2013-2025)
Member of Editorial Board, Journal of East Asia and International Law (2007-2020)
Member of Board of Reviewers, The Indonesian Journal of International & Comparative Law (2014-2018)

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PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES, AND OTHER WORKS

Principal Investigator, Strategic Research Institute of Korean Studies Program, funded by the Academy of Korean Studies ($820,000) (2020-present)
Member, Advisory Council, The Crimes Against Humanity Initiative, Whitney R. Harris World Law Institute, Washington University in St. Louis (2013-present)
Member of Board of Directors, Asia Research Foundation (2013-present)
Member, Korean Society of International Law (2009-present)
Policy expert adviser, The Korea Center for United Nations Human Rights Policy (2005-present)
Adviser, *Nanummunhwa* (Culture of Sharing) (2001-present)
The United Nations Human Rights Council Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances (WGEID), Member (July 2015- April 2022), Vice-Chair (2018-2020), Chair-Rapporteur (2020-2021).
Rotating Chair, School of Pacific and Asian Studies (SPAS), CALL, UHM (2021-2022)
Co-chair, Core University Program, Center for Korean Studies, UH, sponsored by the Academy of Korean Studies Core University Grant (KRW960,000,000= $ 820,000) (2015-2020)
Director, S.J.D. (Doctor of Juridical Science) Program, William S. Richardson School of Law (2016-2022)
Adviser, The Korean Amnesty International (2010-2020)
Faculty Advisor, University of Hawai‘i Korean Student Association Club (2012-2014).
Member, Scholars at Risk Committee, University of Hawaii at Manoa (2016-2019)
Member, Lawyers Committee for the Democratic Society (2011-2017)
Chair, Academic Affairs Committee, Center for Korean Studies (CKS), UH (2013-2015).
Member, Dean's Advisory Council (2013-2014).
Chair, Pacific-Asia Legal Studies Committee, WSRSL, UH (2012-2014)
The Hankyoreh, (*a major newspaper in South Korea)* Seoul, Korea
Op-ed columnist (Aug 1999-Dec 1999; May 2013-April 2014).
The United Nations Sub-Commission on Human Rights the 56th Session, Switzerland
Legal advisor to the South Korean Governmental Delegation (May 2004-Aug 2004).
Visiting scholar, Harvard University Law School, East Asian Legal Studies Program, U.S.A. (Sep 2002-Aug 2003).
Jeju April Third Uprising and East Asian Peace Conference at Harvard University, U.S.A.
Conference organizer as a member of the Organizing Committee (1/03-4/03).
Human Rights Watch, New York, U.S.A. Research consultant (Apr 2001-Aug 2001); Research intern (Sep 2000-Mar 2001)
Prisoner of conscience, Wonju Correctional Institution, Korea (Apr 1992-Aug 1998).
I was imprisoned for six years and three months in South Korean solitary confinement cells charged with violations of the National Security Act as a head of an anti-state organization. Amnesty International campaigned for my release during my imprisonment, designating me as a prisoner of conscience. I was released by a presidential pardon issued by President Kim Daejung in 1998, and a full amnesty was granted in 1999. In 2009, the Presidential Commission on Democracy Movement awarded me a Certificate of Acknowledgement of my contribution to the establishment of democratic constitutional order and the restoration and promotion of the freedom and rights of the people.
NGOs for Democracy and Labor Movements, Korea, (Apr 1986-Aug 1998).
Social activist; w*orked for democracy and labor rights under the military regimes*.
The Monthly of Labor Liberation Literature, Seoul, Korea (Apr 1988-Jan 1991).
Political analyst; *regularly contributed articles on social issues in Korea.*
Nokdu Publishing Company, Seoul, Korea
Translator; *translated books in English into Korean language* (Dec 1985-Mar 1986).
Kimhae Correctional Institution, Korea (Nov 1984-Nov 1985).

Political Prisoner; *imprisoned for a year in a solitary confinement for democracy movements; given full amnesty in 1988.*

Student Association, Seoul National University, Korea (Mar 1984-Oct 1984).
President: *elected student leader engaged in democracy movements.*

FIDES, Seoul National University College of Law, Korea (Mar 1982-Dec 1984).
Editor of the student-run law journal; e*dited and published articles*.

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