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## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

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**Assistant Professor** Department of Asian American Studies. Affiliation with Cultural Studies.  
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## EDUCATION

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- Ph.D.** Education Policy Studies, College of Education, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
Graduate Concentration - Global Studies in Education  
Graduate minor in Asian American Studies
- M.A.** Sociology, Yonsei University, South Korea
- B.A.** Sociology, Yonsei University, South Korea

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- 2019 “Where are We from?”: A Critical Community Autoethnography of Place and Belonging by Ph.D. International Female Student-Scholar-Activists in the U.S. *International Journal of Critical Pedagogy*, 9(2). (Coauthored with Zilonka, R., Carvajal, N., Cai, X.)
- 2018 Divergent Paths toward Militarized Citizenship: The “Unending” Cold War, Transnational Space of Citizenship, and International Korean Male Students. *Korea Journal*, 58(3): 76-101. (Coauthored with Choi, H.J.)
- 2017 At the Crossroads of Change: Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, Undocumented Korean Americans’ Political Participation, and Upcoming Challenges. *Harvard Journal of Asian American Policy Review*, 27: 67-73.
- 2009 Invisible Children in South Korea: The Adaptive Efforts of Undocumented Mongolian Youth and Their Challenges. *Korean Journal of Social Issues*. 18(2): 9-44.

### Book Chapters

- 2020 Destabilizing the “Undocumented Korean Box”: Race, Education, and Undocumented Korean Immigrant Activism for Liberation. In Diane C. Fujino & Robyn Magalit Rodriguez (Ed.), *Contemporary Asian American Activism and Intergenerational Perspectives*. (Forthcoming 2020).
- 2017 Undocumented Korean Immigrant Youth Activists in the United States and the Politics of Resistance. In Moon Young Cho (Ed.), *Hell-Chosun In and Out: Anthropological Research on the Global Mobility of South Korean Youth*. Seoul, South Korea: Noolmin.

- 2015 Makeshift Multiculturalism: The Transformation of Elementary School Teacher Training. In John Lie (Ed.), *Multiethnic Korea?: Multiculturalism, Migration, and Peoplehood Diversity in Contemporary South Korea*. Berkeley, CA: University of California Press. (Coauthored with Abelmann, N. et al.)
- 2011 Undocumented Children of Foreign Migrant Workers in South Korea. In Minoru, I., Chen, G. & Shunya, Y. (Eds.), *Reading Asia through Cultural Studies*. Tokyo, Japan: SericaShobo.

### **Book**

- 2011 Undocumented Asian Migrant Youth in South Korea. Seoul, Korea: Samchang Press. (Coauthored with Kim, D. et al.)

### **Articles in Progress**

- 2020 Teaching Ethnic Studies Remotely in the Time of COVID-19: Rise of Xenocide, Asian American College Students, and Pedagogy for Liberation.
- 2020 The Magic of Militarized Citizenship: Mobility of Undocumented Korean Immigrant Youth, Family, and the State in the United States.
- 2020 From Global Elite to Global Fragility: The Emergence of the Precarious Situation Facing International Korean Student in U.S. Higher Education. (Coauthored with Sohn, A.)

## **PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT**

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### **2010-2011 Immigration Policy Reporter**

International Organization for Migration (IOM) Seoul Office

### **2008-2010 Research Associate**

Korean Women's Development Institute, The Ministry of Women and Family, South Korea

## **FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS**

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- 2020 - 2021 Faculty Fellowship, Public Scholarship Faculty Fellows Program, UC Davis
- 2020 - 2021 Migration and Aesthetics Research Cluster (member), Humanities Institute, UC Davis
- 2020 - 2021 Grant, UC Davis Campus Global Theme, Global Affairs, UC Davis
- 2019 - 2020 Faculty Fellowship, Engaged Teaching and Learning Community, Center for Educational Effectiveness, UC Davis
- 2017 - 2018 Korean Studies Dissertation Workshop Fellow, Social Science Research Council
- 2016 - 2017 Research Fellowship, Korean American Scholarship Foundation
- 2016 - 2017 Dissertation Research Grant, College of Education, University of Illinois
- 2015 - 2016 Graduate Research Grant, Asian American Studies, University of Illinois
- 2014 - 2015 HASTAC Scholar Fellowship, Humanities, Arts, Science, and Technology Alliance and Collaboratory
- 2006 - 2008 Brain Korea 21 Fellowship, Ministry of Education, South Korea

## **AWARDS & HONORS**

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- 2018 Teachers Ranked as Excellent, Center for Innovation in Teaching & Learning, University of Illinois
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- 2016 Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences Dissertation Research Award, University of Illinois

- 2015 Jeffrey S. Tanaka Research Award, Asian American Studies, University of Illinois
- 2013 President's Research in Diversity Travel Award, University of Illinois
- 2009 Best Paper Award for Social Research, Korea Social Research Center
- 2008 Award of Honorary Mention for Best Thesis Award, Yonsei University, South Korea
- 2008 Outstanding Graduate Student Thesis Award, Korea Institute for Future Strategies
- 2005 Best Essay Award for Female Undergraduate Leadership, Yonsei University

## **INVITED TALK**

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- 2019 "Education Betrayed?: Race, Resistance, and Undocumented Korean Immigrant Youth Activism." Presented in the Department of Asian American Studies, University of California, Davis. March 2019.
- 2019 "Bridging the Past to the Future: Undocumented Korean Activism and their Intergenerational, Multi-racial, and Intersectional Alliances." Presented at the Contemporary Asian American Activism and Intergenerational Perspectives: An Activist-Scholar Symposium, University of California, Santa Barbara. January 2019.
- 2018 "The Abject of Globalization: Education, Activism, and the Futurelessness of Undocumented Korean Youth." Presented in the Department of Educational Foundation, University of Hawaii, Minoa. May 2018.
- 2018 "(Un)Making of Insurgent Citizenship: Race, Legality, and Activism of Undocumented Korean American Youth." Presented in the Department of Ethnic Studies, Minnesota State University, Mankato. April 2018.

## **GUEST LECTURE**

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- 2019 "Undocumented Youth Immigration in the Era of Uneven Globalization." Presented at Global Education for All, Global Affairs, University of California, Davis. November 2019.
- 2017 "Globalization and the Undocumented Mongolian Migrant Youth in South Korea." Presented at Multicultural Counseling & Educational Services Seminar, Hanyang Cyber University, Korea. December 2017.
- 2017 "Undocumented Korean Immigrant Youth Activism." Presented at Introduction to Asian American Studies. Department of Asian American Studies, University of Illinois. November 2017.
- 2017 "Immigration, Citizenship, and Korean America." Presented at Korean Language Program. Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures, University of Illinois. February 2017.
- 2016 "(Un)Making of the Ideal Citizen: Deservingness Frames and Undocumented Korean American Activism." Tanaka S. Jeffrey Awardee Presentation at the Department of Asian American Studies, University of Illinois. September 2016.
- 2015 "Undocumented Korean American Citizenship." Presented at Asian American Education, Department of Education Policy, Organization and Leadership, University of Illinois. November 2015.

## **COMMUNITY-BASED AND PUBLIC SERVICE PRESENTATIONS**

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- 2020 "Immigration, Race, and Asian America." Presented at the Woori Center Youth Program. July 2020.

- 2019 “Brief History of the Exclusive U.S. Immigration and its Exclusion of Non-White Groups.” Presented at the March for DACA & TPS, National Korean American Service & Education Consortium. October 2019.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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- 2020 “(Un)Making of Insurgent Citizenship: Discourse of the Ideal Asian American Youth-Citizen and the Challenge of the Undocumented Korean Youth Activism in Precarious Times.” Association for Asian American Studies Conference. Washington D.C. (Conference canceled.)
- 2018 “UndocuQueer Korean Youth Place and Time.” The American Educational Studies Association Conference. Colorado Springs, CO.
- 2018 “(Un)Making of Ideal Youth/Citizen: Deservingness Frames and the Struggle of Undocumented Korean Youth Activism.” Association for Asian American Studies Conference. San Francisco, CA.
- 2018 “The Magic of Militarized Citizenship: Mobility of Undocumented Korean Immigrant Youths, Family, and the State in the United States.” Korea Ethnography Now: Building on the Legacy of Nancy Abelmann. University of California, Irvine. CA.
- 2017 “Critical Reflections on Challenging Researcher Privilege in doing Research on Undocumented Korean American Youth.” American Educational Research Association Conference. San Antonio, TX.
- 2017 “Deserving Citizenship: Undocumented Koreans’ Participation in the US Military.” Association for Asian American Studies Conference. Portland, OR.
- 2017 “Citizenship Matters!: Movement, Time, and Precarity in Asia-Pacific,” American Anthropological Association Conference. Washington DC.
- 2017 “So Long Asleep: Waking the Ghosts of a War.” Panel on the World War II in East Asia and the Forced Migration of Workers from Korean to Japan. Center for East Asian and Pacific Studies, University of Illinois. November 2017.
- 2017 “Double Closet, Double Deportation: The Shrouded Voice of Undocuqueer Korean Americans.” National Women’s Studies Association. Baltimore, MD.
- 2017 “Post-1965 Activism in Asia-Pacific.” Association of Asian Studies Conference. Toronto, Canada.
- 2016 “(Un)Making of the Ideal Citizen: Deservingness Frames and Undocumented Korean American Activism.” American Anthropological Association Conference. Minneapolis, MN
- 2016 “Qualitative Research as Resistance.” Qualitative Inquiry Conference. Champaign, IL
- 2016 “Activism of Resignation: Challenges of Undocumented Korean American Youth Activists and their Compromise.” American Educational Research Association Conference. Washington DC.
- 2015 “On the Edge: Undocumented Korean American Youth and their Activism.” Association for Asian American Studies Conference. Evanston, IL.
- 2015 “From ‘Cultural Diversity’ to a ‘Culture of Diversity’: A Case Study of the Internationalization of Higher Education.” American Educational Research Association Conference. Chicago, IL.
- 2014 “Competing Images of a Korean International Student Organization: Ethnic Enclave vs. Entrepreneurial Hub.” Association for Asian American Studies Conference. San Francisco, CA.
- 2014 “Political Reframes and Global Challenges to Citizenship, Access and Equity in Education For All.” Comparative and International Education Society Conference. Toronto, Canada.
- 2013 “We have walls: Education, identity, and activism of undocumented Korean American youths.” American Educational Studies Association Conference. Baltimore, MD.

2013 “Invisible Second Generation of Undocumented Migrant Workers in South Korea.” University of Pennsylvania Workshop on Children and Parents of Immigrant Families in South Korea. Philadelphia, PA.

## **CONFERENCES AND PANELS ORGANIZED**

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- 2020 Panel Organizer and Chair, “The Sea Between Citizenship and Belonging: (Im)Migration, Authenticity, and Precarity in the Korean Diaspora.” Association for Asian American Studies Conference. (Conference Canceled.)
- 2018 Panel Co-Organizer, “Are Dreamers the New Model Minorities? Asian American Immigrant Rights Organizers Navigate Fierce Solidarity-Building.” Association for Asian American Studies Conference. San Francisco, CA.
- 2017 [**Invited Session**] Panel Co-Organizer and Chair, “Citizenship Matters!: Movement, Time, and Precarity in Asia-Pacific,” American Anthropological Association Conference. Washington DC.
- 2017 Panel Co-Organizer, “Formations of New Korean America through Citizenship and Space,” Association for Asian American Studies Conference. Portland, OR.
- 2016 Conference Planning Committee, 7th Annual College of Education Graduate Student Conference. University of Illinois
- 2015 Symposium Organizer, Symposium on the Intersections of Diversity and Education. University of Illinois

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### **UC Davis**

Department of Asian American Studies

“Policy & Community” (ASA 189D)

“Asian American Youth” (ASA 116)

“Asian American Cultural Studies” (ASA 4)

### **University of Illinois**

*Teaching Assistant*

Department of Asian American Studies:

“Introduction to Asian American Studies” (AAS 100)

Fall 2016, Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Spring 2018

College of Education

“Global Youth & Citizenship” (EPS 533), Fall 2015

“Global Issues in Learning and Pedagogy” (EPSY 590), Summer 2015

“Child and Youth Development in Global Context” (EPSY 590), Spring 2015

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

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### **Book Award Selection Committee:**

2019-2021 Critic’s Choice Book Award Selection Committee, American Educational Studies Association

**Journal Submission Reviewer:**

2018 *Journal of Pedagogy*

**Conference Submission Reviewer:**

- 2020 American Educational Researchers Association (AERA)  
SIG-Research on the Education of Asian and Pacific Americans
- 2018 American Educational Studies Association (AESA)
- 2017 American Educational Studies Association (AESA)
- 2017 Korean American Educational Researchers Association (KAERA)
- 2016 American Educational Studies Association (AESA)

**UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

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**UC Davis**

2020 Moderator, the 31st Annual Undergraduate Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities Conference

**University of Illinois (Graduate Student)**

- 2017-2018 Graduate Advisory Board Member, Graduate College
- 2017-2018 Graduate Representative, Advisory Committee, Department of Asian American Studies
- 2015-2017 Graduate Representative, Chancellor and Provost Committee on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Concerns
- 2014-2015 Board Member, Rainbow International, Student Organization for International LGBTQ Students
- 2014-2015 Graduate Organizer, Focal Point: Diversity and Internationalization of Higher Education
- 2013-2014 Graduate Organizer, Focal Point: Collateral Impacts of Incarceration
- 2012-2014 Graduate Member, Education Justice Project

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

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- 2019-present Board Member, National Korean American Service & Education Consortium
- 2013-2017 Volunteer Translator, National Korean American Service & Education Consortium and Korean Resource Center
- 2016 Summer Full-time Volunteer for Immigrant Rights Program, Korean Resource Center
- 2015 Summer Campaign Assistant for "DREAM Riders Across America 2015," Korean Resource Center
- 2013 Summer Campaign Assistant for "DREAM Riders Across America 2013," Korean Resource Center
- 2008-2009 Korean Language Instructor, Naseom Center for Foreign Migrant Workers, South Korea
- 2007-2008 Korean Language Instructor, The International Mongolia School in Seoul, South Korea

**MEMBERSHIP**

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- American Anthropological Association (AAA)
- Association for Asian American Studies (AAAS)
- Association of Asian Studies (AAS)
- American Educational Research Association (AERA)

American Educational Studies Association (AESA)  
Comparative and International Education Society (CIES)