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Education

Sookmyung Women's University

Seoul, South Korea

Master of Psychology in Psychology and Law/Psychology of Criminal Behavior

Mar. 2018 — Aug. 2020

• Thesis Title: Differences in Victim and Perpetrator Blaming by Crime Type, Victim-Perpetrator Relationship, and Victim's Alcohol Consumption (Advisor: Dr. Jisun Park)

Sookmyung Women's University

Seoul, South Korea

Bachelor of Arts in Social Psychology

Mar. 2013 — Feb. 2018

 Outstanding Alumni Award (for community services), Awarded by President of the General Alumni Association of the College of Social Sciences

Research and Publications

Journal Articles * In Korean

- Camp, N., & Jo, E. (2025). Streetscapes at Scale: Mapping Platform APIs as a Tool to Sample Space. Social Cognition, 43 (3), 257-275.
- Lee, K., Nam, B., Seo, K., **Jo, E.**, et al. (2025). Comparison of Suicide Completion Rate in Korean Students Pre- and Post-COVID-19 Pandemics. *Psychiatry Investigation*, 22 (2), 204-211.
- Jo, E., Seo, K., Nam, B., Shin, D., Kim, S., Jeong, Y., Kim, A., & Kim, Y. (2023). Deterioration of Mental Health in Children and Adolescents during the COVID-19 Pandemic. *Journal of Korean Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry*, 34 (1), 21-29.
- Jo, E., & Park, J. (2021). Difference in the Judgment of Homicide by Offender's Ethnicity and Gender. Korean Criminological Review, 32 (4), 63-90.*
- Jo, E., & Park, J. (2020). Differences of Victim Blaming in Rape and Assault: Mediating Effects of Ambivalent Sexism and Acceptance of Interpersonal Violence. Korean Journal of Social and Personality Psychology, 34 (1), 45-66.*

Conference

• Jo, E., & Park, J. (Oral Presentation). Differences in Victim and Perpetrator Blaming by Crime Type, Victim-Perpetrator Relationship, and Victim's Alcohol Consumption. The 14th Biennial Conference of the Asian Association of Social Psychology (virtual), July 2021.

Awards & Honors

- Fellowship for Humanities and Social Sciences Research, National Research Foundation of Korea Aug. 2023 Selected for the 'Next-Generation Researchers in Basic Research for the Humanities and Social Sciences' program (approx. \$15,000 per year, declined after relocating to the U.S., as it is limited to Korean residents).
- Fulbright Alternate Candidate, Fulbright Korea Selected as an alternate candidate for a 2023 Graduate Student Program Award.

Sep. 2022

• Paper Award, Korean Association of Psychology and Law Awarded based on Master's thesis and a conference presentation.

Nov. 2020

• Research Support Scholarship, Graduate School of Sookmyung Women's University Received based on published journal article (approx. \$240).

Feb. 2020

• Research Scholarship, Jang-hoon Scholarship Foundation Jul. 2019 Selected as a winner based on the Master's thesis research plan (approx. \$1000). Jang-hoon Scholarship Foundation is a sponsor of the Korean Psychological Association.

• Department of Social Psychology Scholarship, Sookmyung Women's University

Feb. 2014
Selected as the winner through deliberation by all faculty of the Department of Social Psychology (approx. \$2400).

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Research Experiences

Mind in Society Lab, University of Michigan

Ann Arbor, MI, U.S.

Jul. 2023 — Present

Lab Manager

- Coordinated multiple projects, managing and training a team of approximately 10 research assistants per semester.
- Supported the PI in programming online experiments using jsPsych, sampling street view images with Google Maps API, and refining experimental design.
- Organized project documentation and file structures across platforms, ensuring clear and consistent systems and documented processes for easier future access.

Dongguk University

Seoul, South Korea

Research Associate

Jul. 2022 — Dec. 2022

- Conducted a literature review on global trends in youth mental health before and after the COVID-19 pandemic, focusing on mental health policies. Based on this review, drafted a journal article manuscript summarizing trends in youth suicide and mental health crises, along with the risk and protective factors significantly impacting these issues.
- Reviewed draft reports for the Korean Ministry of Education, providing feedback to team members on the appropriateness of data analysis methods, enhancing the statistical rigor and accuracy of the content.

Korean Institute of Criminology and Justice

Seoul, South Korea

Research Associate

May 2021 — Mar. 2022

• Refined a coding framework for over 1,000 sexual crime rulings accumulated over six years, ensuring comprehensive variable inclusion for accurate data capture. Managed a team of 12 research assistants during the coding process and led data cleaning to ensure consistency and completeness.

Research Institute of Asian Women

Seoul, South Korea

Graduate Research Assistant

Mar. 2020 — Dec. 2020

- Conducted a literature review on sexual violence and misconduct within elite sports, organizing data from multiple countries to ensure cross-comparability.
- Organized and categorized research on gendered violence and multicultural societies into an Excel database, summarizing
 key details for easy reference. Provided student feedback on educational materials developed by researchers and reviewed
 survey results following the educational sessions.

Department of Social Psychology, Sookmyung Women's University

Seoul, South Korea

Graduate Research Assistant

Oct. 2020 — Nov. 2020

• Supported research project by transcribing 10 expert interviews on immigrant students and parents' experiences with education systems for students from 'multicultural' backgrounds.

Graduate Research Assistant

Sep. 2018 — Aug. 2019

 Supported research project by converting research plans into online surveys using Google Forms, including implementing participant randomization.

Undergraduate Research Project, Sookmyung Women's University

Research Team Member

Seoul, South Korea Sep. 2016 — Jan. 2017

- Funded by Sookmyung Women's University (approx. \$900) as one of the selected teams in the undergraduate research support competition, based on a research proposal (Title: A Study on the Perceptions and Fear of Criminal Voyeurism in Korea).
- Conducted a study on Korean university students' perceptions of criminal voyeurism in South Korea, taking full responsibility for the research process including designing the study, creating surveys, collecting and analyzing data, and drafting the final report.

Global Exploration Project (funded trip), Sookmyung Women's University

Member

May 2014 — Aug. 2015

- Funded by Sookmyung Women's University (approx. \$18,000) as one of the selected teams in the undergraduate research field trip competition, based on an activity proposal and a research plan (Title: Beyond the Berlin Wall to the 38th Parallel: Can We Become One Again?).
- Visited Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen and Philipps-Universität Marburg in Germany and discussed intergroup conflict and group dynamics, focusing on the historical division between East and West Germany and the efforts to resolve these conflicts after reunification.
- Presented the results of a team research on conflict and prejudice against North Korean defectors in South Korea, based on the conflict model.

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Experiences Outside of Academia

Korean Social and Personality Psychological Association

Seoul, South Korea

Trainee Forensic Psychologist (Senior)

Mar. 2018. — Present

• Reported an assessment of recidivism factors of juvenile delinquents based on PAI (Personality Assessment Inventory) examination and interview.

Korean Association of Psychology and Law

Seoul, South Korea

Coordinator, Committee of Education and Management of Crime Damage Assessment

Dec. 2020 — Feb. 2021

- Coordinated a crime damage assessment expert program for trainee candidates.
- Executed budget, rented facilities, and prepared educational materials.

Sookmyung Women's University

Seoul, South Korea

Graduate Assistant, Department of Social Psychology

Sep. 2018 — Aug. 2019

• Charged with administrative work for the graduate school of Social Psychology using the SAP ERP program and supported the dean of the department.

Graduate Assistant, Sookmyung Business School

Mar. 2018 — Aug. 2018

• Charged with administrative work and supported department events.

Seoul Metropolitan Government

Seoul, South Korea

Internship, Judicial Affairs Division

Mar. 2017 — Jul. 2017

Assisted legal officers and proofread administrative rules and Seoul Metropolitan Government autonomous laws.

Institutional Services

Alumni Association of the Department of Social Psychology, Sookmyung Women's University

Member, Planning and execution team,

- Enhanced and expanded the Alumni Association with approximately 10 members to foster a stronger alumni community.
- Facilitated active team participation by expressing my opinions and inviting quieter members to share theirs.

Student Council of the Department of Social Psychology, Sookmyung Women's University

President.

Jan. 2015 — Dec. 2015

Director, Planning and execution team,

Jan. 2014 — Dec. 2014

Member, Planning and execution team,

Mar. 2013 — Dec. 2013

- Led a team of 15 members in planning and executing key department events, including orientation for new students and academic workshops.
- Developed and implemented a feedback system to gather student opinions and improve student services by collaborating with faculty and administration.
- Organized the department's first alumni night, to connect current students with (future) alumni for career advice and networking opportunities.

Skills

- Technical Skills: R; Python; HTML; JavaScript; jsPsych; PsychoPy; SPSS
- Languages: Korean (native); English (working proficiency); Japanese (beginner)
- Certificates: Survey Analyst, Junior (Human Resources Development Service of Korea, Nov. 2017); Computer Specialist in Spreadsheet & Database, Level-2 (Korea Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Dec. 2017)