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EDUCATION

- 2013, Ph.D. Cornell University, Ithaca, NY • Department of History
Dissertation Title: “Crucible of the Post-Empire: Decolonization, Race, and Cold War Politics in U.S.-Japan-Korea Relations, 1945-1952”
Advisor: J. Victor Koschmann, Committee Members: Chen Jian, Derek Chang, Jae-Jung Suh, Katsuya Hirano
- 2003, M.A. University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan • Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Area Studies
- 2000, B.A. Rikkyo University, Tokyo, Japan • Department of International and Comparative Law
College of Law and Politics
- 1996-1998 Yonsei University, Seoul, Republic of Korea • Exchange program in International Division with full scholarship from Rikkyo University

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- 2013-
current Postdoctoral Research Fellow in Modern Japanese/East Asian History, Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies • University of Cambridge, United Kingdom

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2015-2016 Seminar, J.12: Modern Japanese Texts 3, University of Cambridge
- 2014-2015 Lecture and Seminar, J.6: Modern Japanese History, University of Cambridge
One-on-One Supervisions, Essay Supervisions, J.6: Modern Japanese History, University of Cambridge
- 2013-2014 One-on-One Supervisions, Essay Supervisions, J.6: Modern Japanese History, University of Cambridge
- 2009 Teaching Assistant, History 2571: China Encounters the World, Cornell University
Teaching Assistant, History 2820: Science in Western Civilization, Cornell University
- 2008 Teaching Assistant, History 1910: Introduction to Modern Asian History, Cornell University

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2013 Manuscript Reviewer, *positions: asia critique* (journal)

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- 2015 International Convention of Asia Scholars (ICAS) Best Dissertation Prize in the Humanities
 2014 Twentieth-Century Japan Research Award, The University of Maryland
 2013 Korea Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship, 2013-2014 (declined)
 2012 Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR) Global Scholars Grant
 2011 Northeast Asia Council of the Association for Asian Studies (AAS) Graduate Student Travel Grant
 Mario Einaudi Center International Travel Grant, Cornell University (also awarded in 2010 and 2008)
 2010 Korea Foundation Fellowship for Graduate Studies, 2010-2012 (awarded twice)
 Robert J. Smith Fellowship in Japanese Studies, Cornell University (declined)
 Asia Library Travel Grant, The University of Michigan
 2009 Prize for one of the best articles in *Bulletin of the Korean Scholarship Foundation* (Japan)
 Robert J. Smith Fellowship in Japanese Studies, Cornell University
 SSRC Korean Studies Dissertation Workshop, Selected Participant
 2008 Peace Studies Program Fellowship, Cornell University
 2007 Robert J. Smith Fellowship in Japanese Studies, Cornell University
 2004 Matsushita International Foundation Fellowship, 2004-2005 (Japan)
 2003 Toyota Foundation Fellowship, 2003-2004 (Japan)
 1998-2001 The Korean Scholarship Foundation Fellowship (Japan)

PUBLICATIONS

Articles and Book Chapters

- “Defining Colonial ‘War Crimes’: Korean Debates on Collaboration, War Reparations, and the International Military Tribunal for the Far East” (under review), Kerstin von Lingen, ed., *Rethinking Justice? Decolonization, Cold War, and War Crimes Trials in East Asia after 1945* (Heidelberg; New York: Springer, forthcoming).
- “Mindful of the Enslavement’: The Cairo Declaration, Korean Independence, and the Ambiguity of the Liberation of Koreans in Defeated Japan,” *The Significance and Effects of the Cairo Declaration*, edited by Wu Se-hwa, Lu Fang-shang and Lin Yung-lo (Taipei: Chengchi University Press, 2014), 173-194. [refereed]
- “Between Release and Compulsory Deportation: A Study on GHQ/SCAP’s Treatment of Korean ‘Illegal Entrants’ and the Control of Koreans in Japan during the Korean War,” (in Japanese) *Bulletin of the Korean Scholarship Foundation* vol. 27 (December 2009), 83-96. [refereed, prize awarded]
- “The Korean War and Koreans in Japan: Focusing on the Issue of Sending Volunteer Soldiers,” (in Japanese) *Contemporary Histories of Korean and Japan: Envisaging Regional Coexistence in East Asia*, edited by Dōjidaishi gakkai (Tokyo: Nihon Keizai Hyōronsha, 2005), 3-29.
- “The formation of a ‘Counterrevolutionary’ Order and Koreans in Japan,” (in Japanese) *Unending Colonialism: Gender, Ethnicity/Nation, Race, Class*, edited by Toshio Nakano (Tokyo: Seikyūsha, 2005), 95-114.
- “Wartime Mobilization and *Zainichi* Koreans,” *Quadrante* No.6 (The Institute for Foreign Affairs, The Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, 2004), 175-193. [refereed]
- “Koreans Living in the Former-Metropole and ‘Nation,’” (in Korean) *Tangdae pip’yōng* No.27 (Fall 2004), 199-207.
- “Problematizing Colonial Responsibility,” (in Japanese), *War and Sexuality* No.19 (March 2003), 32-39.
- “The Legacy of Colonial System and Genocide,” (in Japanese) *Controversies over ‘Understandings of History,’* edited by Tetsuya Takahashi (Tokyo: Sakuhinsha, 2002), 170-171.

Translation

- Kim Tongch'un, *War and Society: What did the Korean War Mean for Koreans?* [김동춘 『전쟁과 사회 : 우리에게 한국전쟁은 무엇이었나?』] (Seoul: Tolbegae, 2000) [joint translation, 朝鮮戦争の社会史 : 避難・占領・虐殺 (Heibonsha, 2008).
- Sö Chungsoök, *Tragic Modern Leaders: Are They Nationalists or Anti-Nationalists?* [서중석 『비극의 현대지도자 : 그들은 민족주의자인가 반민족주의자인가』] (Seoul: Sönggyun'gwan University Press, 2002) [joint translation, 現代朝鮮の悲劇の指導者たち : 分断・統一時代の思想と行動 (Tokyo: Akashi Shoten, 2007)]

INVITED TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2015
“Post-Imperial Anxiety: Race, Violence, and the Korean Minority at the Birth of a Pacifist Japan, 1945-1947” (invited speaker, in Japanese), Modern East Asia Workshop, Tsuda College, Japan, April 11, 2015.
- 2014
“Defining Colonial ‘War Crimes’: Korean Debates on Collaboration, War Reparations, and the International Military Tribunal for the Far East” (invited panelist), Heidelberg International Conference (“Decolonization, Cold War, and War Crimes Trials in East Asia after 1945”), Heidelberg University, Germany, October 26-29, 2014.
“The Origins of the ‘Korean Problem’ Discourse in Postwar Japan: A Study on the Crisis of Capitalism and the Reformulation of Racism” (invited speaker, in Japanese), Institute of Korean Studies, Waseda University, Japan, April 18, 2014.
- 2013
“Mindful of the Enslavement?: The Cairo Declaration, Korean Independence, and the Ambiguity of the Liberation of Koreans in Defeated Japan” (invited panelist), International Conference on the Seventieth Anniversary of the Cairo Conference, Academia Historica, Taiwan, December 1, 2013.
- 2012
“Joy and Fear of Liberation: *Zainichi* Koreans and Post-Empire Racial Anxiety in U.S.-Occupied Japan” (invited panelist, in Korean), Pusan National University International Conference on Trans-Humanities, South Korea, October 29-30, 2012.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2015
“Imagining the Enemy Within: The Racialization of National Boundaries and the ‘Korean Minority Question’ in Defeated Japan” (paper presenter and panel organizer), Annual Conference of the British Association for Japanese Studies (BAJS), London, UK, September 10-11, 2015.
“Overlapping Territories, Intertwined Histories?: Korea and Japan during the Korean War” (paper presenter), Annual Conference of the Association for Korean Studies in Europe (AKSE), Bochum, Germany, July 10-13, 2015.
- 2014
“Postcolonial Japan: Japanese-Korean Everyday Encounters and Violent Struggles over the Meaning of Defeat and Liberation under U.S./Allied Occupation” (paper presenter), Triangle Center for Japanese Studies Conference, North Carolina, USA, April 11-13, 2014.
“The Afterlife of ‘Multi-Ethnic Empire’: Race and Violence in the Japanese Reimagining of the Postwar Pacifist Nation” (paper presenter and panel organizer), Annual Conference of the Association for Asian Studies (AAS), Philadelphia, USA, March 27-30, 2014.

- “Tensions of the Decolonizing Metropole and Colony: Repatriation and Its Repercussions in Japan and Korea after World War II” (paper presenter), Heidelberg University and University of Cambridge Symposium (“Empire and Law: Investigating History and War Crimes in East Asia”), University of Cambridge, UK, February 7-9, 2014.
- 2013
 “Fighting the Korean War in U.S.-Occupied Japan: Korean-Japanese Communist Solidarity and U.S.-Japan-South Korea Counter-Revolution” (paper presenter), Cold War in Asia Conference, University of Chicago, USA, April 26-27, 2013.
- 2012
 “The Revolution from Above Betrays the Revolution from Below in U.S./Allied-Occupied Japan: The ‘Reverse Course’ and Korean-Japanese Anti-War Solidarity during the Korean War” (paper presenter), Annual Conference of the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR), Connecticut, USA, June 28-30, 2012.
 “Racializing the Postwar Crisis: Democratization and the Making of “the Korean Problem” in U.S./Allied-occupied Japan, 1946-1947” (paper presenter), University of Chicago East Asia Graduate Workshop, USA, May 17, 2012.
- 2011
 “The Making of ‘the Korean Problem’ and Crisis Management in U.S./Allied-Occupied Japan during 1946-1947” (paper presenter), Cornell Asian History Colloquium, USA, May 3, 2011.
 “Postcolonizing the ‘Postwar’: Democratization and the ‘Korean Problem’ in U.S./Allied-Occupied Japan” (paper presenter), Annual Conference of the Association for Asian Studies (AAS), Hawaii, USA, March 31-April 3, 2011.
- 2009
 “SCAP’s Anti-Communist Lens: How Korean Issues in Japan Became ‘Cold War Politics’ in East Asia” (paper presenter), New York Conference on Asian Studies (NYCAS), USA, October 9-10, 2009.
 “Transnationalizing the History of the US Occupation of Japan: A Methodological Analysis” (paper presenter), Cornell East Asia Colloquium, USA, April 13, 2009.
- 2008
 “Fighting the Korean War in Japan: Intertwined Histories of Postcolonial Korea and Japan” (paper presenter), The Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University conference (“Mutual Perception and Conceptual Framing of Modern Korean History”), USA, February 14, 2008.
- 2007
 “Structures of Domination during the Early Syngman Rhee Regime Period (1948-1950) and Koreans in Japan: A Case Study of Administered Mass Organizations” (paper presenter, in Korean), 3rd Annual Workshop of the Global Consortium of Korean Studies Centers, Vancouver, Canada, July 4-6, 2007.
 “A Besieged Minority: *Zainichi* Koreans and the Formation of a Counterrevolutionary Order in Postwar East Asia” (paper presenter), 5th University of Toronto East Asia Graduate Student Conference, Canada, March 10, 2007.
 “Transborder Conscription? The Syngman Rhee Regime and Koreans in Japan during the Korean War” (paper presenter), 16th Columbia University Graduate Student Conference on East Asia, USA, February 9, 2007.
- 2004
 “The Korean War and *Zainichi* Koreans: Focusing on the Issue of Sending Volunteer Soldiers” (paper presenter, in Japanese), 3rd conference of the Japanese Association for Contemporary Historical Studies, Tokyo, Japan, December 5, 2004.

LANGUAGES

Japanese (native), Korean (fluent), Chinese (proficient in reading)