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CURRENT POSITION

2026- Research Fellow, Korea Economic Research Institute (KERI-FKI)

EDUCATION

2020-2026 Michigan State University
Ph.D., Agricultural Economics and Economics
Advisors: Nicole Mason-Wardell (AFRE), Oren Ziv (Economics)
Fields: International Trade, Agricultural Economics

2016 Seoul National University
M.A., Agricultural Economics

2014 Seoul National University
B.S., Animal Science and Biotechnology

PUBLICATION

2024 Geopolitical Risks and Agricultural Trade Diversification in Southern Africa: Port-level Evidence from the Russia-Ukraine War. *Journal of the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association*, 2024, 3(4): 724-739. (with Sunghun Lim) [\[Link\]](#)

WORKING PAPER

Related Party Trade and Gravity: Revisiting the Distance Effects [\[Draft\]](#)

WORK IN PROGRESS

Trade Policy, Crop Choice, and Water Stress: Evidence from Mexican Agriculture (with Hyeseon Shin)

Transfer Pricing and Policy Shocks: Evidence from Mexico's Trade with China and the United States (with Oren Ziv)

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks

2026 Korea Development Institute; Korea Institute for International Economic Policy; Korea Economic Research Institute

Selected Conferences and Seminars

2025 Midwest Economics Association (Kansas City, MO); MSU AFRE Brown Bag Seminar; MSU Economics Macro/International Seminar

2024 Agricultural & Applied Economics Association Annual Meeting (New Orleans, LA); International Agricultural Trade Research Consortium Annual Meeting (Clearwater, FL)

2023 Agricultural & Applied Economics Association Annual Meeting (Denver, CO); International Agricultural Trade Research Consortium Annual Meeting (Clearwater, FL)

OUTREACH PUBLICATION

- 2024 Shin, Hyeseon, Raphael Gomes de Silva, Valentyn Litvinov, Saera Oh, and Anh Phuoc Thien, eds. The Future of (Ag-) Trade and Trade Governance in Times of Economic Sanctions and Declining Multilateralism. International Agricultural Trade Research Consortium Policy Brief. [\[Link\]](#)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Referee Service

Agribusiness, Agriculture & Food Security, Agricultural Economics

Abstract Reviewer

- 2023–2026 Agricultural & Applied Economics Association Annual Meeting
2023 European Association of Agricultural Economists Annual Meeting

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2025 Summer Research Assistant, National Bureau of Economic Research
Supervisors: Sharat Ganapati and Oren Ziv
2021–2024 Research Assistant, Michigan State University
Supervisors: Nicole Mason-Wardell, Zachariah Rutledge, Titus Awokuse
2016–2020 Researcher, Korea Rural Economic Institute
2014–2015 Research Assistant, Seoul National University
Supervisor: Jeong-bin Im

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2024–2025 Teaching Assistant, AFRE 100: Decision Making in the Agri-Food System
2025 Teaching Assistant, AFRE 232: Commodity Marketing I; AFRE 265: Ecological Economics

FELLOWSHIPS

- 2026 MSU Dissertation Completion Fellowship
2024, 2025 MSU AFRE Glenn and Sandy Johnson Fellowship
2024 MSU Graduate School Research Enhancement Fellowship
2023 IATRC Annual Meeting Travel Award
2023, 2024 MSU AFRE Graduate Student Professional Travel Fund
2022, 2024 MSU Graduate School Travel Fellowship

AWARD

- 2020 Minister's Commendation, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (Republic of Korea)

SKILLS

Programming Languages: **R** (proficient), **Python** (intermediate), **Stata** (intermediate), **Julia** (beginner)
Languages: Korean (native), English (fluent)

REFERENCES

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