

CURRICULUM VITAE

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Spring, 2019, **Resident Director**, Vassar College London Program in Media and Culture, Goldsmiths, University of London.
- 2009-present, Professor, Sociology, Vassar College
- 2014-2015, **Sang-kee Kim Visiting Professor of the Social Sciences** (award of inaugural endowed-chair professorship: full-time paid appointment with annual salary and comprehensive benefits), Sociology Department and the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.
- 2010-2013, **Chair** of Sociology Department, Vassar College
- 2006-2009, **Director** of Asian Studies Program, Vassar College.
- 2004-2009, Associate Professor, Sociology, Vassar College.
- 2004-2005, **Fulbright Senior Scholar**, Graduate School of International Studies, Yonsei University, Seoul, Korea.
- 1997-2004, Assistant Professor, Sociology, Vassar College.
- 1995-1997, Visiting Assistant Professor, Sociology, Vassar College.
- 1993-1995, Lecturer, Social Studies (undergraduate interdisciplinary honors program), Harvard University.

EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Brandeis University, Sociology, 1994.
- M.A., Northeastern University, Sociology, 1988.
- B.A., Yonsei University, Sociology, Seoul, Republic of Korea, 1985.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS & AWARDS

- 2021 (spring semester), matching research grant from the Dean of the Faculty Office (to complement the AKS grant below), Vassar College.
- 2018 (August), "the Laboratory Programme for Korean Studies" (AKS-2018-LAB-2250001) from the Ministry of Education of Republic of Korea & Korean Studies Promotion Services of the Academy of Korean Studies. (This is a 5-year research grant of approximately \$ 1.5 million awarded to a group of seven scholars, including myself, of Korean Studies in the world. From August of 2018 to July of 2023, the annual grant of roughly \$300,000 supports our collaborative and individual research and publication activities. Our collective project is entitled "Local Agency and National Responses to Globalization: The South Korean Case in

- Comparative, Transnational and Diasporic Perspective."
- 2022 – 1996 (almost every year), Faculty Research Grants, Vassar College.
- 2017 (May), Korean translation of *Over There: Living with the US Military Empire from WWII to the Present* (Seoul: Greenbee Press, 2016) was selected to the 2017 list of Excellent Scholarly Books (“woosoohaksooldoseo”) by the Korean Academy of Arts and Sciences.
- 2017 (January), ASIANetwork Faculty Enhancement Program Seminar. This award fully funded my participation in a 3-week study trip to Java and Bali, Indonesia in July of 2017. The theme of the seminar was “Contemporary Indonesia: Religious Diversity, Environmental Issues, and Political Transitions.
- 2018, 2009, 2007, 2000, & 1996, Ford Scholars Program Award, Vassar College.
- 2017, 2016, 2012 & 2007, Carolyn Grant '36 Endowment Award, Vassar College.
- 2014 (January - July), Visiting Scholar at the Institute of State Governance Studies, Yonsei University, Seoul, Korea.
- 2014 (spring semester), matching research grant from the Dean of the Faculty Office, Vassar College
- 2013 (December), 2014 Korea Foundation Field Research Fellowship (roughly \$32,000; project: “Globalization and Masculinities among the Younger-Generation men in South Korea”)
- 2012, 2003, & 1995, Northeast Asia Council (NEAC) Korea Research Travel Grant, the Association for Asian Studies.
- 2008, 2009 Senior Research Fellowship, the Academy of Korean Studies, Söngnam City, South Korea (project: “Cultural Construction of Civil Society in South Korea”), declined for a family reason.
- 2007, Korean translation of *Militarized Modernity and Gendered Citizenship in South Korea* (Duke University Press 2005) was selected to the list of the 65<sup>th</sup> Recommended Books for the Youth and Ten-Books-Worth-Reading by the Korean Publication Ethics Commission.
- 2005-2006, Visiting Fellow, Council on East Asian Studies, Yale Center for International and Area Studies, Yale University.
- 2005, Korea Foundation Advanced Research Grant (roughly \$30,000; project: “Making Citizens, Practicing Citizenship: Gender, Class and Civic Selfhood in South Korea”).
- 2004, 2004-2005 Fulbright Scholar Award, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, the United States Department of State (roughly \$55,000; project: “Making Citizens, Practicing Citizenship: A Study of Two Grassroots Associations in South Korea”).
- 2003 (fall semester) and 2002 (fall semester), Visiting Scholar, Korea Institute, Harvard University.
- 1997, SSRC International Migration Research Planning Grant (co-recipient with Yu Zhou), the Social Science Research Council.
- 1996, General Research Grant, the American Philosophical Society.
- 1994-1995, Distinction in Teaching Award, Harvard University.
- 1993-1994, Distinction in Teaching Award, Harvard University.

1992, Sachar International Fellowship, Brandeis University.  
1992, Women's Studies Dissertation Grant, Brandeis University.  
1989-1992, University Fellowship, Brandeis University.  
1988, Elected to Phi Kappa Phi, the National Interdisciplinary Honor Society.

## PUBLICATIONS

Professional website: <https://pages.vassar.edu/seungsookmoon/>

### Book

*Between Democracy and Neoliberalism: Civic Activism in South Korea*  
(Columbia University Press, forthcoming).

*Over There: Living with the U.S. Military Empire from World War II to the Present* (Duke University Press, 2010; 453pg in paperback): co-edited this volume, single-authored 3 chapters of 12 main chapters, and co-authored Introduction and Conclusion; reprinted in 2017.

*Obŏr deŏr: jeich'a segyedaejŏn put'ŏ hyŏnjeggaji migunjegugkwa hamgge saraon sam* (Seoul: Greenbee Press 2016; 630 pages in Korean), Korean translation of the co-edited volume listed above. I supervised the translation of the entire manuscript.

*Militarized Modernity and Gendered Citizenship in South Korea.*  
(Duke University Press; Politics, History, and Culture Series, 2005);  
reprinted in 2007.

*Kunsajuŏie kach'in kŏndae: kungminmandŏlgi, simindoegi, kŏrigo sŏngŏi chŏngch'i*, Korean translation of the aforementioned book (Seoul: Alternative Culture Publication, 2007).

### Refereed journal articles and book chapters:

“Women’s Sexual Labor and Militarized Masculinity in the Cold War Alliance between South Korea and the U.S.” *Oxford Handbook of East Asian Gender History*, edited by Barbara Molony, Janet M. Theiss, and Hyaewol Choi (forthcoming)

“Race, Transnational Militarism, and Neocoloniality: The Politics of the THAAD Deployment in South Korea,” *Security Dialogue* 52(6): 512-528. (The online version was published in July 2021.)

“Women’s Food Work, Food Citizenship, and Transnational Consumer Capitalism: A Case study of a Feminist Food Cooperative in South Korea,” *Food, Culture, & Society* 2022(August) (online version published in February 2021).

“Transnational Militarism and Ethnic Nationalism: South Korean Involvements in the Vietnam and Iraq Wars,” co-authored with Nora Kim. *Critical Military Studies* (on line version published in January 2021; paper version will be published in 2023.)

Special Issue: “Legacies of Militarism in the Korean Peninsula in the twenty-first century”: I selected three articles from open reviews of multiple submissions and worked with them closely to bring them together under the theme; wrote a substantial introduction, “On the Topic,” to the special issue, *Korea Journal* 58:3(Autumn 2018): 5-14.

“Disciplining High-School Students and Molding Their Subjectivity in South Korea: A Shift in Disciplinary Paradigm” (Chapter 7) in *Challenges of Modernization and Governance in South Korea: The Sinking of the Sewol and Its Causes*, edited by Jae-Jung Suh and Mikiyoung Kim (Palgrave Macmillan, 2017): 143-168.

“Han’gugeseo yusunhan haksaeung mandeulgi: hunyuk paerodaimui pyonhwareul chungsimneuro” (Making docile students in South Korea: focusing on the shift in disciplinary paradigm; Chapter 7) in *Ch’immolhan Sewolho, nanp’ahaneun taehanminguk: apch’ukjeok keundaehwawa pokhapjeok risk* (Sunken Ferry Sewol, the Republic of Korea in maelstrom: compressed modernization and complicated risk) (Seoul: Han’ul Press, 2017): 217-248. (This is a Korean translation of the edited volume above; the English and Korean versions were published simultaneously.)

“Militarized Modernity and Gendered Mass Mobilization” (chapter 2) in *Routledge Handbook of Korean Culture and Society*, edited by Youna Kim (New York and London: Routledge, 2017), pp. 48-62.

“JAS Mini-Forum: Culture around the Bases”: I edited three articles and wrote a substantial introduction to “Culture around the Bases: A Forum on the U.S. Military Presence in Northeast Asia,” *Journal of Asian Studies* 75:1(Feb. 2016): 31-39.

“Sexual Labor and the U.S. Military Empire: Comparative Analysis of Europe and East Asia” (chapter 5) in *Making the Empire Work: Labor and United States Imperialism*, edited by Daniel E. Bender and Jana K. Lipmann (New York University Press, 2015), pp. 137-160.

“Rest and Recreation (R & R)” in *The International Encyclopedia of Human Sexuality*, edited by Patricia Whelehan and Anne Bolin. Malden, Oxford: John Wiley and Sons, Ltd. (2015), pp. 1059-1114.

“31. Trajectories of Citizenship in South Korea” in *The Routledge Handbook of Global Citizenship Studies*, edited by Engin F. Isin and Peter Nyers. Abingdon and New York: Routledge (2014), pp. 355-365.

“Living Memory of Roh Moo Hyun: Group Cohesion, Cultural Politics and the Process of Symbolic Interaction,” *Journal of Memory Studies* 6:2(2013): 174-190.

“The Idea and Practices of Citizenship in South Korea” (chapter 2) in *Citizenship and Migration in the Era of Globalization: The Flow of Migrants and the Perception of Citizenship in Asia and Europe*, edited by Markus Pohlmann, Jonghoe Yang, and Jong-hee Lee. (Springer: 2013), pp. 9-38.

“Protesting the Expansion of U.S. Military Bases in Pyeongtaek: A Local Movement in South Korea,” *South Atlantic Quarterly* 111:4 (Fall 2012): 856-867.

“Local Meanings and Lived Experiences of Citizenship: Voices from a Women’s Organization in South Korea,” *Citizenship Studies* 16(February 2012): 49-67.

“Introduction: The Politics of Gender, Sexuality, Race, and Class in the U.S. Military Empire” (co-authored with Maria Hoehn) in “*Over There*”: *Living with the U.S. Military Empire* (Duke University Press, December 2010), pp. 1-36.

“Regulating Desire, Managing the Empire: the U.S. Military Prostitution in South Korea, 1945-1970” in “*Over There*” (Chapter 1), pp. 39-77.

“In the U.S. Army but not quite of It: Contesting the Imperial Power in a Discourse of KATUSAs (Korean Augmentation Troops to the United States Army)” in “*Over There*” (Chapter 7), pp. 231-257.

“Camptown Prostitution and Imperial SOFA (Status of Forces Agreement): Abuse and Violence against Transnational Camptown Women in South Korea” in “*Over There*” (Chapter 11), pp. 337-365.

“Conclusion: The Empire at the Crossroad?” (co-authored with Maria Hoehn) in “*Over There*”, pp. 397-408.

“The Interplay between the State, the Market, and Culture in Shaping Civil Society: A Case Study of the PSPD in Post-Military Rule Korea,” *Journal of Asian Studies* 69:2 (May 2010): 479-505.

“Buddhist Temple Food in South Korea: Interests and Agency in the Reinvention of Tradition in the Age of Globalization,” *Korea Journal* 48:4(Winter 2008): 147-180.

“Cultural Politics of Remembering Park Chung Hee,” *Harvard Asia Quarterly* Vol. XI (Spring/Summer 2008): 26-44. A somewhat modified version of this article with photos was reprinted in *The Asia-Pacific Journal* Vol. 19(May 9, 2009); accessed at <http://japanfocus.org/-Seungsook-Moon/3140>.

“Women and Civil Society in South Korea” in *Korean Society: Civil Society, Democracy, and the State*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. edited by Charles K. Armstrong (Routledge, 2007; reprinted in 2009): 121-148.

“The Rise of Women in Korea: Gains and Obstacles” in *Insight into Korea*, edited by the Korea Herald. Seoul: Herald Media, 2007): 204-213.

"Cambio social y situación de las mujeres en Corea del Sur: Familia, trabajo y política" (Social change and women's position in South Korea: family, work, and politics) in *Mujeres asiáticas: Cambio social y modernidad* (Asian women: Social Change and Modernity), edited by Amelia Sááiz López. Documento CIDOB-Asia, no. 12. Barcelona: Fundación CIDOB, 2006): 24-48.

“Trouble with Conscription, Entertaining Soldiers: Popular Culture and the Politics of Militarized Masculinity in South Korea” *Men and Masculinities* 8:1 (July 2005): 64-92.

“Immigration and Mothering: Two Generations of Middle-Class Korean Immigrant Women,” *Gender & Society* 17:6(December 2003): 840-860.

“Redrafting Democratization through Women’s Representation and Participation in the Republic of Korea” in *Korea’s Democratization*, edited by Samuel S. Kim (Cambridge University Press, 2003): 107-134.

“Imagining a Nation through Differences: Reading the Controversy concerning the Military Service Extra Points System in South Korea,” *The Review of Korean Studies* 5:2(December 2002): 73-109.

“Beyond Equality Versus Difference: Professional Women Soldiers in the South Korean Army,” *Social Politics: International Studies in Gender, State and Society* 9:2(Summer 2002): 212-247.

"Carving Out Space: Civil Society and the Women's Movement in South Korea," *The Journal of Asian Studies* 61:2(May, 2002): 473-500.

"The Production and Subversion of Hegemonic Masculinity: Reconfiguring Gender Hierarchy in Contemporary South Korea," in *Under construction: The Gendering of Modernity, Class, and Consumption in the Republic of Korea*, ed. Laurel Kendall (Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press, 2001), pp. 79-113.

"Overcome by Globalization: The Rise of a Women's Policy in South Korea," in *Korea's Globalization*, ed. Samuel S. Kim (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2000), pp. 126-46.

"Gender, Militarization, and Universal Male Conscription in South Korea," in *The Women and War Reader*, eds. Lois Lorentzen and Jennifer Turpin

(New York: New York University Press, 1998), pp. 90-100.

"Begetting the Nation: The Androcentric Discourse of National History and Tradition in South Korea," in *Dangerous Women: Gender and Korean Nationalism*, eds. Elaine Kim and Chungmoo Choi (New York: Routledge, 1997), pp. 33-66.

"Eurocentric Elements in the Idea of 'Surrender-and-Catch'," *Human Studies* 16(1993): 305-317.

### **Work in Progress:**

Book project:

"Transnational Militarism and Social Inequalities: US Global Missile Defense System in South Korea." Approaching militarism as a salient but often neglected force of globalization, this book examines how transnational militarism interacts with social class, gender, race, and nation/ethnicity and highlights evolving agency of local people whose village became the site of THAAD (Terminal High Altitude Area Defense) system.

Articles:

"Contentious Politics: The Paradox of Ethnic Nationalism and Transnational Militarism" Reflecting the post-Cold-War shift in its global strategy, the US military has relocated its major bases in South Korea for the past two decades. Specifically, under the 2002 Land Partnership Plan (LPP) Agreement and its 2004 revision, South Korea and the U.S. agreed to relocate and consolidate 91 US bases that were scattered around South Korea to two major hubs and 49 bases. Such relocations have exposed problems of serious environmental contamination. Focusing on the contentious politics of environmental cleanup in the Yongsan Garrison in Seoul, this article examines how ethnic nationalism that military security is supposed to bolster is paradoxically undermined by transnational militarism.

(invited to contribute to *Ethnic Nationalism and South Korea* edited by Timothy Lim at California State University, Los Angeles)

"Conscription, gender, class, and nation/ethnicity in South Korea: A transnational and comparative Perspective" This article examines how and to what extent the institution of universal male conscription in South Korea reproduces and undermines social hierarchy structured by class, gender, and ethnicity/nation in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

(invited to contribute to an edited volume on conscription from transnational and comparative perspectives. The editor is Amy J. Rotenberg, Associate Professor of History at Iowa State University.)

### **Book (and film) Reviews:**

Jaehyeon Jeong, *Korean Food Television and the Korean Nation* (2021) & Jaehyeon Jeong and Joong-hwan Oh, eds., *Communicating Food in Korea* (2021) in *Food, Culture, & Society* (review in progress).

Sonia Ryang, *Eating Korean in America: Gastronomic Ethnography of Authenticity* (2016) in *Journal of Korean Studies* 25:1(March, 2020): 272-276.  
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1215/07311613-7932363>

Barbara Molony, Janet Theiss, and Hyaeweol Choi, *Gender in Modern East Asia: China, Korea, Japan An Integrated History* (2016) in *Pacific Affairs* 91:2 (June, 2018): 333-335.

Deborah S. Davis and Sara L. Friedman, eds, *Wives, Husbands, and Lovers: Marriage and Sexuality in Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Urban China* (2014) in *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews*, a Publication of the American Sociological Association 45(March 2016): 292-294.

Vron Ware, *Military Migrants: Fighting for Your Country* (2012) in *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews* 43:5(September 2014): 751-752.

Hwasook Nam, *Building Ships, Building a Nation: Korea's Democratic Unionism under Park Chung Hee* (2009) in *The American Historical Review* (April 2011): 436-437.

C. Sarah Soh, *The Comfort Women: Sexual Violence and Postcolonial Memory in Korea and Japan* (2008) in *Pacific Affairs* 84(March 2011): 172-173.

Kelly H. Chong, *Deliverance and Submission: Evangelical Women and the Negotiation of Patriarchy in South Korea* (2008) in *The Journal of Asian Studies* (February 2010): 282-284.

Angie Y. Chung, *Legacies of Struggle: Conflict and Cooperation in Korean American Politics* (2007) in *American Journal of Sociology* 115:3(November 2009): 962-964.

Gi-Wook Shin, *Ethnic Nationalism in Korea: Genealogy, Politics, and Legacy* (2006) in *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews* 37:6(November 2008): 579-580.

“A review of The Unforgiven (*Yongsöbatchi mothanja*)” (2005 film about three Korean conscripts directed by Jong-bin Yoon, 120 minutes), *News and Reviews* (Publication of the Asian Educational Media Service, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign) Issue 26 (Summer 2007): 1 and 8

Kyung Hyun Kim, *The Remasculinization of Korean Cinema* (2004) in *Journal of Gender Studies* (July 2005): 169-170.



Nancy Abelmann, *The Melodrama of Mobility: Women, Talk and Class in Contemporary South Korea* (2003) in *Gender & Society* 19:1(February 2005): 125-126.

Sheila Miyoshi Jager, *Narratives of Nation building in Korea: A Genealogy of Patriotism* (2003) in *Acta Koreana* 8:2 (July 2005): 185-186.

Mary C. Brinton, ed., *Women's Working Lives in East Asia* (2001) and Esther Ngan-ling Chow, ed., *Transforming Gender and Development in East Asia* (2002) in *Gender & Society* 17:4(August 2003): 643-644.

Charles K. Armstrong, *Korean Society: Civil Society, Democracy, and the State* (2002) in *Pacific Affairs* 76:1(Spring 2003): 134-135.

John Lie, *Han Unbound: The Political Economy of South Korea* (1998) in *Social Forces* 77 (June 1999): 1656-58.

Barbara Ehrenreich, *Blood Rites: Origins and History of the Passions of War* (1997) in *Peace Work*, Issue no. 279 (November 1997): 5-6.

#### **Other Publications:**

“Conscription and Social Inequalities in South Korea: Intersectionality beyond gender inequality,” conference proceedings, the Rand Gender Inequality in South Korea Forum, held on November 3, 2022 (online).

“Siron: Han’gukpakkesō pon Sewolho ch’amsa (Opening essay: Sewolho disaster seen from outside Korea),” *Yōksawahyōnsil* 92, a flagship journal of the Organization of Korean Historians (Han’guk yōksa yōnguhoe) (2014 June): 3-18.

“The Rise of Women in Korea: Gains and Obstacles,” a special feature article commissioned by *the Korea Herald* (a major English newspaper published in South Korea), July 11 2007, p. 4 and p. 9.

“Gender, Conscription, and Popular Culture in Contemporary Korea,” in *The Military and South Korean Society*, edited by Young-Key Kim-Renaud, R. Richard Grinker, and Kirk W. Larsen. The Sigur Center Asia Papers no. 26. The Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University (2006): 15-27.

“Betwixt and Between Law and Practices: Korean Women in the Workplace,” *Edging Toward Full Empowerment: South Korean Women in the Workplace and the Political Arena*, Asia Program Special Report no. 132 (September 2006), edited by Michael Kugelmann, Asian Program at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, DC: 6-13. A slightly modified

version of this article (entitled “Korean Women in Workplace: Law and Practice”) was republished in *Korean Journal of Public Policy* 22(Winter 2006): 49-61.

“Haebang 60junyönüi sijage t’al/minjogjuürül saenggakhamyö” (A reflection on nationalism and postnationalism at the outset of the sixtieth anniversary of Korean Independence), *Tangdaebip’yöng* (February 2005): 83-88.

“Interpreting the Gendered Process of Democratization in South Korea,” *The Good Society*, a PEGS (Political Economy of the Good Society) journal 11:3 (2002): 36-42.

"Namsöngüi, namsöngge ũihan, namsöngül wihan han'guk" (Korea: of the men, by the men, and for the men), *Tangdaebip'yöng* 9(Winter 1999): 115-137; This article is a Korean translation of “Begetting the Nation.”

"Modernization of Gender Hierarchy in South Korea: The Politics of Family Law Reform," *The Journal of Modern Korean Studies* 6(1996): 19-43.

#### CONFERENCE PAPERS, LECTURES, & WORKSHOPS

- 2023 “The U.S. as a military empire in the Cold War and post-Cold War eras: a comparative historical gender perspective,” Research and Publication Workshop on “Handbook US Empire: A Companion for Historians” at University of Kassel, **Kassel**, Germany (June 30 – July 1: invited)
- 2022 “Conscription and Gender in/equality in South Korea” Rand Corporation Research Group on South Korea, Gender Equality, & Policy Implications (November 3<sup>rd</sup>: Zoom conference; invited).
- 2022 “How to conduct research on South Korea: inside and outside Korea” International Conference on Sociology of Korea (I-CSK), University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia (October 7-8; invited).
- 2022 “Between Neoliberalism and Democracy: Resisting the Market Logic and Adopting Market Practices,” 2022 International AKS Symposium, “Local Agency and National Responses to Globalization: the South Korean Case in Comparative, Transnational, and Diasporic Perspective.” (online; June 13-14 EST & June 14 -15 in **Melbourne**, Australia; invited).
- 2022 “Developing and Teaching a course, Global Asia,” 2022 ASIANetwork Conference, “Transcultural Asia: In the Classroom and the World, Hobart & William Smith College, Geneva, NY (April 8-10).
- 2022 “Forgotten War and Remembering Korea: An Interdisciplinary Conversation on Collective Memory and Liberation.” ASAM Fellows Spring 2022 Symposium, Asian American Studies Program, University of Pennsylvania (April 2<sup>nd</sup>; invited).
- 2021 “Undermining the rule of law but reflecting US law: the politics of US Bases relocation and environmental cleanup in South Korea,” online international workshop, entitled “Democratic and Rule-of-Law

- Implications of Military Deployments Abroad,” organized by Dr. Asif Efrat at Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy, and Strategy, Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) **Herzliya**, Israel (October 6; invited).
- 2021 Discussant of a panel, “Militarized Legacies: Technology, Ideology, and Race in the Making of Modern Korea,” organized by Peter B. Kwon. Virtual Annual Meeting of Association for Asian Studies (March 21-26; invited).
- 2020 “Enduring Impact of the Korean War on Transnational Militarism in South Korea,” the International Christian University (ICU)-Sophia 2020 International Symposium, entitled “The Korean War at 70: the Unending War and Its Lasting Spell” Virtual conference, **Tokyo**, Japan (December 18-19; invited).
- 2020 “Transnational Militarism and Ethnic Nationalism: South Korean Involvements in the Vietnam War and the Iraq War,” collaborative paper with Nora Kim at University of Mary Washington, panel entitled “Non-State approaches to the Politics of Ethnic Nationalism and Migrations: Korea from a Comparative Perspective,” International Studies Conference, Honolulu, Hawaii (March 25-28). [cancelled due to the Covid -19 pandemic]
- 2020 “The Politics of Population Control and Its Implication for Transnational Adoption in South Korea during the 1970s and 1980s,” Conference, entitled “An Orphan for You: the Rise of Korean Adoption in the 1970s and 1980s,” sponsored by the Department of Asian American and Asian Diaspora Studies, University of California, Berkeley (February 22; invited).
- 2019 “Civic Agency in Consumer Society: Lessons from a Feminist Food Co-op in Globalizing South Korea,” panel, “Rise of a New Korea?: Globalization, Multiculturalism, and Discourse.” Association for Asian Studies in Asia Conference, **Bangkok**, Thailand (July 1-4).
- 2019 “Globalization and Local Agency in the Deployment of THAAD (Terminal High-Altitude Area Defense; anti-missile defense system) in South Korea,” International Relations Research Seminar at London School of Economics, **London** (March 22: invited).
- 2019 “Race, Postcolonial Conditions, and Transnational Militarism: A Case Study of THAAD Deployment in South Korea,” Lecture given for Nordic Korean Studies Days at University of Copenhagen, **Copenhagen**, Denmark (March 15: invited).
- 2019 “Race, Postcolonial Conditions, and Transnational Militarism: A Case Study of THAAD Deployment in South Korea,” Research Workshop, entitled “Local Agency and National Responses to Globalization,” Monash University, **Melbourne**, Australia (February 28 - March 1; invited).
- 2018 “Social Science Research Council Korean Studies Junior Scholars Publication Workshop,” Westchester Hilton, Rye Brook, NY (August 10-13; I was invited to mentor a group of 6 junior scholars for their first book projects. I collaborated with another mentor and a developmental editor.)
- 2018 “Postcolonial Conditions and Race in the Working of the US Military Empire: A Case Study of the THAAD (Terminal High Altitude Area

- Defense) Deployment in South Korea,” Research Workshop, entitled “Neglected Encounters: Militarism, Race, and the Politics of Coloniality,” London School of Economics and Political Science, **London** (April 20; invited).
- 2018 Formal discussant for a panel, “Environmental Challenges: South Korea’s Next Decade,” 2018 LIASE Grant Conference, “Environmental Learning through Partnerships” Bard College (April 13; invited).
- 2018 Faculty Enhancement Program Seminar presentation (discussion of the study trip to Indonesia during the summer of 2017), ASIANetwork Annual Meeting, Philadelphia (April 8).
- 2018 Formal discussant for a “Designated Social Sciences Panel,” entitled “Empowering the People: Political Participation in Contemporary South Korea,” Association for Asian Studies Conference in Washington, DC (March 22; invited).
- 2017 *Korea Journal* editorial board workshop on a Special Issue (Legacies of Militarism in the Korean Peninsula), Ethnic Culture Studies Center, Korea University, **Seoul** (August 2).
- 2017 Faculty Enhancement Program Orientation Meeting, a requirement for the ASIANetwork Faculty Seminar award, 25<sup>th</sup> ASIANetwork Annual Meeting, “Digital and Beyond: Ways of Knowing Asia,” Oak Brook, IL (April 7).
- 2017 “Buddhist Temple Food and Globalization in South Korea,” a public lecture on “Cuisine and Culture” series, **the Institute for Advanced Study**, Princeton, NJ (March 10; invited).
- 2016 “Urban Farming, ‘Return-to-Farming’ movement, and Food Coops in South Korea” Mini Symposium, “Ideas and Practices of Sustainability in Asia,” Asian Studies Program, Vassar College (October 7).
- 2015 Keynote Speech, “Negotiating Public Space in Urban South Korea: Women’s Access to Civil Society Organizations” for a symposium, “Negotiating Gender and Politics in Urban Spaces of Korea(s),” Binghamton University, NY (May 8; invited).
- 2015 “Korean culture: enduring values, attitudes and norms,” a lecture given in the MIT-Korea Program, which was integral part of the MIT International Science and Technology Initiatives (MISTI). The audience for this lecture was MIT students who would take intensive internships in South Korea during the summer of 2015. MIT, Cambridge, MA (April 7; invited).
- 2015 Formal discussant for a panel, entitled “Socio-spatial Patterns and Systems of Mobilities in and around Korea,” Association for Asian Studies Meeting, Chicago (March 29; invited).
- 2015 “Doing Research on Globalization and Masculinities among Younger-Generation Men in South Korea,” Mixed Research Method Workshop, Sociology Department, Harvard University (February 27; invited).
- 2015 “Social Hierarch and Civil Society in South Korea: Class, Gender, and Ethnicity/Nation,” Kim Koo Forum on Korea Current Affairs, Korea Institute, Harvard University (February 5; invited).
- 2014 A series of lectures on globalization, civil society, and citizenship in

- South Korea with a comparative perspective, Faculty Exchange between University of Bologna and Vassar College, Department of Political and Social Sciences, University of Bologna, **Bologna, Italy** (December 3-16).
- 2014 “Globalization and masculinities among young men in South Korea: neoliberalism, consumer culture, and ideology of gender equality,” Korean Studies Lecture Series, New York University (October 2; invited).
- 2014 “Globalization and younger-generation Korean men: neo-liberalism, consumer culture, and the ideology of gender equality,” the Institute of State Governance Studies, Yonsei University, **Seoul, Korea** (May 27; invited).
- 2014 “The relationship between contemporary democratic society and the military: a focus on South Korea with a historical and comparative perspective,” special seminar with researchers at the Korea Defense Analyses Institute, Seoul, June 13 (invited).
- 2014 “Buddhist temple food: reinvention of tradition in the age of globalization,” special morning lecture for employees at Handok Pharmaceuticals, Co., Seoul, April 16 (invited)
- 2014 Dissertation Workshop, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, April 11 (invited).
- 2014 “Globalization, Social Class, and Hegemonic Masculinity among Young Men in South Korea,” Korean Studies Lecture Series, University of Texas, Austin, April 8 (invited).
- 2014 “Women Political Leaders in Asia: Are They Gender Game Changers?” public lectures, Santa Fe Council on International Relations, New Mexico, April 5 and Center for International Studies, Albuquerque International Association, Albuquerque, New Mexico, April 6 (invited).
- 2013 “Masculinities and Social Class among Younger-Generation Korean Men,” a conference entitled “Polarization in Divided Societies: Korea in a Global context,” Central European University, **Budapest, Hungary**, September 2-4 (invited).
- 2013 “Young Men and Hegemonic Masculinities in Japan and South Korea,” a panel entitled “Gender in Daily Practices and Cultural Representations in Modern and Contemporary Korea and Japan,” Association of Korean Studies in Europe (AKSE) meeting, **Vienna, Austria**, July 6-9.
- 2013 “2012 Presidential Election in South Korea: What Does it tell us about the Society?” a panel entitled “South Korea’s New President: Historic Elections, Historic Challenges, Center for Korean Studies and Korean Economic Institute Policy Forum Series, Columbia University, January 31 (invited).
- 2012 “Gender as a Structure of Stratification: A Case of Gender and Academic Profession in South Korea,” a panel entitled “South Korea and Sociology,” American Sociological Association meeting, Denver, CO, August 17-20 (invited).
- 2012 Discussant for “The End of Old Romance?: Imageries of Love in South Korean TV Dramas,” a panel organized for the Asian Studies Conference Japan, Rikkyo University, **Tokyo, Japan**, June 30-July 1 (invited).

- 2012 “Women Professors in South Korean Academia: Theories of Gender and Professional Employment,” International Conference, Women in Academia: Meritocracy and Gender Equality, organized by the Yenching Institute and the Korea Institute at Harvard University and the Institute for Gender Research at Seoul National University, **Seoul, Korea**, June 18-19 (invited).
- 2012 “Local Meanings and Lived Experiences of Citizenship: Voices from a Women’s Organization in South Korea.” Public lecture at Australian National University, **Canberra, Australia**, June 5 (invited).
- 2012 Discussant for a panel, “Prostitution Regulation in China, Vietnam and Japan: Race, Gender, Sexuality and Power in the 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries,” Association for Asian Studies Meeting, **Toronto, Canada**, March 15 (invited).
- 2011 Discussant for “Comparative Perspectives: Politics of Public Sphere in Korea,” Research Workshop at University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, November 11-12 (invited).
- 2011 “Memories of Authoritarianism and the upcoming Seoul Mayoral By-Election,” Panel entitled “Memories of Authoritarianism in Democratic South Korea,” Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, DC, October 11 (invited).
- 2011 “Consumer Culture and Changing Attitudes toward Hegemonic Masculinity in South Korea,” Summer School, the Cluster of Excellence: Asia and Europe in a Global Context,” University of Heidelberg, **Heidelberg, Germany**, July 24-29 (invited).
- 2011 “Teaching a course, Social Change in South Korea through Film,” Section: Teaching about Korea: Past, Present, and Future, the First Yeongweol-Yonsei International Forum, Gangweon Province, **South Korea**, May 23-26 (invited).
- 2011 “Living with the US Military Empire in South Korea: Camptown Women and KATUSAs,” Korean Studies Lecture Series, Duke University, Durham, April 15 (invited).
- 2011 “Living with the US Military Empire in South Korea: Camptown Women and KATUSAs,” Korean Studies Lecture Series, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, April 15 (invited).
- 2011 “‘Globalization of Korean Cuisine’ Project: Intersection of Political Economy and the Cultural Politics of Difference and Recognition,” panel entitled “Globalization and the Production and Consumption of Food in South Korea,” Association for Asian Studies Meeting, Honolulu, Hawaii, March 31, 2011.
- 2011 “Living with the US Military Empire in South Korea: Camptown Women and KATUSAs,” East Asian Studies Lecture Series, Johns Hopkins University, March 14 (invited).
- 2011 “State of Korean Studies in North America,” Social Science Research Council Workshop, New York City, February 4-5 (invited).
- 2011 “Military Service, Disciplinary Habitus, and Consumer Culture in South Korea,” Workshop on Asian Cultures of Learning, University of Oslo,

- Norway**, January 9-12 (invited).
- 2010 Public Lecture on my forthcoming volume, “*Over There: Living with the US Military Empire from World War II to the Present*,” University of California, San Diego, November 18 (invited).
- 2010 “Gender and Social Change in East Asia,” Lausanne Summer School, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, **Switzerland**, July 12-13 (invited to give lectures for the “gender module” in the Minor in Contemporary Asian Studies).
- 2010 “US Military Bases and the Politics of Gender, Sexuality, Race, and Class: A Comparative Study of South Korea and Okinawa,” Graduate School of International Area Studies, Tsukuba University, **Tokyo**, July 1 (invited).
- 2010 “The Politic of Gender, Sexuality, Race, and Class in the US Military Empire: A Comparative Study of South Korea, Japan/Okinawa and Germany,” Department of Sociology, Seoul National University, **Seoul**, May 11 (invited).
- 2010 “Global US Military Empire and Sex Work: Transnational Camptown Women in South Korea” Korean Diaspora Studies Symposium, University of California, Berkeley, April 30 (invited).
- 2010 “Cultural Politics of Commemorating Roh Moo Hyun,” Center for East Asian Studies, University of Kansas, February 25 (invited).
- 2010 “Cultural Politics of Commemorating Roh Moo Hyun,” Research Workshop on Asian Memories, University of Georgia, Athens, February 13-14 (invited).
- 2009 “Social Costs of the U.S. Military Empire: A Comparative Overview of South Korea, Japan/Okinawa, and Germany” at the Center for Korean Studies, University of Hawai’i at Manoa, November 13 (invited).
- 2009 “The Interplay between the State, the Market, and Culture in Shaping Civil Society: A Case Study of the PSPD in Post-Military Rule Korea,” the 37<sup>th</sup> Kyujanggak Colloquium, Kyujanggak Institute, Seoul National University, **Seoul**, November 5 (invited).
- 2009 “Narratives of Involvement in Civil Society: A Case of Minwuhoe,” Gender and Policy Forum, Korean Women’s Institute, Ewha Womans University, **Seoul**, November 3 (invited).
- 2009 “The Interplay between the State, the Market, and Culture in Shaping Civil Society: A Case Study of the PSPD in Post-Military Rule Korea,” The 152<sup>nd</sup> Sociology Colloquium, Sociology Department, Korea University, **Seoul**, October 13 (invited).
- 2009 “Cultural Construction of Civil Society: A Case study of Minwuhoe,” Workshop on Gender and Politics in Contemporary Korea at the Center for Korean Research at the University of British Columbia, **Vancouver, Canada**, August 12-13 (invited).
- 2009 “Korean Food: An Evolving Culinary Identity” and “Buddhist Temple Food in Contemporary South Korea” at the Fifth Annual Teach Korea Conference: Enhancing Cultural Competence in Korean Language, Family, and Culture, Yale University, July 1-2 (invited).
- 2009 “Buddhist Temple Food in South Korea: Interests and Agency in the

- Reinvention of Tradition in the Age of Globalization,” panel entitled “Cultural Politics of Food and Beverages in Asian-Pacific Regions,” Association for Asian Studies Meeting, Chicago, March 27.
- 2008 “Theorizing the U.S. Empire: Military Bases and Liberal Imperialism,” panel entitled “Comparative Empire and the Reorganization of Area Studies,” Symposium on the Possibilities of Transpacific Studies and the End of Area Studies,” Cornell University, Ithaca, September 12-14, 2008 (invited).
- 2008 “Gender, Race, and Sexuality in the Global U.S. Military Empire: Paradigmatic Cases of South Korea, Okinawa-Japan, and Germany” East Asia Colloquium Series, Cornell University, Ithaca, May 2 (invited).
- 2007 “Traditional Buddhist Cuisine” in Korea: Culture and Capitalism in the Age of Globalization,” Korean Studies Symposium: Korean Peninsula and Beyond: Re-Centering Korean Studies, SUNY, Binghamton, New York, October 27 (invited).
- 2007 “In the U.S. Army but not quite of it: Contesting the Imperial Power in a Discourse of KATUSAs (Korean Augmentation Troops to the United States Army), panel entitled “Militarism, Masculinity and Violence: Gender, History, and Discourses of the Conscription System in Korean Society,” Nordic Association for Japanese and Korean Studies, **Copenhagen, Denmark**, August 25.
- 2007 “Gender and Militarism in South Korean Popular Culture,” lecture delivered at the World without War (a grassroots organization in **Seoul**, Korea), June 5 (invited).
- 2007 Politics of Gender & Sexuality in the Global U.S. Military Empire: a Case of South Korea.” The Division of World Cultural Studies 2007 Lecture Series, California State University, Dominguez Hill, April 26 (invited).
- 2007 In the U.S. Army but not quite of it: Gender, Race, Class, and Nation in a Discourse of KATUSA (Korean Augmentation to the United States Army), panel entitled “Comparative Perspectives on the Local History of the Cold War in Asia,” Association for Asian Studies, Boston, MA, March 23.
- 2006 “The Emergence and Consolidation of the U.S. Military Prostitution in South Korea, 1945-1970,” panel entitled “The Militarization of the Everyday in the Philippines, South Korea, Okinawa, and Japan,” American Anthropological Association, San Jose, CA, November 16.
- 2006 “Emergence and Consolidation of the U.S. Military Prostitution in South Korea, 1945-1970,” the Center for Korean Studies at University of California at Los Angeles, October 13 (invited).
- 2006 “The social context of the male-only conscription system in South Korea.” Teaching Korea through Film Educators’ Workshop, the Center for East Asian and Pacific Studies at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, September 30 (invited).



- “The Rise and Decline of Militarized Modernity in South Korea,” Korea Workshop, Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, September 28 (invited).
- 2006 “Civic Participation in Post-Military-Rule South Korea: Class, Gender, and Culture in the New Voluntary Sector,” Political Sociology panel, entitled “Contemporary Social Politics: Market Fundamentalism and Moral Conflicts.” American Sociological Association, **Montreal, Canada**, August 14.
- 2006 Presider and discussant, “The Literature of Industrialization: South Korean Politico-economic Machine and the “Agony of Cultural Construction.” Association for Asian Studies Meeting, San Francisco, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2006 (invited).
- 2006 “Militarized Modernity and Gendered Citizenship in South Korea,” Korean Studies Seminar Series, Korean Studies Institute, University of Southern California, April 10 (invited).
- 2006 “Militarized Modernity and Gendered Citizenship in South Korea,” Korean Studies Lecture Series, Williams College, MA, April 5 (invited).
- 2006 “Social change and Women’s Position in South Korea: Family, Work, and Politics,” Conference on East Asian Women, Universidad Autonoma de **Barcelona, Spain**, March 8 (invited).
- 2006 “Militarized Modernity and Gendered Citizenship in South Korea,” public lecture, Center for East Asian Studies, University of Chicago, March 3 (invited).
- 2006 “Social Relations of Gender and Sexuality in U.S. Military Bases in South Korea,” public lecture, DePaul University, Chicago, March 2 (invited).
- 2006 “Reflections on a Feminist Methodology,” guest speaker for a graduate seminar, DePaul University, Chicago, March 1 (invited).
- 2006 “Politics of Gender & Sexuality in the Global U.S. Military Empire: A case of South Korea,” public lecture, Duke University, NC, February 17 (invited).
- 2006 “Korean Women in the Economy,” Asia Program, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, DC, February 14 (invited).
- 2006 “Narratives of Civic Participation in post Military-Rule South Korea,” Comparative Workshop in Sociology Department, Yale University, February 8 (invited).
- 2006 “Militarized Modernity and Gendered Citizenship in South Korea,” guest speaker for a graduate seminar on Korean History, Council on East Asian Studies and Department of History, Yale University, February 1 (invited).
- 2006 “Militarized Modernity and Gendered Citizenship in South Korea” public lecture, Council on East Asian Studies, Yale Center for International and Area Studies, January 30 (invited).
- 2005 “In Search of Civic Selfhood in post Military-Rule South Korea,” Regional Conference on Modern Korea: The Distance between Ideology

- and Society, Columbia University, December 2 (invited).
- 2005 “Gender, Conscription, and Popular Culture in South Korea,” The Military and Korean Society: The 12<sup>th</sup> Hahn Moo-Sook Colloquium in the Korean Humanities Series, George Washington University, Washington DC, October 22 (invited).
- 2005 “Gender, Conscription, and Popular Culture in South Korea,” public lecture, University of Oslo, **Oslo, Norway**, October 3 (invited).
- 2005 “The Rise and Decline of Militarized Modernity in South Korea,” Frontier of Sociology: 37<sup>th</sup> World Congress of the International Institute of Sociology, **Stockholm, Sweden**, July 5-9.
- 2005 “Transnational (hetero)sexuality and the U.S. Military Empire in South Korea,” Women’s Worlds 2005: 9<sup>th</sup> International Interdisciplinary Congress on Women, Ewha Womans University, **Seoul**, June 19-24.
- 2005 “Transnational (hetero)sexuality and the U.S. Military Empire in South Korea,” 13<sup>th</sup> Berkshire Conference on Women’s History, Claremont, CA, June 2-5.
- 2005 “Gendered Trajectories of Citizenship in post-1987 Korea”, 46<sup>th</sup> Yonsei Korea Foundation Korean Studies Forum, Yonsei University, **Seoul**, May 10 (invited).
- 2005 “Gender, Class, & Political Membership in South Korea,” Fulbright Forum, Korean American Educational Commission in **Seoul**, April 22 (invited).
- 2005 “Theories of Civil Society/Citizenship,” special seminar, Ewha School for Leadership Development, Ewha Womans University, **Seoul**, March 4 (invited).
- 2005 “Nationalism and the Structures of Inequalities,” guest lecture, graduate seminar on Comparative Studies of Nationalism and Development, Sunggonghoe University, **Seoul**, January 25 (invited).
- 2004 “The Politics of Gender and Sexuality in the U.S. Global Military Empire in Post 9-11 era, public lecture, Graduate School of International Studies, Ewha Womans University, **Seoul**, December 3 (invited).
- 2004 Commentator for Fall Seminar of the Korea Philosophy Association, entitled “Is Just War Possible?,” Dongkuk University, **Seoul**, November 27 (invited).
- 2004 Commentator for the International Forum, “Women and Peace in Asia,” Institute for Gender Research at Seoul National University, **Seoul**, October 29 (invited).
- 2004 Militarized Modernity and Gendered Citizenship in South Korea, public lecture on my forthcoming book, University of Texas, Austin, April 23 (invited).
- 2004 “Trajectory of Women’s Citizenship Shaped by Their Economic Marginalization in South Korea,” Research Workshop on Empowering Civil Society and Women in East Asia, University of Maryland, College Park, February 28 (invited).
- 2004 “Cultural Politics of Militarized Masculinity in Contemporary Korea,” public lecture, Arizona State University, February 2 (invited).

- 2002 “Transnational Consumption of Cinematic Images: Crisis of Masculinity in Middle-Class Korea and Japan,” public lecture, East Asian Languages and Cultures, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, December 6 (invited).
- 2002 “Imagining a Nation through Differences: Reading the Controversy concerning the Military Service Extra Points System in South Korea,” Korea Colloquium Series, Korea Institute, Harvard University, November 21 (invited).
- 2002 “Immigration and Mothering: Two Generations of Korean Middle-Class Immigrant Women,” Korean-American Women: The Challenge of the Second Century (conference organized by the Women’s Development Institute International, the Center for East Asian Studies, and Women’s Studies Program at University of Pennsylvania), Philadelphia, November 16 (invited).
- 2002 “Redrafting Democratization through Women’s Representation and Participation in the Republic of Korea” Korean Studies Forum (lecture series funded by the Fulbright Foundation and the Korea Foundation), Yonsei University, **Seoul**, October 17 (invited).
- 2002 “Modernity and Gendered Citizenship in Contemporary Korea,” New Dimensions in Korean Historiography (conference funded by POSCO and the Research Center for the Humanities, Sogang University, Seoul and the Center for Korean Studies, University of Hawai’i), **Pohang**, South Korea, October 10-13 (invited)
- 2002 “Globalization and Mothering: Case Studies from Two Generations of Korean Immigrant Women,” Annual Meeting of American Sociological Association, Chicago, August 16-19.
- 2002 “Consuming the Still Powerful ‘Other’: Transnational Urban Middle-Class Sensibilities in Japanese Movies shown in South Korea,” Sixth Pacific and Asia Conference on Korean Studies (PACKS), **Seoul**, June 18-20.
- 2002 “Civil Society and the Women’s Movement in South Korea,” Contemporary Korean Affairs Seminar, Center for Korean Research, Columbia University, March 28 (invited)
- 2001 “Exploring Topography of Global Gender and Sexuality Studies in Sociology,” Annual Meeting of American Sociological Association, Anaheim, CA, August 20.
- 2001 “The Industrial Use of Male Conscripts and the Marginalization of Women in the South Korean Economy, 1973-1990,” Second International Conference of Asia Scholars (ICAS), **Berlin, Germany**, August 9.
- 2001 “Women and Democratization: A Study of State Feminism in South Korea, 1993-the Present.” Research Project on Korean Democracy and Development, Center for Korean Research, East Asia Institute, Columbia University, May 18-19 (invited).
- 2001 “Gender Politics and Nation Building in South Korea,” Contemporary Korean Affairs Seminar, Center for Korean Research, East Asia Institute, Columbia University, February 15 (invited).

- 2000 "Counterpublic Space, Coalition, and Family Law Reform Movement in South Korea," Workshop on Civil Society, Democracy, and Social Inequality in Korea, University of Maryland, College Park, October 16 (invited)
- 2000 "Beyond Equality versus Difference: Professional Women Soldiers in South Korean Army," Annual Conference of American Sociological Association, Washington, D.C., August 12-16.
- 2000 "Trouble with Conscription: The Rhetoric of Militarized Masculinity and Social Meanings of Military Service in South Korea," Conference on the Rhetoric(s) of Masculinity at Universidad de Sevilla, **Seville, Spain**, March 2-4.
- 1999 "Contested Citizenship: A Controversy over Military Service and Gender Equality in Employment," Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Boston, March 11-14.
- 1998 "Ambivalent Labor of Love: Experience of Motherhood among two Generations of Korean Immigrant Women," New York Conference of Asian Studies in New Paltz, October 17.
- 1998 "Shifting Identities: Korean Immigrant Women and Ideological Work," International Conference of Asia Scholars (ICAS), **Leiden, the Netherlands**, June 27.
- 1998 "Globalization and the Rise of a Women's Policy in South Korea," Research Workshop on South Korea and Globalization, Columbia University, May 22. (invited)
- 1997 "Women's Movements and Civil Society in South Korea," Workshop on Civil Society in Korea, Columbia University, May 31. (invited)
- 1997 "Globalization, the State, and Women's Policy in South Korea," 49th Annual Meeting of the Association of Asian Studies, Chicago, March 16.
- 1997 "Militarization of the Korean Peninsula and Gender Hierarchy in South Korea," Conference on Frontline Feminisms: Women, War, Resistance, University of California, Riverside, January 16.
- 1996 "Practices of Militarized Masculinity and Gender Hierarchy in South Korea, 1963-1992," Brownbag Lunch Lecture Series at the East Asia Institute, Columbia University, November 14 (invited).
- 1996 "Militarized Masculinity and the State in South Korea," East Asia Colloquium Series, Wellesley College, October 3 (invited).
- 1995 "Modernization of Gender Hierarchy in South Korea: The Politics of Family Law Reform," Annual Meeting of Canadian Sociology and Anthropology Association, **Montreal, Canada**, June 6.
- 1995 "Stories of Hope and Despair: First Generation Korean Immigrant Women," Annual Meeting of Association for Asian American Studies, Oakland, CA, June 3.
- 1995 "Militarized Masculinity and the State in South Korea," 47th Annual Meeting of Association for Asian Studies, Washington, DC, April 8.
- 1995 "Engendering the State in South Korea, 1963-1992," Brown Bag Lecture Series at the Center for East Asian & Pacific Studies,

- University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, March 28 (invited).
- 1994 "A Reflection on Culture, "Tradition," and Violence against Women," the Fifth KAWDT (Korean American Women Doing Theology) Conference on "Women's Body, Cultural Interpretations, and Social Reality," New York City, September 16 (invited).
- 1994 "Gender Politics of Motherhood/Wifehood: Women and the State in South Korea," Annual Meeting of the International Society for Korean Studies in Americas on "Gender, Culture, and Politics in the Korean and Korean American Communities," New York City, July 23.
- 1994 "Gender and Official Nationalist Discourse in South Korea," International Conference, "Anticipating the 21st Century: Contemporary Cultural Politics in East Asia," University of Colorado, Boulder, March 4.
- 1994 "War, Militarism, and Violence against Women," panel on Peace and Justice Study, Tufts University, March 1, 1994 (invited).
- 1992 "National Development & Sexual Politics in South Korea, 1961-the present," Forum of Graduate Women's Studies Scholarship, Brandeis University, May 5.

#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

**Political and Cultural Sociology** (transnational militarism of South Korea and the U.S.; civic activism and social movements in South Korea; collective memory and political leadership in South Korea; Transnational production and consumption of food)

**Gender Studies/ Korean Studies** (masculinities and globalization; women's movements)

#### Courses taught:

##### **Vassar College**

- AS 110 Social Change in South Korea through Film (combined with a two-week study trip to South Korea during the spring break in 2004; for comprehensive information on this course, see <http://faculty.vassar.edu/semoon/projects/asia110/>)
- AS/Soc 111 Social Change in South Korea through Film (revised to be taught as a regular course without the study trip)
- AS 295 Critical Reading of South Korean Film (Intensive Course)
- Soc 151 Introductory Sociology (with the focus on the classical sociological theories of Anna Julia Cooper, W.E.B. Du Bois, Emile Durkheim, Karl Marx, Georg Simmel, and Max Weber)
- Soc 151 Introductory Sociology: A Global and Transnational Perspective (pairs the classical theories with case studies drawn from societies around the world)
- Soc/AS 216 Food, Culture, and Globalization
- Soc/AS 236 Women, Men, and Social Change in East Asia

Soc 247	Modern Social Theory: Redrawing the Boundary Modern Social Theory: Classical Tradition
Soc/AS/ AMCT 257	Re-orienting America: Asians in American History and Society
Soc 282	Life of Garbage in Dutchess County (6-week course; fall of 2018)
Soc 288	Asian American Communities: Contemporary Issues
WMST 251	Global Feminisms: Building Solidarity across Power Differences
Soc 301 & Soc 302	Senior Thesis Seminar
Soc/AS/ WMST 306	Women's Movements in Asia
Soc 347	Re-envisioning Women in the Third World
Soc/AS/ WMST 369	Masculinities: A Global Perspective
Soc 382	Women and the Politics of Third World Development

**Goldsmiths, University of London** (spring 2019)

<http://pages.vassar.edu/seungsookmoon/london-program/>

Director's Seminar	Food, Culture and Globalization in London (Special course designed for the London Program in Media & Culture; critical studies of food as material and symbolic media for constructing, maintaining, & remaking collective identities and status distinctions in London as the capital of the colonial empire and postcolonial/global city; each weekly seminar is paired with field trips relevant to weekly topics)
Independent Studies	Individual and group projects using multimedia format, combining personal or academic essays or literary work with photographs, drawings, sound effects, music, and video production.

**Harvard University (2014-2015; 1993-1995)**

Soc 132	Food, Culture, and Globalization (fall of 2014) [modified to strengthen case studies from South/east Asia]
Soc 149	Masculinities: A Global Perspective (spring of 2015) Sociology Department
Social Studies 10	One-year long tutorials on political and social theories that examined primary classical and contemporary texts, ranging from works of Thomas Hobbes and Adam Smith to works of Simone de Beauvoir and Michel Foucault. Social Studies, Undergraduate Interdisciplinary Honors Program (1993-1995).

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES/SERVICES**

**Vassar College:**

Committee on Fellowships (2022-2023: one-year replacement)

Steering committee member, Asian Studies Program (2019-2023; 2015-2017).  
Member, Committee on Student Records (2020-2021; Fall 2021).  
Member, Search Committee for full-time Korean Language Instructor for 2021-22,  
Asian Studies Program (Fall 2020 - Winter 2021)  
Member, Committee on Leaves and Privileges (2019-2020)  
Head, informal search committee for the first full-time Korean Language  
Instructor for 2018-2021, Asian Studies Program (2017-2018).  
Committee member, Community Works (2017-2018), carrying out the annual  
campaign to raise money to support various types of local organizations.  
Organizer of Mini Symposium, "Ideas and Practices of Sustainability in Asia"  
Asian Studies Program (October 2016)  
Co-Chair of 2015 New York Conference on Asian Studies (NYCAS), "Global  
Asia: Social, Cultural and Political Spaces," held at Vassar College  
(October 16 & 17, 2015); It drew 250 participants from 15 countries and  
18 states in the US. It was the largest conference that the college ever  
hosted.  
Elected Chair, Sociology Department, Vassar College (2010-2013).  
Elected Director, Asian Studies Program, Vassar College (2006-2009).  
Steering committee member, Asian Studies Program (1997- 2012).  
Member, Institutional Review Board (2007-2009).  
Member, Committee on Curricular Policies (Spring 2008).  
Elected member, Committee on Curricular Policies (2001-2002).  
Steering committee member, Asian American Studies Curricula Development  
Group in the American Culture Program (2000-2002)  
Steering committee member, Women's Studies Program (1997-2001).  
Steering committee member, Environmental Studies Development  
Project (1997-1998)

**Mass media:**

Consulted and quoted by journalists writing articles about South Korea for the  
following newspapers:

***EFE Spain News Agency***

[https://www.swissinfo.ch/spa/peninsula-de-corea-elecciones\\_la-ira-antifeminista-ahoga-demandas-de-igualdad-en-las-elecciones-surcoreanas/47405086](https://www.swissinfo.ch/spa/peninsula-de-corea-elecciones_la-ira-antifeminista-ahoga-demandas-de-igualdad-en-las-elecciones-surcoreanas/47405086)

and

<https://www.laprensa-latina.com/anti-feminist-anger-drowns-out-demands-for-equality-in-south-korean-election/>

Both articles by Andrés Sánchez Braun were published on 3/05/2022.

***Magazine Giornalismo Multimedia Idee.*** "Corea Del Sud, se il femminismo può davvero cambiare il paese," Beatrice Broglio, an Italian graduate student of Journalism at Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore di Milano. Published on 2/05/2020.

<http://www.magazine.it/corea-del-sud-se-il-femminismo-puo-davvero-cambiare-il-paese/>

***El Pais.*** "K-Pop, Prostitution, and Sexual Abuses," Jamie Santirso.

[https://elpais.com/elpais/2019/06/11/gente/1560270603\\_227562.html](https://elpais.com/elpais/2019/06/11/gente/1560270603_227562.html)

Published on 6/11/2019.

*The Economist*, “What makes you ‘kkondae’: A new word for “condescending geezer” reveals a lot about hierarchy in South Korea.” Published on 6/01/2019.

*South China Morning Post*. “Why has the support for South Korea’s president Moon Jae-in collapsed among young men?” John Power.

<https://www.scmp.com/news/asia/east-asia/article/2182315/south-koreas-feminist-president-moon-loses-young-male-admirers?fbclid=IwAR340WDXOr6pxyJifH0E287MJSQvjB53wRwQ0ghfytze04ytyMEblI5INAA> Published on 1/18/2019.

*El Periodico* (a major liberal newspaper in Spain), Adrian Foncillas’ article published on 4/13/2013

<http://www.elperiodico.com/es/noticias/internacional/inmunes-amenaza-2362546>).

*CNN Digital* Contributed an invited op-ed article, “Why Madam President in South Korea May Not be Gender Game Changer?”; accessed at

<http://www.cnn.com/2012/12/21/opinion/female-president-korea-gender/index.html> Published on 12/21/2012.

*Korea Herald* (a major English newspaper published in Seoul with national circulation); John Power’s article published on 4/09/2011.

*Weekendavisen* (a Danish newspaper published in Copenhagen); Peter Harmsen’s article was published on 11/19/2010.

Live radio interview for “Morning Wave in Busan,” an English radio show aired in the city of Pusan, the second largest city in South Korea: I was asked to discuss senior-junior relationships based on school affiliation among Koreans as a specific feature of social hierarchy in the society (March 27, 2015 in South Korean time).

[http://befm.or.kr/radio/ProgramAction.do?cmd=PlayListMgr&prgmId=morning\\_s p&tab=PRGM\\_SCRIPT](http://befm.or.kr/radio/ProgramAction.do?cmd=PlayListMgr&prgmId=morning_s p&tab=PRGM_SCRIPT)

#### **Outside Vassar College:**

Elected Member, Board of Executive Directors, ASIANetwork, a consortium of over 150 colleges in North America that promote teaching about Asian in the contexts of liberal arts education (3-year term: April 2018 – April 2021). This board makes important decisions about the organization, including its annual conference, student-faculty collaboration for research and publication, faculty enhancement program, and other various projects and programs.

Member, Editorial Board of *Critical Military Studies* (2020- ), a transdisciplinary journal “raising questions about, and seeking to challenge, military power”.



Member, Editorial Board of *Korea Journal* (2017-2019; 2019-2021), peer-reviewed English journal published by the Academy of Korean Studies (formerly by Korean National Commission for UNESCO). This is the oldest scholarly journal published in English in South Korea.

Associate Editor (2014 - 2016) and Korea Book Review Editor (2010- 2014), *Journal of Asian Studies*, flagship journal of the Association for Asian Studies.

Member, Editorial Board of *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews* (2014- 2016), published by the American Sociological Association.

Member, Editorial Board of *Asian Women* (2007- the present), peer-reviewed English journal (listed in Social Sciences Citation Index) published by Soongmyong Women's University in Seoul, Korea.

Member, Editorial Board of *Gender & Society* (2003-2007), flagship journal of the Sociologists for Women in Society (SWS).

Faculty mentor, **Social Science Research Council** Korean Studies Junior Faculty Workshop (on their first book publication), Rye Brook, NY, August 10-13, 2018 (invited),

Faculty mentor (for three consecutive years), **Social Science Research Council** Korean Studies Dissertation Workshop, Pacific Grove, CA, July 6-10, 2011; August 7-11, 2010; July 12-16, 2009 (invited).

External reviewer, tenure or full-professor promotions of several scholars in the U.S. and Canada.

Member, Dissertation Workshop, Hayana Kim, a doctoral student in the Interdisciplinary Ph.D. in **Theater and Drama Program at Northwestern University** (December 2022).

Member, Dissertation Committee of Sung Eun Kim, Ph.D. candidate in Korean **History** (Spring of 2018 – the present), **UCLA**.

Member, Dissertation Committee of Yaejoon Kwon, Ph.D. candidate in **Sociology** Department (2013- 2017), **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**.

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Chair (2005-2006) and an elected member (2005-2007), Sally Hacker Award Committee, Sex & Gender Section of the American Sociological Association.

Peer reviewer for *American Journal of Sociology*; *Anthropological Quarterly*; *Asian Women*; *Comparative Studies in Society and History*; *Contemporary Politics Journal*; *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews*; *Current Anthropology*; *European Journal of Cultural Studies*; *Feminist Studies*; *Gastronomica: the Journal of Critical Food Studies*; *Gender, Place and Culture*; *International Feminist Journal of Politics*; *Journal of Asian Studies*; *Journal of Gender Studies*; *Journal of Korean Studies*; *Journal of Social History*; *Journal of Women, Politics, and Policy*; *Korea Journal*; *Pacific Affairs*; *Political Studies*; *Review of Korean Studies*; *Social Forces*; *Social Politics: International Studies in Gender, State and Society*; *Sociological Forum*; *Sociological Quarterly*; *Women's Studies International Forum*; *Women's Studies Quarterly*.

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Co-sponsored documentary film screenings (Me & the Owl; Alice in Wonderland) and discussions on U.S. Military prostitution in South Korea at

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Regular Session organizer and presider, "Immigration and Gender," American Sociological Association Meeting, Philadelphia, August, 2005 (invited).

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Session organizer, "Chandra T. Mohanty and Reflections on Transnational Feminist Pedagogy and Strategies," the Annual Meeting of American Sociological Association, August, 2003.

Panel organizer, "Engendering Political Economy and Popular Culture in East Asia," the Second International Conference of Asia Scholars, August, 2001.

Panel organizer, "Politics of Gender and Sexuality in South-East Asia," the Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, March, 1999.

Panel organizer, "East Asian Immigrant Women," New York Conference of Association for Asian Studies, October, 1998.

Co-Organizer of interdisciplinary research workshop, "The Other Half of the 'Model Minority': Gendered Experiences and Transformation of Identities among East Asian Immigrant Women in the United States," March 14-15, 1998, Vassar College (funded by the Social Sciences Research Council International Migration Research Planning Grant).

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