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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, Boston University, Boston MA, May 2020 (expected)

Dissertation Title: Essays in Applied Microeconomics

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M.A., Economics, Yonsei University, Seoul, South Korea, August 2013

B.B.A., B.A., Economics, Yonsei University, Seoul, South Korea, February 2011

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Labor Economics, Development Economics

PUBLICATIONS

"Business Cycle Synchronization in East Asia and Implications for a Regional Currency Union," (with Hyeon-seung Huh and Wongun Song) *The Korean Journal of Economic Studies*, 63: 33-59 (2015).

WORKING PAPERS

"Does Intrafamily Time Allocation Respond to Economic Shocks? The Role of Gender Norms," Job Market Paper.

"Place-based Development: Evidence from Special Economic Zones in India," (with Shree Ravi), IED Working Paper 306 (2018).

"Gender Roles and Labor Supply of Immigrant Women: Does Culture Matter More in Endogamous Marriage?" September 2018.

WORK IN PROGRESS

"The Structural Decline in Job Turnover since 2000: Disequilibrium or New Normal?" (with Shulamit Kahn and Alicia Modestino)

PRESENTATIONS (* items with asterisk are presentations by coauthor)

Society of Economics of the Household, Paris, France, 2018

Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development, New Delhi, India, 2017* Asia Research Centre, Copenhagen Business School, Copenhagen, Denmark, 2016* Joint Economics Symposium of Five Leading East Asian Universities, Singapore, 2013 Western Economic Association International, San Francisco, CA, 2012

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Expert group meeting for the 2019 issue of World Investment Report, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Geneva, Switzerland, 2019

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Summer Research Grants, Department of Economics, Boston University, 2017 Teaching Fellowship, Department of Economics, Boston University, 2014 – 2018 Dean's Fellowship, Graduate School of Art & Science, Boston University, 2013 – 2014 Brain Korea 21 Fellowship, Yonsei Brain Korea 21, Yonsei University, 2011 - 2013 Graduate Assistantship, School of Economics, Yonsei University, 2011 –2013

WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant for Professor Shulamit Kahn, Questrom School of Business, Boston University, Spring 2019 - Now

Research Assistant for Professor Hyeon-seung Huh, School of Economics, Yonsei University, Seoul, South Korea, Spring 2011 - Spring 2013

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Head Teaching Fellow, Introductory Macroeconomic Analysis, Department of Economics, Boston University, Spring 2018, Fall 2018

Head Teaching Fellow, Introductory Microeconomic Analysis, Department of Economics, Boston University, Fall 2017, Fall 2018

Teaching Fellow, Introductory Macroeconomic Analysis, Department of Economics, Boston University, Spring 2017

Teaching Assistant, Economics of Less-Developed Regions, Department of Economics, Boston University, Fall 2014 – Fall 2016

Teaching Assistant, Poverty and Discrimination, Department of Economics, Boston University, Fall 2016

Teaching Assistant, Development Theory and Policy (MA level), Department of Economics, Boston University, Fall 2015, Fall 2016

Teaching Assistant, Development Strategy (MA level), Department of Economics, Boston University, Spring 2016

Teaching Assistant, Market Structure and Industrial Organization (MA level), Department of Economics, Boston University, Spring 2016

Teaching Assistant, Market Structure and Economic Performance, Department of Economics, Boston University, Fall 2015

LANGUAGES

Korean (Native), English (Fluent)

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Does Intrafamily Time Allocation Respond to Economic Shocks? The Role of Gender Norms (Job Market Paper)

This paper studies the dynamics of intra-household time allocation (or lack thereof) in response to economic incentives, and the role played by traditional gender norms. Using unique longitudinal data on married couples in Japan, I estimate the effects of wages on time allocation across the spectrum of traditionalism with maternal employment as a proxy of gender role attitudes. As own wages change, wives and husbands in dual-income households adjust their market hours but not home hours, and the magnitude of changes in market hours is greater for less traditional wives than more traditional ones. To strengthen the identification, I exploit exogenous changes in sales at workplaces generated by the 2011 Tohoku earthquake and tsunami. In response to earthquake-induced shocks to own wages, both spouses alter their market hours while only husbands make small yet significant changes in time spent in childcare. Among husbands, less traditional ones are shown to adjust their home hours more flexibly to potential changes in own and spousal wages. Overall, the findings indicate that wives' adjustment of time occurs only in the market sphere, explaining the double burden of working wives. Egalitarian gender roles can facilitate husbands' time adjustment at home.

Place-based Development: Evidence from Special Economic Zones in India (with Shree Ravi)

Little is known about the aggregate and distributional effects of Special Economic Zones (SEZs) in developing countries. We investigate the influence of Indian SEZs by exploiting spatial variations in the timing of zonal operations. Using satellite and survey data, we establish that SEZs boosted economic activity within areas several times the size of the zones. The zones also drove a structural change in the local economy with resources shifting away from the informal sector and the formal sector growing in size and productivity. This growth, however, differently benefits workers at the higher end of the income and skill distributions.

Gender Roles and Immigrant Women: Does Culture Matter More within Intramarriage?

This paper examines the differential impact of gender roles on the labor supply of immigrant women in the US by marriage types: inter- and intra-marriage. Using survey responses on gender roles from their source countries as cultural proxies, I find that a woman's labor supply is jointly negatively explained by her own and her husband's gender role attitudes. In addition, the effect of intramarriage is significantly more negative for traditional women at the extensive and intensive margins when the endogenous formation of marriage is instrumented by geographically constrained marriage market conditions. I argue that this indicates a greater relevance of culture within intramarriage and present evidence that rules out the case where differential assimilation by marriage type is the sole reason behind the asymmetry.

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