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Education

Hankuk Academy of Foreign Studies *Yongin, South Korea*

Expected Graduation: January, 2027

GPA: 4.96/5.00 (weighted)

Standardized Test Scores: SAT: 1570 / Toefl iBT: 111 / APs: Calc BC (5), Lang (5), World (5), Euro (5), US Gov (5)

Other: Ithaca High School (9th grade), Daewon Foreign Language of High School (10th grade)

Research

First Author, *How Social Media Fuels Populism and Strategies for Counteraction*

- Published, as a forthcoming issue, in the International Journal of High School Research, a recognized peer reviewed journal
- Designed and conducted experiments on algorithmic echo chambers, misinformation susceptibility, and populist rhetoric in digital media.
- Developed policy recommendations on algorithmic transparency, platform regulation, and media literacy.

First Author, *A Historical Analysis on the Landscape of Korean Education*

- Conducted research on how education was influenced by Korean Confucian culture and contemporary history, including the Japanese colonial period, the Korean War and its aftermath, and rapid democratization and market liberalization

Contributor, *Where and Why Do the Timorese Migrate? A Gravity Approach and Reference to South Korea*

- Published in Nakhara: Journal of Environmental Design and Planning (NJEDP), acknowledged as a main contributor
- Empirically examined a field survey of migrant workers from East Timor in South Korea and found that Korea's Employment Policy System (EPS), not physical distance, plays a key role in determining the migrant flows, confirming Acemoglu, Johnson, and Robinson's Institution Hypothesis
- Was invited to present in the 8th Asian Conference on Business and Economic Studies in Hanoi, Vietnam

Extracurricular Activities & Leadership

Jinjigwan (Cooking for Charity) *Yongin, South Korea*

Head Chef, Co-President, and Co-Founder *Aug. 2025 – Present*

- Signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Save the Children and donated a total of \$6k+ to children with learning disabilities
- Raised \$4K+ by selling homebaked goods such as cookies, brownies, and cakes, and drinks
- Listed on the Yongin Lifelong Learning Center Human Network Talent Donation Portal
- Featured in national media (Veritas-Alpha, Korea Disabled News for Save the Children partnership)

Model United Nations *Seoul and Yongin, South Korea*

President; Co-Founder/Secretary-General, *Mar. 2024 – Present*

- President of UNITED (Daewon Foreign Language High School Model United Nations Club)
- Co-founded MUN Without Borders, an international Model UN initiative connecting students across Vietnam, Thailand, China, and other countries through online conferences
- Designed and led a community outreach program teaching MUN skills to local children through partnerships with public libraries, culminating in a youth MUN conference; reached 100+ Yongin children
- Chaired and organized various conferences including MUN4Charity, MIMUN, SYMUN, DLMUN
- Awarded at Korea Univ. MUN, Sogang Univ. MUN, UN Association of Rochester, Hilton MUN, etc.

BEACON (Daewon Foreign Language High School Newspaper) Seoul, South Korea

President and Editor-in-Chief, Mar. 2024 – Mar. 2025

- Directed biannual publication and managed/edited 50+ members' reports
- Wrote 10,000+ words on policy/philosophy including on topics such as child welfare, crime & justice, epistemology, AI ethics, Jus ad bellum, categorical imperative, lexicographical ordering, and domination
- Published with Korea Youth Press Corps

Gifted Class of Hankuk University of Foreign Studies Yongin, South Korea

Mentor, Mar. 2025 – Present

- Taught French, philosophical thought experiments, WSDC debate & IR to 10-15/class, including topics such as The Trolley problem, Beetle in the Box, The Chinese Room, and optimistic nihilism
- Taught 100+ in 2 summer camps; led student classes for 15 hours/day

Gangnam Lifelong Education Center for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities Seoul, South Korea

Teaching Assistant, Jan. 2025 – Present

- Assisted with lifelong education classes for adults with developmental disabilities
- Provided one-on-one academic and activity support tailored to individual cognitive and communication needs
- Was the only high school volunteer ever

Experience

Korea Federation of Disability Organizations (KOFDO) Seoul, South Korea

Accessibility Policy Research Intern Mar. 2026 – Present

- Conducted comparative research on domestic and international airline reservation systems to inform accessibility policy recommendations for Korea Federation of Disability Organizations (KOFDO)
- Compiled and organized web resources (URL archive) to support the launch of a new digital archiving initiative
- Curated and analyzed media coverage and press contacts using AI-assisted research tools for KOFDO's 2026 annual report, verifying accuracy of AI-generated content
- Supported event logistics and documentation for organizational programs, including a mid-term progress review and a disability advocacy forum filming

Graduate School of International Studies (GSIS) at Ewha Womans University Seoul, South Korea

Independent Researcher and Research Assistant Jan. 2024 – Dec. 2024

- Learned applied quantitative migration analysis, including gravity models, institutional economics, and labor migration theory, and learned statistical analysis using STATA, including data cleaning, regression analysis, and interpretation of empirical results
- Assisted the research on Timorese labor migration to South Korea by conducting and analyzing field survey data from migrant workers and empirically evaluated South Korea's Employment Permit System (EPS)

Awards & Honors

- Semifinalist/Top 3 (64 teams, 200+ participants), Cornell International Summer Debate Camp, Aug. 2023
- Daewon Foreign Language High School Model Student Award, Dec. 2024
- Grand Prize, Think-Tank Ultimatum (HAFS Research Competition), Dec. 2025
- Best Screenplay Award, 25th Yangsan National Youth Theater Festival (writer/sound engineer), Aug. 2025
- 2nd, International History Bowl (IHBB) Korea Varsity; Captain, Nov. 2025
- 2nd, National History Day Korea; Group Website Division, Mar. 2026
- Honorable Mention (Top 4), Korean Philosophy Olympiad (KPO), Mar. 2026
- Semifinalist, National Merit Scholarship, May. 2026
- 2nd, SAGE Korea, selected to represent Korea at SAGE Global, May. 2026
- AP Scholar with Distinction, Jul. 2026