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EDUCATION

Princeton University | Princeton, NJ, USA
Ph.D. East Asian Studies (September 2019 – Present)

Tufts University | Medford, MA, USA
B.A. Philosophy and International Literary and Visual Studies (September 2014 – February 2019)
Summa Cum Laude, Highest Thesis Honors
Honors thesis: “Embodied or Displaced: The Disposition of Queer Sexualities in North Korean and Japanese Colonial Ideology”

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Seoul National U. Kyujanggak Institute for Korean Studies | Seoul, Korea (July 2019)
The 13th Korean Studies Summer Workshop & the 7th Hanmun Workshop

IPAK.Centar: Research Center for Cultures, Politics and Identities | Belgrade, Serbia (August 2018)
Summer School for Sexualities, Cultures, and Politics 2018

Seoul National University | Seoul, Korea (June – July 2018)
Summer Session: “History of Korean Philosophy” and “Understanding Buddhist Philosophy”
Medium of instruction: Korean

Beijing Normal University Philosophy Summer School | Beijing, China (July 2016)
Seminar: A Journey into Chinese Thoughts and Modern Civilization

RESEARCH

“Embodied or Displaced: The Disposition of Queer Sexualities in North Korean and Japanese Colonial Ideology” (May 2017 – December 2018)
Advisor: Dr. Lee Edelman, Fletcher Professor of English Literature and Dr. Charles Inouye

CONFERENCE PRESENTATION

“Solving Contradictions in Yulgok Yi I’s *A Letter on Life, Death, and Ghosts* [死生鬼神策] (tentative title).” *2020 North American Korean Philosophy Association Annual Conference*. Sogang University. Seoul, South Korea. June 2020 [expected]. **Due to COVID-19, the conference is postponed.**

Updates to follow

“Queers in North Korea and Beyond.” *The 29th Annual Columbia Graduate Student Conference on East Asia*. Columbia University in the City of New York. New York, New York. February 2020.

“Queers in North Korea: Queer Sexuality and Temporalities of Juche Ideology.” IPAK Centar: Summer School for Sexualities, Cultures and Politics 2018. Belgrade, Serbia, August 2018.

“Queers in North Korea.” *Queer Studies Conference: Prisons, Borders, and Pipelines*. UNC Asheville, Asheville, North Carolina, April 2018.

“Embodied or Displaced: The Disposition of Queers in Juche Ideology.” *이/반/들: Trans, Diaspora & Dissident Identity*. SOAS University of London, London, United Kingdom, December 2017.

“Embodied or Displaced: The Disposition of Queers in Juche Ideology.” *Summer Scholars Poster Presentation*. Tufts University, Medford, Massachusetts, October 2017.

AWARDS AND HONORS

The International Literary and Visual Studies Prize (Spring 2019)

Dean’s List (All semesters except Fall 2014)

Winner of The Zed Books and Queer Asia Writing Competition (August 2017)

RESEARCH INTEREST

East Asian philosophy (neo-Confucianism), political ideology in Korea, gender and queer theory, phenomenology, early- and mid-twentieth-century Korean literature and visual media

RELEVANT ACTIVITIES

Founder / Editor-in-Chief | *Nabillera: Contemporary Korean Literature* (February 2017 - present)

Translator / Proofreader | *Humans of Seoul* (December 2015 - June 2019)

Translator | *ILDA: South Korean Feminist Journal* (January 2017 - January 2018)

Translator | *AhnTranslation* (November 2015 - January 2018)

PUBLICATIONS AND WORKS

Translator - Kim Hyun's *Glory Hole*
Seagull Books | London, United Kingdom (Expected Summer 2021)

Translator - Byun Yeongro's "Non-gae"
for Bucheon UNESCO City of Literature's Official use | Bucheon, South Korea (March 2018)

Translator - Kim Myeong-sun's "In the Glass Coffin"
Language and Literature for the IB MYP 2 | London, United Kingdom (February 2018)

Translator - *Time to Read Poems*
Time to Read Poems, documentary | Seoul, South Korea (October 6, 2016)

LANGUAGES

Korean: Native

Japanese: Advanced

Chinese (Mandarin): Intermediate

Chinese (Classical): Reading proficiency