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CONTACT INFORMATION

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EMPLOYMENT

2024-	Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science and International Relations, University of Southern California
2023-2024	Postdoctoral Research Associate, Center for the Study of Democratic Politics (CSDP), Princeton University

EDUCATION

2023	Ph.D. in Politics, New York University Committee: Sanford Gordon (chair), Catherine Hafer, Hye Young You
2016	M.A. in International Relations, Seoul National University
2013	B.A. in Political Science and International Relations, Seoul National University with <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>

Publications

2025	Lee, Kyuwon, Simone Paci, Jeongmin Park, Hye Young You and Sylvan Zheng. "Applications of GPT in Political Science Research." <i>PS: Political Science and Politics</i> .
2025	Lee, Kyuwon. "Electoral Turnover and Government Efficiency: Evidence from Federal Procurement." <i>The Journal of Politics</i> , 87(2), pp. 572–587.
2023	Lee, Kyuwon and Hye Young You. "Bureaucratic Revolving Doors and Interest Group Participation in Policymaking." <i>The Journal of Politics</i> , 85(2), pp. 701-717.
	- Winner of the Founders Best Paper Award Honoring Bert Rockman in the President and Executive Politics Section at 2021 APSA
2016	Lee, Kyuwon and Jong Hee Park. "Does Economic Dependence on China Affect African Countries' Human Rights Voting in the UN? Evidence from UNGA Voting Data, 1992-2014." <i>New Asia</i> , Vol. 23, No. 3, pp. 71-102.

WORKING PAPERS

2025	Lee, Kyuwon and Felipe Balcazar. "Bureaucratic Performance and Support for International Integration: Evidence from the Trade Adjustments Assistance." (<i>Revise and Resubmit</i>)
2025	Lee, Kyuwon and Luca Bellodi. "The Executive Unbound: Politicized Bureaucracy and Targeting under DOGE." (<i>Under Review</i>)
2025	Lee, Kyuwon and Soohyun Cho and Hye Young You. "Who Gets Protection From Protectionism? Evidence from the Buy American Act." (<i>Under Review</i>)
2025	Lee, Kyuwon. "Leveling the Playing Field: Bureaucratic Revolving Doors for the Marginalized."

Invited Talks

2024-2025 USC PIPE Collaborative Workshop, UC San Diego American Politics Workshop

Conference Presentations

2026	Stanford Presidency & Executive Politics Conference (PEPCON), MPSA
2025	USC CIS Conference on Bureaucracies in IR, MPSA, Princeton Niehaus Center
	Global Value Chain Workshop, Copenhagen Business School Money in Politics
	Conference, EPSA, APSA, IPES
2024	MPSA, APSA, Copenhagen Business School Money in Politics Conference, IPES,
	SoCal PIPE (UCLA)
2023	MPSA, APSA, Copenhagen Business School Money in Politics Conference
2022	EPSA, APSA, NEWEPS-19 Yale
2021	MPSA, APSA
2020	Money in Politics Pre-APSA Conference, Stanford GSB
2016	The 3rd Asian Political Methodology

TEACHING

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POSC 311 (Undergraduate)	Political Analysis
POSC 439 (Undergraduate)	Conflict, Cooperation and Policy in Government Agencies
POIR 613 (Graduate)	Topics in Quantitative Analysis: Causal Inference
Awards	
Founders Bounders Bounders Bounders	est Paper Award in the President and Executive Politics Section, APSA
2022 Teaching Ex	xcellence Award, New York University Department of Politics
2021 Virginia Gra	ay Graduate Research Award, APSA Political Organizations and Parties
Section (\$25	50)

GRANTS

2025	USC CIS Faculty Research Grant (\$10,000)
2025	USC POIR Bartling Fund (\$1,500)
2025	Intensive Grant Development Workshop, USC Office of Research and Innovation (\$15,000)

2025	CIS Conference Grant, University of Southern California (\$15,000)
2024	USC POIR Bartling Fund (\$1,500)
2024-2025	CIS Graduate Research Assistant Grant, University of Southern California
2022-2023	Dean's Dissertation Fellowship, GSAS New York University (\$30,238)
2021	Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation Fellowship (\$5,000)
2017-2022	NYU MacCracken Fellowship
2014	Graduate Research Scholarship, Korean Student Aid Foundation (KOSAF)
2011-2012	Undergraduate Student Scholarship, Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies (KFAS)
2009-2012	Samsung Scholarship for Junior Frontier Leader, 2009-2012

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Disciplinary Service

Journal Referee: American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, The Journal of Politics

SKILLS

Languages: English, Korean

Software: R, LATEX, Stata, Python, Mathematica

References

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