

# Kyung Gu Lee

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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- Comparative Political Economy
- International Political Economy
- Political Economy of Institutions
- East Asian Politics (Korean Peninsula, Japan, Taiwan)

## EDUCATION

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- **Seoul National University** 2021 - 2023  
*M.A., International Relations* Seoul, South Korea
- **Seoul National University** 2017-2021  
*B.A., Political Science and International Relations, B.A., Economics(with honors, Summa Cum Laude)* Seoul, South Korea
- **George Washington University** Jan 2020 - May 2020  
*Exchange student* Washington DC

## EMPLOYMENT

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- **Korea Military Academy** June 2023 – September 2025  
*Lecturer, Army Lieutenant* Seoul, South Korea
- **Korea Military Academy** October 2025 – May 2026  
*Assistant Professor (non-tenure track), Army Lieutenant* Seoul, South Korea

## PUBLICATIONS

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Kyung Gu Lee, Hwajun Lee, Hooryang Lee. (2025). **From Nation to State: Topic Model Analysis and Network Centrality Analysis of Nationalistic Discourse in the Rodong Sinmun**. *North Korean Studies Review*, Vol. 29, Issue 1, pp. 45–78. (In Korean)

Kyung Gu Lee. (2026). **The Mountain Is Moving, but Where To? Japan's 2025 Upper House Election and the Future of Japanese Politics**. *Pacific Affairs*, Vol.99, Issue 1, pp. 102-117.

Kyung Gu Lee. (2026). **Strategic Oversupply: Non-majority seeking Parties and Contamination Effects in Japan's Mixed-Member Majoritarian Elections**. *Japanese Journal of Political Science*, forthcoming.

## WORKING PAPERS

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Core or Swing? The Strategic Allocation of Subsidies in Japanese Electoral Politics (Paper presented at 2025 IPSA)

## TEACHING

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- **North Korean Studies:** Fall 2023, Spring 2024, Fall 2024, Spring 2025, Fall 2025, Spring 2026
- **Theories of National Security:** Fall 2023, Spring 2025
- **Understanding Political Economy:** Spring 2024, Fall 2024
- **International Political Economy and Development:** Fall 2024, Fall 2025, Spring 2026
- **Constitution and Democratic Citizenship:** Fall 2024, Fall 2025

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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- **Excellence in Teaching Awards** November 2024  
*Korea Military Academy*
- **KNDA Academic Paper Award** December 2021  
*Korea National Diplomatic Academy*
  - "Asymmetrical Interdependence and Implication for Korea's soft Power"(Coauthored with Yerin Boo and Hangsung Lim)
- **Global Leadership Award** February 2021  
*SNU Department of Political Science and International Relations*
  - Awarded to one graduate from an IR major who actively pursued their research as part of the undergraduate seminar and produce an outstanding work
- **Mancheong Award for Best Undergraduate Thesis** February 2021  
*SNU International Relations Major*
  - "East Asian Politics of the cold war and the birth of the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan(Josen Soren)"
- **Army Chief of Staff Prize(1st Place)** September 2020  
*19th Hwarangdae Collegiate Forum on National Security*

## GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIP

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- **SNUIJS Graduate Student Field Trip Grant** 2022  
*Seoul National University Institute for Japanese Studies*
- **Yongwoon Scholarship for Graduate Students** 2021-2023  
*Yongwoon Foundation*
- **Merit-Based Scholarship** 2017-2021  
*Seoul National University*

## EXPERIENCE

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- **Project Assistant** 2021-2022  
*Seoul National University PSIR 10-10 Project*
- **President, managing officer** 2017-2021  
*SNU Foundation of Intercultural Cooperation by Students(Jointly with UTokyo)*
- **Vice President, academic coordinator** 2017-2021  
*SNU Student Association of Korean Peninsula Affairs*

## CONFERENCES

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- Korean Association of International Studies 2023
- International Political Science Association 2025

## PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

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**Languages:** Korean (native), English (fluent), Japanese (advanced)

**Programming:** R, Stata, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

## SERVICE

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**Reviewer for:** Japanese Journal of Political Science