

INTERESTS	Modern History of Medicine; Traditional Korean Medicine Social and Cultural History Global Cold War History; Health Insurance Digital Humanities; Computational Methods
EDUCATION	Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, MD <i>Ph.D. Student, History of Medicine</i> Aug. 2023–Present (Advisor: Lan Li)
	Hanyang University Seoul, Korea <i>M.A. in Korean History</i> Sep. 2019–Aug. 2021
	Hanyang University Seoul, Korea <i>B.A. in History, Summa Cum Laude</i> Sep. 2013–Aug. 2019
PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES	<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Jeon, Yemok and Young-jeon Shin, “Health Security Ideas of Major Political Groups and the U.S. Military Government during the Liberation Period (1945–1948) in Korea,” <i>Korean Journal of Medical History</i>, 31, no. 1 (April 2022): 221–262 (in Korean). [PDF]o “The Process of ‘Biological Warfare’ Allegation and Behind-the-Scenes Accounts during the Korean War,” <i>Military History</i>, 120 (2021): 1–42 (in Korean). [PDF]
OTHER PUBLICATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">o “What Can the Korean War Teach Us About Bringing COVID-19 Vaccines to North Korea?,” <i>Wilson Center Blog Post</i>, June 3, 2022. [Link]o Research and Industry Development Foundation of Hanyang University, <i>A Study on the Historical Origins and Changes of Public Health in Korea</i>, Wonju: National Health Insurance Service, 2021 (in Korean). [Detail]o Shin, Youn-jeon, Il-yeong Jeong, Tae-hyun Kim, Jeon, Yemok, Jan-di Kim, <i>A Study on the Modern History of Health Security in Korea</i>, Wonju: National Health Insurance Service, 2020 (in Korean). [Detail]
FELLOWSHIPS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Hugh Hawkins Research Fellowship, Johns Hopkins University (\$3,500), 2025o MSH-CMHSM Summer Research Fellowship, Johns Hopkins University (\$2,000); accepted to the JHU–Fiocruz Summer School in Medicine, Technology, and Environment (Rio de Janeiro, July 22–August 1, 2025), 2025o BLAST Courses in the Humanities, Johns Hopkins University (\$2,500), stipend for designing and teaching a summer course, 2025o Collection of Unestablished 20th-Century Korean Studies Records, Ministry of Education of Korea (\$20,000), 2024–2025o Studying Abroad Scholarship, Hanyang University (\$11,800), 2023o Korea Foundation Global Challengers (Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, D.C.), Korea Foundation (\$14,028), 2021–2022o Fellowship for the Youth of Korean Studies, Pony Chung Foundation, 2020o National Humanities and Social Science Undergraduate Student Scholarship, Korea Student Aid Foundation (\$37,102), 2017–2021

- o Scholarship for Future Humanities, Ministry of Education (\$13,021), 2017–2018
- o Samsung Dream Class Scholarship, Samsung Welfare Foundation (\$2,150), 2017
- o Media Scholarship, Hanyang University, 2014
- o Academic Excellence Scholarship, Hanyang University, 2013, 2014, 2017, 2018

GRANTS

- o Asia Library Travel Grant, University of Michigan (\$1,000), 2025
- o Korea Studies Graduate Student Travel Grant, Korea Foundation and Association for Asian Studies (\$500), 2025
- o East Asian Studies Training and Research Grant, Johns Hopkins University (\$2,000), 2024
- o Travel Grant, American Association for the History of Medicine (AAHM), 2022

HONORS & AWARDS

- o Graduate Student Association (GSA) Student Spotlight Award Recipient, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, 2025
- o **Hugh Hawkins Research Fellow**, June 2025–May 2026
- o Runner-up Prize, Hanyang Review Competition, Hanyang University, 2021
- o Graduation Excellence Award, Hanyang University, 2019
- o Prize, Book Review Competition, Chinese Economy and Trade Program at Hanyang University, 2018
- o Third Prize, Book Review Competition, Chinese Economy and Trade Program at Hanyang University, 2017
- o Model Social Service Agent Award, Military Manpower Administration, 2016
- o Best Learning Mate Award, Hanyang University, 2015
- o Dean’s List, Hanyang University, 2013, 2014, 2017, 2018
- o Best Essay Award (First Prize), Hanyang University, 2013

CONFERENCES

- o “Fragile ‘Heroes’ and Benevolent Control: How U.S. Aid Shaped Heroic Narratives and Silenced Korean Doctors’ Voices, 1945–1950s,” Presenter, MSH-CMHSM Research Fellows Symposium, Baltimore, MD, October 24, 2025.
- o “Insects on Ice: Disease Uncertainty and Local Knowledge in Germ Warfare Narratives of the Korean War (1950–1953),” Presenter, Spring 2025 Colloquia, Johns Hopkins Programs in the Science, Medicine and Technology, Baltimore, MD, April 24, 2025.
- o “Patient or Martyr of Imperialism: Uncertainty of Disease and ‘Germ Warfare’ During the Korean War (1950–1953),” Panel Organizer and Presenter, Annual Conference of the Association for Asian Studies, Columbus, OH, March 13–16, 2025. [\[Program\]](#)
- o “Going Beyond the ‘Fathers’ of National Health Insurance,” Presenter, 4th Korean Studies Young Scholars Graduate Student Conference, James Joo-Jin Kim Center for Korean Studies, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, March 1–2, 2024.
- o “Awkward Debut in the International Community: North Korea’s Anti-American Propaganda Driven by ‘Biological Warfare’ During the Korean War,” Presenter, 11th World Congress of Korean Studies, October 19–21, 2022.
- o “War during the War: Public Health Campaigns Driven by ‘Biological Warfare’ in North Korea during the Korean War,” Presenter, 95th Annual Meeting of the American Association for the History of Medicine (AAHM), Saratoga Springs, NY, April 21–24, 2022. [\[Abstract\]](#)

- o “Changes in the Infectious Disease System in North Korea Caused by the Korean War,” Presenter, Academy of Critical Health Policy, June 4, 2021 (in Korean).
- o “North Korea’s Mobilization and Diplomatic Strategies through the Accusation of Using Biological Weapons against the U.S. during the Korean War,” Presenter, Research Institute of Korean Studies (RIKS), December 14–18, 2020 (in Korean). [\[Detail\]](#)
- o “The Debate on the Health Security System of Major Political Groups during the American Military Government Period,” Poster presentation, Autumn Conference of the Korean Society for Preventive Medicine, October 15–16, 2020 (in Korean).

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars Washington, D.C.
Korea Foundation Junior Scholar [\[PROFILE\]](#) Oct. 2021–Apr. 2022

- Published a policy-focused historical analysis on North Korea’s COVID-19 vaccine refusal
- Organized and made a presentation on international relations between the U.S. and Korea
- Conducted archival research at Washington, D.C. and Cambridge, MA for my individual research

Institute for Health and Society at Hanyang Medical School Seoul, Korea
Research Assistant Apr. 2020–Present

- Led an individual project on the allegation of biological warfare in Korean War and won grants and an opportunity to make a presentation
- Directed project on debate on health care system during U.S. military government period and gave poster presentation on the same topic and consequently published paper
- Compiled the list of public hospitals in post-colonial South Korea and elicited its historical meaning as a part of research report of the project initiated by National Health Insurance Service of Korea, Jul. 2021–Jan. 2022.
- Led the research project on history of post-colonial South Korea’s health insurance supported by the National Health Insurance Service of Korea and worked on a book based on a research report of the project, Jun. 2020–Dec. 2020.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Herbs, Acupuncture, and Moxibustion: Living Histories of Medicine in Asia July. 2025–August. 2025
 Instructor, Johns Hopkins University

- Instructed a course introducing foundational concepts and practical approaches to medicine in Asia, reaching 2,357 students globally.
- Trained through a three-month Teaching Academy program provided by Johns Hopkins University
- Designed a five-week asynchronous online summer course for a public audience.

History of Modern Medicine Baltimore, MD
Teaching Assistant, Johns Hopkins University Jan. 2024–May. 2025

- Led a discussion section primarily composed of pre-med students.

History of Medicine: Antiquity to the Scientific Revolution Baltimore, MD
Teaching Assistant, Johns Hopkins University August. 2023–Dec. 2024

- Led a discussion section primarily composed of pre-med students.

Seoul Baekje Museum Seoul, Korea
Instructor Feb. 2020–Jun. 2021

- Led around 20 children and their parents weekly and taught them Korean history about ancient Korean historical sites
- Appeared in an educational video adapted from historical facts as an actor and wrote a script for the video [\[VIDEO\]](#)

PUBLIC HISTORY

Department of History at Hanyang University	Seoul, Korea
<i>Teaching Assistant</i>	Sep. 2019–Aug. 2021
• Assisted undergraduates in the class, the Media and History of Gender from the transnational perspective	
Samsung Dream Class	Seongnam-si, Korea
<i>Instructor</i>	Mar. 2017–Aug. 2017
• Led an English class twice a week, totaling 72 hours, with around 10 underprivileged middle school students, supported by Samsung Welfare Foundation	
Historiography Committee of Bucheon-si	Bucheon-si, Korea
<i>Committee Member</i>	Oct. 2022–Present
• Became co-author of a book and wrote the local history of public health in Bucheon-si [LINK]	
National Institute of Korean History	Gwacheon-si, Korea
<i>Researcher</i>	Sep. 2022–Dec. 2022
• Compiled primary sources of local history (e.g., Busan, Jecheon, Gokseong, etc.) in Korea, which were collected from local people and institutes such as community centers	
• Established and updated the databases of (1) documents produced by the Far Eastern Commission about the Imperial Japanese army's war crimes (e.g. Record Group 43, 59) and (2) captured documents of North Korea during the Korean War (RG 242), which are housed at the National Archives at College Park, Maryland	
The Korean Studies Institute	Andong-si, Korea
<i>Assistant</i>	Jul. 2022–Present
• Publicized local Confucian scholars' books and documents which were produced during the Chosŏn dynasty by adapting those historical materials for hip-hop music and audiobooks as a part of public history	
Watching History by Newspaper	2021
<i>Advisor</i>	
• Suggested topics of the TV show broadcasted by CNTV and supervised the contents not to be ahistorical [VIDEO]	

Historical Court	2020
<i>Guest</i>	
• Appeared four times on a TV show, broadcasted by CNTV, as a guest to explain Korean history [VIDEO]	

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Coala Univ	Seoul, Korea
<i>Leader</i>	Sep. 2019–Jan. 2020
• Learned Web Data Crawling and Machine learning through Python and made a presentation as a result of a Hackathon by leading eight students	
Office of Assemblymen of California State Legislature	Los Angeles, California
• Visiting Student	Jan. 2018–Feb. 2018
• Translated documents from English to Korean and addressed civil appeals by Korean Americans at the 53rd Assembly District office of Miguel Santiago	
Shanghai Jiao Tong University	Shanghai, China
<i>Visiting Student</i>	July. 2014–Aug. 2014
• Took Chinese language and thereby improving Chinese proficiency	
Hanyang University Newspaper	Seoul, Korea
<i>Journalist and Editor in Chief</i>	Mar. 2013–Dec. 2015
• Edited and published a newspaper weekly and led weekly meeting for it	

ACADEMIC SERVICE	School of Medicine Graduate Student Association <i>Alternate Program Representative, Johns Hopkins University</i>	Baltimore, MD Aug. 2025–May 2026
	• Served as an alternate liaison between program students and the GSA Executive Board.	
	Institute of the History of Medicine <i>Student Representative, Johns Hopkins University</i>	Baltimore, MD Aug. 2024–May 2025
	• Suggested students' concerns and ideas by attending the monthly faculty meeting and organized student events.	
COMMUNITY SERVICE	World Vision International <i>Volunteer Translator</i>	Seoul, Korea Mar. 2016–Jan. 2017
	• Translated letters 475 times between Korean sponsors and oversea children supported by the sponsors, amounting to 133 hours	
	Community Child Care Center <i>Volunteer Instructor</i>	Changwon-si, Korea Mar. 2016–Dec. 2016
	• Taught underprivileged children English and consulted them about their academic and daily issues 58 times, amounting to 87 hours	
	Korean Red Cross <i>Blood Donor</i>	Seoul, Korea Jun. 2008–Present
	• Donated blood 56 times from 2008 to now and received Silver and Gold Achievement Medal	
ARCHIVAL RESEARCH	October 2021–April 2022 (6 months) Harvard-Yenching Library Library of Congress National Archives UN Archive	Cambridge, Massachusetts Washington, D.C. College Park, Maryland New York City, New York
	December 2020–August 2021 (9 months) National Archives of Korea National Institute of Korean History National Library	Seongnam-si, Korea Gwacheon-si, Korea Seoul, Korea
MEMBERSHIP	American Association for the History of Medicine <i>Member</i>	2022–present
	Korean Society for the History of Medicine <i>Member</i>	2021–present
LANGUAGES	Korean (Native), Chinese (Fluent), Classical Chinese (Reading knowledge), Japanese (Reading knowledge)	
COMPUTING	Programming: Python, R Software: L ^A T _E X	
REFERENCES	Professor Lan Li, Ph.D. Department of History of Medicine, Johns Hopkins University, MD, lanli@jhu.edu	
	Professor Julia Cummiskey, Ph.D. Department of History of Medicine, Johns Hopkins University, MD, jcummis1@jh.edu	
	Professor Jin-A Kang, Ph.D. Department of History, Hanyang University, Korea, canton@hanyang.ac.kr	

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