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| <b>Research Interests</b>                   | International Relations; Civil-Military Relations, International Conflict; Foreign Policy Analysis   |
| <b>Education</b>                            | <p><b>Ph.D., Political Science</b> <span style="float: right;">Aug 2024 – Present</span><br/>Department of Political Science<br/>University at Buffalo, SUNY</p> <p><b>M.A., Political Science</b> <span style="float: right;">2022</span><br/>Department of Political Science and Diplomacy<br/>Sungkyunkwan University, Seoul, South Korea<br/><i>Thesis: "Why did the United States invade Iraq?: Discourse Analysis On the Protestant Factors"</i><br/>Advisor: Taesuh Cha, Ph.D.</p> <p><b>B.P.S*, International Relations</b> <span style="float: right;">2019</span><br/>Department of International Relations<br/>Kyonggi University, Suwon, South Korea<br/><i>Minor in International Trade</i></p> |
| <b>Working Papers</b>                       | <p><i>"To be or not to be – North Korea's Restrained Retaliation Game-Theoretic Model of Rubbish Balloon"</i></p> <p><i>"Pro Patria et America?"</i></p>   |
| <b>Peer-Reviewed Publications</b>           | In preparation.  |
| <b>Presentations &amp; Invited Lectures</b> | Lee, Sang Hun. 2026. "To be or not to be – North Korea's Restrained Retaliation Game-Theoretic Model of Rubbish Balloon." International Studies Association 2026 Annual Convention, Columbus, OH.  |
| <b>Honors &amp; Awards</b>                  | Graduate School Scholarship <span style="float: right;">Aug 2024 – Present</span><br>University at Buffalo, SUNY   |

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|----------------------------------|---|---------------------|
|                                  | <b>Graduate Merit Scholarship</b><br>Sungkyunkwan University  | Sep 2019 – Aug 2021 |
|                                  | <b>Academic Excellence Scholarship (Type C, 30% of tuition)</b><br>Kyonggi University                                     | Mar 2017            |
|                                  | <b>Academic Excellence Scholarship (Type C, 30% of tuition)</b><br>Kyonggi University                                     | Mar 2016            |
|                                  | <b>Academic Excellence Scholarship (Type A, Full tuition)</b><br>Kyonggi University                                       | Mar 2015            |
|                                  | <b>Academic Excellence Scholarship (Type A, Full tuition)</b><br>Kyonggi University                                       | Sep 2014            |
| <b>Professional Affiliations</b> | <b>Researcher</b><br>Sungkyun Institute for Global Strategy (SIGS)<br>Seoul, South Korea                                  | May 2024 – Apr 2025 |
|                                  | <b>Visiting Researcher</b><br>Sungkyun Institute for Global Strategy (SIGS)<br>Seoul, South Korea                         | Apr 2023 – Apr 2024 |
| <b>Languages</b>                 | <b>Korean:</b> Native<br><b>English:</b> Advanced<br><b>Japanese:</b> Intermediate<br><b>Mandarin Chinese:</b> Elementary |                     |
| <b>Skills</b>                    | <b>Statistical Software:</b> STATA  |                     |