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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2016- Assistant Professor (School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University)
Faculty Affiliate (Department of Government, Georgetown University)
- 2013-2016 Postdoctoral Prize Fellow in Economics, History, and Politics
(Center for History and Economics, Harvard University)

EDUCATION

- 2013 Ph.D., Political Science, University of Chicago
2007 M.A., Political Science, University of Chicago
2004 B.A., Political Science, Korea University

BOOKS

- 2020 *Empires of Vice: The Rise of Opium Prohibition across Southeast Asia*. Princeton University Press, Histories of Economic Life series
- In Progress *Their Lives: The Transnational Politics and History of Untouchability*
- In Progress *Colonial Legacies and Japan's Wartime Empire in Southeast Asia* (under advance contract with Cambridge University Press, Series on Elements in Politics and Society in Southeast Asia).

JOURNAL ARTICLES

- “Borders Fortification and Smuggling.” (with Yuhki Tajima). *Revise & Resubmit*
- 2015 “Standoffish States: Nonliterate Leviathans in Southeast Asia.” (with Dan Slater) *Trans-Regional and National Studies of Southeast Asia*, Vol. 3, No. 1, pp. 25-44
- 2012 “The Story of the Tattooed Lady: Scandal and the Colonial State in British Burma.” *Law and Social Inquiry*, Vol. 37, No. 4, pp. 969-990

BOOK CHAPTERS

- 2019 “The Periphery’s Order: Opium and Moral Wreckage in British Burma” pp. 108-127 in *Empire and the Social Sciences: Global Histories of Knowledge*, ed. Jeremy Adelman. Bloomsbury UK.
- 2018 “A ‘Surreptitious Introduction’: Opium Smuggling and Colonial State Formation in Late 19th Century Bengal and Burma” pp. 233-252 in *The Legitimacy of Power: New Perspectives on the History of Political Economy*, eds. Sophus Reinert and Robert Fredona Palgrave Macmillan.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 2020 “The Sticky Problem of Opium Revenue.” *Biblio.Asia*, 17 (Oct-Dec)
- 2020 “From Vice to Crime.” *Aeon Magazine*, July 9.
- 2020 “Empires of Vice.” *The Ambassador’s Brief*, May 23.
- 2020 “Review of China’s War on Smuggling: Law, Economic Life, and the Making of the Modern State, 1842-1965.” *Law and History Review*, 38(2): 507-09.
- 2020 “Review of Opium’s Long Shadow: From Asian Revolt to Global Drug Control by Steffan Rimner.” *Journal of Asian Studies*, 79(1): 263-64.
- 2019 “Review of Against the Grain: A Deep History of the Earliest States by James C. Scott.” *Governance*, 32(2): 390-92.
- 2017 Navigating Multiple Archives across Southeast Asia.” *American Political Science Association-Comparative Democratization Newsletter*, 15(3): 16-19.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“The Politics of Untouchability.” Working Paper

“A Problem of Abundance: Archival Research using Digitized Sources (for Political Scientists).” Working Paper

“Domestic Origins of Transnational Problems: Evidence from Southeast Asia’s Illicit Drug Economies.” Working Paper

AWARDS AND GRANTS

External

- 2020 Silvers Grant for Work-in-Progress, Robert B. Silvers Foundation/New York Review of Books
- 2020 U.S. – Korea NextGen Scholars, CSIS Korea Chair and USC Korean Studies, 2020-21
- 2018 Research Grant, New Economic History of South and Southeast Asia Project, Harvard University
- 2017 Finalist, Social Science Research Council Junior Fellowship, Inter-Asian Contexts
- 2015 Summer Research Affiliate, Center for Khmer Studies, Cambodia

- 2014 Multi-Country Research Grant, Council of American Overseas Research Centers
(Archival Research in Cambodia, France, Vietnam)
- 2013 Young Southeast Asia Fellow, Southeast Asia Research Group
- 2012 Charles and Louise Tilly Award for Best Graduate Student Paper in Social Science
History, Social Science History Association
- 2011 Graduate Student Award for Best Journal-length Paper in the Field of Socio-legal
Studies, Law and Social Inquiry and American Bar Foundation
- 2009 Lewis and Clark Travel Grant, American Philosophical Society
(Archival and Ethnographic Research in Sop Ruak, Thailand)

Internal

- 2018 Summer Research Grant, School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University
- 2011 Research Grant, Committee on International Relations, University of Chicago
- 2011 Dissertation Write-up Grant, Committee on Southern Asian Studies, University of
Chicago
- 2010 Travel Grant, Nicholson Center for British Studies, University of Chicago
(Archival Research at the British Library, London UK)
- 2008 Provost Summer Studies Grant, University of Chicago
(Ethnographic Research in Bangkok and Chiang Mai, Thailand)

PRESENTATIONS

2020-2021

Institute for Qualitative and Multi-method Research, Online Panel on Fieldwork under
COVID Constraints, July 2020; Author-meets-Critics panel on *Empires of Vice*, American
Political Science Association Annual Conference, September 2020

(Scheduled) “The Politics of Untouchability,” University of Pittsburgh, Department of
Political Science, Seminar Series on Historical Political Economy, November 6, 2020;
University of Toronto, Labor and Humanities Seminar, January 26, 2021; POMEPS-PASR
Workshop, February 25-26, 2021

(Scheduled) “Empires of Vice,” University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, Center for Southeast
Asian Studies, Friday Lecture Series, February 19, 2021

*Presentations cancelled due to COVID-19: Association for Asian Studies Annual
Conference, March 2020; International Studies Association Annual Conference, March 2020;
Social Science History Association Annual Conference, November 2020

- 2019-2020 (Book Talks on *Empires of Vice*) Seoul National University, Department of
International Relations, July 2019; Hong Kong University Law School, October 2019;
Princeton University, Qualitative Research Colloquium, December 2019; Harvard University,
February 2020; University of Toronto, Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy,
February 2020; Columbia University, February 2020; University of Texas-Austin,
Comparative Politics Workshop, March 2020; University of Hawai’i-Manoa and East-West
Center, March 2020 (postponed due to COVID-19); Northern Illinois University, April 3
(postponed due to COVID-19)

2018-2019 Yale University, Politics and History Workshop, May 2019. Barnard College, Conference on Criminal Governance, Barnard College, February 2018; American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston MA, March 2018

2017-2018 Georgetown University, Political Economy Seminar, October 2017; Institute of Historical Research, Comparative Histories of Asia Seminar, March 2018

2016-2017 International Burma Studies Conference, October 2016; American Political Science Association Annual Conference, August 2017.

SERVICE

External

- American Political Science Association, International History and Politics Section, Executive Committee (2020-2022)
- Southeast Asia Research Group, Junior Fellows Selection Committee
- Midwest Political Sciences Association Annual Conference (2018), Politics of Developing Countries, Section Chair
- Reviewer: *Comparatives Studies in Society and History*, *International Studies Review*, *Journal of Burma Studies*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Governance*, *Perspectives in Politics*, *Journal of Asian Studies*, *Studies in Comparative International Development*, *Law and History Review*

Internal

- Undergraduate Studies Coordinator, Asian Studies Program, 2018-
- Co-Organizer, Comparative Politics Speaker Series, 2018-

MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association
Association for Asian Studies
Social Science History Association
Southeast Asia Research Group

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

State Formation, Political Economy, Colonialism and Empire
Asian Politics, Southeast Asian History, 19th and early 20th century British and French Empires
Comparative and Historical Analysis, Interpretive and Qualitative Methods, Archival Research

LANGUAGES

English and Korean (fluent), French (proficient), Japanese (reading)