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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2016- Assistant Professor (School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University)  
Faculty Affiliate (Department of Government, Georgetown University)

\*On leave (2021-2022) at Institute for Advanced Study (School of Historical Studies)

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.

- 2021 Giovanni Sartori Book Award, Co-winner (American Political Science Association, Qualitative and Mixed-Methods Research Section)

Under Contract *Colonial Legacies and Japan's Wartime Empire*. Cambridge University Press, CUP-Elements in Politics and Society in Southeast Asia Series.

ARTICLES AND 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 19<sup>th</sup> 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
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
2013. "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

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

- Their Lives: The Transnational Politics and History of Untouchability*. Book Manuscript-in-Progress
- "Borders Fortification and Smuggling" (with Yuhki Tajima)
- "The Seduction of Comparisons: Untouchability beyond Caste in Africa, Asia, and the Middle East"  
Accepted at *POMEPS Studies*
- "The 'Evil Spectators': Opium and Empire's Stakeholders in 20<sup>th</sup> Century Southeast Asia" Under review
- "Taming Abundance: Doing Digital Archival Research (as Political Scientists)" Under review
- "The Politics of Untouchability." Under review
- "The Ones Who Disappeared: War, Empire, and Untouchability in Korea" Working Paper

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 2021 "The Pandemic and Southeast Asia's Illicit Drug Economies." Word on the Street Blog, Urban Violence Research Network
- 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

## SELECTED AWARDS AND GRANTS

- 2021 Korea Studies Research Grant, Northeast Asia Council, Association for Asian Studies  
2021 Giovanni Sartori Book Award (Co-Winner) APSA Qualitative and Mixed-Methods Research  
2021 Member, School of Historical Studies, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton (2021-2022)  
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  
2018 Summer Research Grant, School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University  
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)  
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)

## INVITED TALKS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

### 2020-2021

- Author-meets-Critics Book Panel, American Political Science Association Annual Conference, September 2020
  - Historical Political Economy Seminar, University of Pittsburgh, November 2020
  - Labor and Humanities Seminar, University of Toronto, January 2021
  - Lecture Series, Center for Southeast Asian Studies, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, February 2021
  - Racial Formations in the Middle East and Africa Workshop, POMEPS-PASR, February 2021
  - Law & Society in History Seminar, University of Cambridge, February 2021
  - Korean Studies Institute Working Paper Series, University of Southern California, April 2021
  - Books for a Better World Book Series, Georgetown University Press, April 2021
  - Edward Kremers Seminar on the History of Pharmacy and Drugs. American Institute of the History of Pharmacy, May 2021
- \*Presentations cancelled due to COVID-19: Social Science History Association Annual Conference, November 2020

### 2019-2020

- Book Talk, Department of International Relations, Seoul National University, July 2019
- Book Talk, Hong Kong University Law School, October 2019
- Qualitative Research Colloquium, Princeton University, December 2019
- History and Economics Seminar, Harvard University, February 2020
- Book Talk, Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy, University of Toronto, February 2020

- New Political Economies of the French Empire Workshop, Columbia University, February 2020
- Comparative Politics Workshop, University of Texas-Austin, March 2020  
\*Presentations cancelled due to COVID-19: University of Hawai'i-Manoa and East-West Center, March 2020; Northern Illinois University, April 2020

#### 2018-2019

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

#### 2017-2018

- Political Economy Seminar, Georgetown University, October 2017
- Comparative Histories of Asia Seminar, Institute of Historical Research, 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
- Institute for Qualitative and Multi-method Research (2021)
- Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference (2018), Politics of Developing Countries, Section Chair
- Reviewer: *Comparative Studies in Society and History*, *International Studies Review*, *International Organization*, *Journal of Burma Studies*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Governance*, *Perspectives in Politics*, *Journal of Asian Studies*, *Studies in Comparative International Development*, *Law and History Review*; *Modern Asian Studies*, *Historical Journal*, *Journal of Politics*

### 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

Women in Southeast Asian Social Sciences Network

TEACHING

Introduction to Transnational Problems  
Transnational Politics and History  
Colonial Legacies in Southeast Asia  
Illicit Economies in Asia  
COVID-19 and Transnational Problems in Asia  
Thesis Development Seminar

LANGUAGES

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