

***Forest of Leaders:
Talents and Impacts of UChicago's Korean International Students***

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Style Notes for Korean Names

In print, the order of names in Korean differs from that in English. In Korean, traditionally, family surnames appear first, followed by the given first names. In this exhibit, names are presented based on each individual's preferred spelling and order. When citing Korean-language publications, names are written according to the McCune–Reischauer Korean romanization system.

INTRODUCTION

For over a century, Korean students have traveled to the University of Chicago to study. During an era of hardships and political instability, unfortunately, many were unable to finish their courses of study.

In 1945, imperial Japanese occupation ended in Korea and, in 1950, the Korean War broke out. Political and societal disorder continued for years, and amidst upheaval, Chey Jong-hyon, founder and former Chairman of SK Group, traveled to the US and earned an MA in Economics from UChicago. After graduation, in 1961, he returned to Korea and contributed greatly to the growth of several commercial industries. Today, the late SK Chairman is widely recognized as an innovator who changed the course of Korea's economic development, and importantly, through his philanthropy, also enabled generations of Korean students to complete advanced degrees.

Based on his belief that young and talented individuals determine Korea's future, Chey Jong-hyon established the Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies (KFAS) to support the educational pursuits of Korea's top students. At present, KFAS has awarded over 4,000 scholarships, growing Chey Jong-hyon's hundred-year vision to cultivate a forest of leaders.

This exhibition, celebrating KFAS' 50th anniversary, follows the footprints left by talented Korean students at UChicago and highlights some of the lasting impacts they have made in various professional and academic fields.

ROCKY and 1ST NOVEL CASES

The Rocky (Urak'i)

The Korean Student Federation of North America published its official Korean-language periodical *The Rocky (Urak'i)* between 1925-1936. Interestingly, the magazine's editors selected the name for three reasons. Firstly, they felt it would best express the spirit of the Korean Student Federation by naming the publication after the Rocky Mountains, seen as the spine of the North American continent. Secondly, as a mountain range notorious for its many crags, the name expresses the difficult journey of Korean students in North America. And, finally, the name was a way for students to affirm their admiration for a spirit of purity, majesty, and endurance like that of the Rocky Mountains.

Color reproduction of cover of 1993 issue

Photo [reproduction]

The Rocky (Urak'i)

1933

Mujöng

The first modern Korean novel, *Mujöng* (1917) by Yi Kwang-su, concludes with protagonist couple Yi Hyöng-sik and Kim Sön-hyöng visiting Korea while they were studying overseas at the University of Chicago. Having endured the many hardships of living under Japanese colonial rule, these characters choose to travel to the United States to study in a more liberal and independent environment. In real life, so too did Korean students who began coming to the US to study at the University of Chicago over a hundred years ago.

Book PL990.9K9M856 1995 CJK (<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/4762280>)

Kwang-su Yi

Mujöng

Seoul: Ilsin Söjök Ch'ulp'ansa, 1995

PL990.9K9M856 1995 CJK

9 EARLY STUDENTS' CASES

Influential Seeds

Korean students have a long history of enrollment at the University of Chicago. Studying a range of subjects, they have prepared themselves for achievements in diverse careers. Many of the early study-abroad students came to the United States with assistance from North American missionaries and were influenced to major in theology and medicine. Students highlighted in this case represent a larger body of early Korean international students at UChicago and demonstrate their varied academic paths and careers.

HAKSOO KIM 김학수

BS Chemistry, 1928

Educational and Career Highlights

- President, The Korean Club, University of Chicago (1926)
- Treasurer, International Students' Association, University of Chicago (1926)
- Chairman of Department of Finance, Korean Student Federation of North America (1927-1928)
- BS Chemistry, University of Chicago (1928)
- MS Physiological Chemistry, Northwestern University (1930)
- Technician at Corn Products Refining Company, Pyongyang (1931)
- Head of Technology and Manufacturing at 日本穀産工業會社, a Japanese grain processing company
- Factory Head, Koryŏ Textile Company (1945)
- Ran for office in the National Assembly in Yŏngdŭngp'o

While studying in Chicago, Haksoo Kim devoted himself to his schoolwork and participated in many student activities. During his time at the University, he received Honors for Excellence in Chemistry while also serving in leadership positions in various student organizations. Haksoo Kim went on to serve as President of the Chicago Branch of the American Chemistry Society in 1929, where he also hosted lectures.

HARRY WHANG 황창하

BA Commerce, 1926

Educational and Career Highlights

- Studied at Hyde Park High School
- Member, International Student Association
- Member, Foreign Student Council

- Member, Korean Student Federation of North America
- Business Manager and Secretary, The Korean Student Federation of North America (1923-1924, 1925-1927)
- Founding member, Korean Club of the University of Chicago (1924)
- President, Korean Student League of Chicago (1924)
- Editorial Board and contributor, *The Rocky* (1924-1925)
- MA Education, Columbia University (1929)
- Secretary, Editor, *Korean Student Bulletin* (ca. 1929)
- Employed at Chase Bank National Bank of New York City (1929-1932)
- Founder, Collaborative Association of Korean Residents in New York (1930)
- Lecturer of the Far East and Japanese Languages, Selfridge Air National Guard Base (1943)
- Founder and President, Korean American Community of Metro Detroit (1965-1967)

Harry Whang participated in diverse forms of patriotic activism, including diplomatic activities, presenting written declarations at rallies, and sponsoring the Korean Independence Army. In 1930, Whang founded the Collaborative Association of Korean Residents in New York and helped pen the influential brochure “The Korean Manifesto Against the Japanese Invasion of Manchuria.” After relocating to Detroit, Whang traveled to Hawaii as part of a Korean diplomatic delegation alongside John Myeon Jang, the first Korean ambassador to the US.

HEI YUM CHO 조희업 (1885-1950)

PhD candidate, Theology and Sociology, 1924-1927

Educational and Career Highlights

- BA, Yonhi College
- BA Theology, Dalhousie University, Halifax (1914-1921)
- MA Theology, Knox College, Toronto (1921)
- Korean Representative, Pan-Pacific Conference (1925)
- President, Korean Students Federation of North America (1925-1927)
- Treasurer, President, International Students' Association, UChicago (1925-1926)
- Member, Korean Club, University of Chicago (1926)
- Foreign Student Representative, YMCA of Chicago (1926)
- Minister, Korean Church of Chicago (1926-1927)
- Instructor, Young Saeng Middle School (1927-?)
- Principal, Martha Wilson Bible Institute for Women, Hamhŭng (late 1930s)
- Missionary, Foreign Mission Board of the Presbyterian Church in Canada
- Secretary, President, Hamhŭng YMCA
- Cofounder, Chosun Theological Seminary (1938)
- Deputy Mayor of Wŏnsan (1945)
- Founding Minister, Nambu Church, Wŏnsan (ca. 1945-1950)

Hei Yum Cho enrolled at the University of Chicago in 1924, where he would participate actively in both student and ministry activities. Cho remained active as a theologian and minister but was unable to complete his PhD before leaving the US in 1927 to embark on missionary work in Korea, Europe, and Russia. His travels were serialized in the newspaper *Tonga Ilbo* and viewed as a thorn in the side of the Japanese Empire. As a result of his missionary work, Hei Yum Cho served prison time. Later, when the Korean War broke out in 1950, Cho was martyred by the North Korean People's Army.

KEITH C. SONG 송기주 (1900–ca. 1950)

Post-graduate studies in Geography, 1925-1929

Educational and Career Highlights

- BA, Yonhi College
- BS Biology, Texas State University (1924)
- Secretary, The Korean Club, University of Chicago (1926)
- Rand McNally & Co. publishing company (1926)
- Chairman of Publications for the Mid-Western Conference of the Korean Student Federation of North America (1929)
- Sports Commissioner, Chicago Student Union

In 1926, Keith C. Song developed the first practical Korean typewriter and in 1929, he remodeled the Underwood Portable Typewriter into a style of typewriter that operated on the principle of fast, continuous, horizontal writing. He returned to Korea in 1934 and launched a typewriter business. However, due to the typewriter's high price and the prohibition of Korean-language education under Japanese colonial rule, his business failed. Song's original typewriter is now kept at the National Hangeul Museum and is designated as both the oldest Korean typewriter and a nationally registered cultural asset. On September 17, 1950 Song was kidnapped by the North Korean People's Army and his whereabouts after his disappearance are unknown.

KWANG SUP YUM 영광섭 (1895-1981)

MA Religion and Philosophy, 1923

Thesis: *Baptism in the Letters of Paul*

PhD Psychology, 1930

Dissertation: *An Experimental Test of the Law of Assimilation*

Educational and Career Highlights

- Student, Meridian College (ca. 1914)
- BA, Asbury College (1919)

- BD, Emory University (1922)
- Korean Student Secretary of the Friendly Relations Committee (1923)
- President, Korean Student Federation of North America (1923-1925)
- Member, The Korean Club (1925-1926)
- Editorial Board, *The Rocky* (1931)
- Advisor to US Military Government in Korea (1946-1949)
- Consultant to Korean Ministry of Education (1947-1949)
- Chair of the Department of Psychology, Seoul National University (1947-1949)
- Lecturer, Soongsil University (1947-1949)

Soon after receiving his PhD, Kwang Sup Yum began working as the Head of UChicago's Psychology Library and in 1943, he became the first Korean to join the faculty of the University of Chicago, serving as a Psychiatric Research Associate. From 1947 to 1949, Kwang Sup Yum returned to Korea and continued his career in academia, lecturing in English on the mathematical principles of mental testing, and served as an advisor to the US Military Government in Korea.

MARIA KIM 김마리아 (1892-1944)

MA Sociology, ca. 1928

Educational and Career Highlights

- Instructor, Chung Sin Girls' School (1914)
- Tokyo Women's College (1915-1919)
- President, Friendship Society for Women Students Studying Abroad in Tokyo (1917)
- Participant, February 8th Declaration of Independence, March First Independence Movement (1919)
- Executive, Assembly Member, Shanghai Patriotic Women's Association (1919)
- Ginling College, Nanjing (ca. 1920)
- BA, Park College (1923-1925)
- Member, Social Service Club, University of Chicago (1927)
- Resolutions Committee Member, Korean Student Federation of North America (1927)
- Vice-Chairman, Korean Student Federation of North America (1928-1929)
- Vice President, Korean Student Federation of North America (1928-1929)
- MA Education Administration, Columbia University Graduate School of Education (1929)
- President, Korean Patriotic Women's Association in America (1930)
- BA Religious Education, Biblical Seminary, New York (1931)
- Published *Women's World*, Korea's first general interest women's magazine
- Instructor, Martha Wilson Memorial Women's Theological Training School
- Order of Merit for National Foundation Independence Medal (1962)

Maria Kim was a prominent figure in the community of Korean women students in Japan. In 1919 on her way back to Korea, she hid in her kimono a copy of the February 8th Declaration of Independence and, after arriving in Korea, participated in the March 1st Independence Movement. For these actions, she was imprisoned and tortured. Eventually released on sick

bail, Maria Kim endured health issues for the remainder of her life. After her release, an American missionary helped her to travel to the US to continue her education.

PHILIP K. CHOI 최경식 (1902-1932)

PhD candidate, Sociology, 1929-1932

Educational and Career Highlights

- BA Literature, Yonhi College (1924)
- MA Sociology, Northwestern University (1929)
- Member, Central Executive Committee of the Korean Students' Association
- Member, Chicago Korean Student League
- Cabinet member, International Students' Association (1929-1930)
- Secretary, Korean Student Federation of North America (1929-1931)
- Editor and contributor, *The Rocky*

In 1932, promising young student Philip K. Choi passed away from a heart attack at the age of 30 before completing his doctoral degree. His funeral was held at Bond Chapel and was the first memorial service for a Korean immigrant to Chicago. Minister and a former classmate Hongki Karl officiated at the service and later reminisced that the funeral represented a day in which all Koreans, regardless of factional belonging and cliques, gathered their strength together to honor a young man who passed away too soon in a foreign land.

SAE WOON CHANG 장세운 (1895-1985)

MS Mathematics, 1924

Thesis: *Determination of a Motion of a Certain Constrained Bar*

Educational and Career Highlights

- BA and first graduating class in Mathematics and Physics, Yonhi College
- Chief Editor, Korean Student Federation of North America (1923-1924)
- Editorial Board Member, *The Rocky* (1923-1925)
- Chairman of Board of Directors, Korean Student Federation of North America (1924-1926)
- Member, The Korean Club, UChicago (1925-1926)
- Delegate, International Student Conference, Milwaukee (1927)
- President, Korean Student Federation of North America (1927-1928)
- Minister, Korean Methodist Church (1928-1929)
- Delegate, Oriental Student Christian Conference, New York (1931)
- First Korean to earn a PhD in Mathematics, Northwestern University (1938)

- Executive Secretary of United Korean Committee (1942)
- Korean Language Lecturer at the Defense Language Institute in California

In addition to student activities and academic achievements, Sae Woon Chang distinguished himself in the Korean Methodist Church—Chicago’s first house of worship established for and by Koreans in 1919. At the time, the church served as a place of prayer and a meeting hall for Koreans and helped facilitate rallies for the Korean independence movement. In 1924, Sae Woon Chang was selected to join the church’s ministry. After earning his PhD, Sae Woon Chang relocated to California to serve as the Executive Secretary of the United Korean Committee in America before becoming a Korean Language Lecturer at the Defense Language Institute in Monterey.

TCHI CHANG YUN (T. C. YUN) 윤치창 (1899-1973)

MD Medicine, 1928

Educational and Career Highlights

- Graduated, with honors, Kyōngsong Higher Normal School (1916)
- Constitutional Revision Committee, Second Convention of the Korean Student Federation of North America (1924)
- Member, Secretary, and Treasurer, The Korean Club, University of Chicago (1925-1926)
- Manager, Namgye Yanghaeng Foreign Trading Store (1935-1939)
- Specialist Director of the Ministry of Finance (1945)
- Director, Bank of Chosen (1948-1949)
- First Ambassador to Britain from South Korea (1949-1951)
- Founder and Vice President, Korean American Association of Greater New York (1960)
- Chief Delegate, Goodwill Mission to the Middle East (1961)
- Ambassador to Turkey from South Korea (1961-1962)

Tchi Chang Yun (T.C. Yun), was admitted to University of Chicago-affiliated Rush Medical School in 1924. After graduation, he returned to Korea in 1929 and engaged in a variety of different professional activities in business, banking, public service, and diplomacy, including a role for the US Military Government in Korea. From 1935-1939, T.C. Yun operated the retail shop Namgye Foreign Trading Store. Following independence from Japanese colonial rule, he took on a wide range of international diplomatic leadership positions.

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The Cap and Gown
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Maria Kim (top row, center) and other members of the UChicago Social Service Club in *The Cap and Gown* student yearbook

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Photo [reproduction]
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Philip Choi's funeral at Bond Chapel

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Full-page advertisement for the Underwood Standard Portable Korean Typewriter invented by Keith C. Song

17 KFAS RECIPIENTS' CASES

UChicago Roots

In 1974, Chey Jong-hyon's 100-year vision to cultivate a forest of leaders led him to establish the Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies. KFAS and its scholarship programs provide talented Korean students the opportunities to study overseas and earn doctoral degrees that help them contribute to the global community after graduation in academia, government, business, and the private sector. Students in these cases represent some of the KFAS scholarship recipients who studied at UChicago and highlight their achievements and impacts.

JANG JIP CHOI 최장집

KFAS Fellowship 1st Term (1974)

PhD Political Science, 1983

Dissertation: *Interest Conflict and Political Control in South Korea: A Study of the Labor Unions in Manufacturing Industries, 1961-1980*

Career Experiences

- Professor, Political Science & International Relations, Korea University (1983-2008)
- President, Korean Political Research Association (1990-1991)
- Chairman, Presidential Commission on Policy Planning (1998-1999)
- Director, Asiatic Research Institute, Korea University (2000-2008)

Jang Jip Choi is a contemporary Korean political scientist who has actively pursued research on the reality and prospects of Korean democracy, focusing on labor and social economy. Embodied by the notion of "democracy after democratization," he has argued that in the post-democratization era, politics should take precedence over bifurcated struggles of good and evil. His main publications include *Theory of Korean Democracy* (1993), *Democratization of Democracy* (2006), and *Democracy After Democratization: The Korean Experience* (2012).

INCHUL KIM 김인철

KFAS Fellowship 2nd Term (1979)

PhD Economics, 1981

Dissertation: *A Partial Adjustment Approach to the Balance of Payments in Korea: Theory and Evidence*

Career Experiences

- Assistant Professor, Economics, University of Colorado (1981-1982)
- Senior Researcher at the Korea Development Institute (1982-1984)
- Adviser to the Minister of Finance, South Korea (1983-1986)
- Recipient, Chung-Ram Prize by the Korean Economic Association (1988)
- Professor, Economics, Sungkyunkwan University (1988-2013)
- Visiting Professor, American University (1997-1998)
- President, Korean Association of Futures and Options (2002-2003)
- President, Korean Association of Trade and Industry Studies (2002-2003)
- President, Korean Economic Association (2013-2014)
- Foreign Investment Ombudsman, KOTRA (2015-2018)

Inchul Kim is an economist whose research has focused mainly on the international economy, exchange rates, and management of a reasonable foreign exchange reserve. He has consistently emphasized the importance of active mutual exchange and policy cooperation. His main writings include *International Trade Economics* (2000), *Foreign Direct Investment and Korean Economic Policies* (2020), "Exchange Market Pressure in Korea: An Application of the Girton-Roper Monetary Model" (*Journal of Money, Credit and Banking*, 1985), and "A Game-Theoretic Approach to Derivation of President Barack Obama's North Korea Policy" (*North Korean Review*, 2010).

CHINSUNG CHUNG 정진성

KFAS Fellowship 1st Term (1978)

PhD Sociology, 1984

Dissertation: *Colonial Migration from Korea to Japan*

Career Experiences

- Assistant Professor, Sociology, Duksung Women's University (1985-1996)
- Professor of Sociology, Seoul National University (1996-2018)
- Member, UN Human Rights Council Advisory Committee (2008-2013)
- President, Korean Association of Women's Studies (2012)
- President, Korean Sociological Association (2012-2013)
- Director, Human Rights Center, Seoul National University (2012-2015)
- Presidential Order for Human Rights in Korea (2013)
- Samsung Happiness for Tomorrow Award for Women Leaders (2014)
- President, Korean Association on Human Rights Studies (2017-2018)
- Professor Emeritus of Sociology, Seoul National University (2018-present)
- Member, Vice President, UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (2018-present)
- President, KOICA Human Rights Management Committee (2019-present)

Chinsung Chung's research has focused on human rights and women, beginning in the 1990s with research on the Korean "comfort women." Chung has worked actively on human rights issues for women, including advocating for marriage rights for migrant women and publishing numerous books and research papers related to human rights and Korea-Japan relations, including *UN and Formation of Human Rights Norms* (2019) and "Comfort Women" in *The US Records on the Japanese Military*. Chung was the first Korean member elected to the UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

JISOON LEE 이지순

KFAS Fellowship 2nd Term (1979)

PhD Economics, 1984

Dissertation: *A Study of Dynamic Consumption and Labor Supply Under Uncertainty*

Career Experiences

- Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Brown University (1983-1985)
- Professor, Department of Economics, Seoul National University (1985-2015)
- President, Korean Econometric Society (2002-2003)
- President, Korean Money & Finance Association (2006-2007)
- President, Korean Economic Association (2015-2016)
- Professor Emeritus, Seoul National University (2015-present)
- Member & Civilian Chairman, Presidential Committee on Green Growth (2011-2017)
- Member, National Academy of Sciences, Korea (2014-present)

Jisoon Lee began his academic career specializing in theoretical macroeconomics/monetary theory. In the last 20 years, he has been searching for answers to such questions as: Why are some nations rich, but others poor? Why do some nations grow over time, while others remain stagnant or deteriorate? How has Korea achieved such remarkable progress in the last 60 years? His ideas are clearly delineated in his books, *The Rise and Fall of Nations' Economies* (2018) and *The Economics of Human Liberation* (2021).

YOUNG WON HA 하영원

KFAS Fellowship 3rd Term (1980)

PhD Business, 1987

Dissertation: *Consumer Learning as a Hypothesis-Testing Process*

Career Experiences

- Assistant Professor, Marketing, Rutgers Graduate School of Management (1986-1988)
- Professor, Business School, Sogang University (1989-2020)
- President, Korean Society of Consumer Studies (2002-2004)
- President, Korean Marketing Association (2007-2008)
- Outside Director, SK Networks (2018-present)

Young Won Ha is a scholar of consumer behavior who has applied psychological approaches using decision theory to understand the thought processes of consumers. He has authored numerous publications, notably *The Psychology of Decision Making* (2012). In 2014, he received the Korean Business Award for Scholarly Contribution and the Award for Outstanding Book in Business and Economy from the Chung Jinki Memorial Cultural Foundation, and in 2013 he received the Mid-Level Business Scholar Award from the Samsung Economic Research Institute.

HYUG BAEG IM 임혁백

KFAS Fellowship 2nd Term (1979)

PhD Political Science, 1989

Dissertation: *Politics of Transition: Democratic Transition from Authoritarian Rule in South Korea*

Career Experiences

- Assistant Professor, Political Science & International Relations, Ewha Womans University (1991-1998)
- Member, Presidential Commission on Policy Planning (1998)
- Professor, Political Science & International Relations, Korea University (1998-2017)
- Director, Peace & Democracy Institute (2008)

Hyug Baeg Im is a leading authority of democratic theory whose research in comparative political science and political economics has addressed such topics as the American political system. He has published extensively. His main writings include *Simultaneity of Non-Simultaneous* (2014), *Democratization and Democracy in South Korea: 1960-Present* (2014), and *Development and Crisis of Democracy* (2021).

YONG-HAK KIM 김용학

KFAS Fellowship 5th Term (1982)

PhD Sociology, 1986

Dissertation: *Resource Mobilization and Deployment in the National Policy Domains: Linking Structure and Action Using Mathematical Models*

Career Experiences

- Associate Editor of *American Journal of Society* (1984-1985)
- International Consulting Editor of *American Journal of Sociology* (1987-1997)
- Professor, Sociology, Yonsei University (1987-2020)
- Visiting Professor, Sociology, University of Chicago (1994)
- Member, Presidential Consultation Policy Planning Committee (1996-1997)
- Member, Board of Directors of Samsung Life Insurance's Public Welfare Foundation (2015-present)
- 18th President, Yonsei University (2016-2020)
- Chairman of Board of Directors, SK Telecom (2020-present)

Yong-Hak Kim is a scholar of social science methodologies and social organization whose research and teaching first introduced social network analysis to Korea. His main publications include *Comparative Sociology* (2000), *Social Network Analysis* (2003), *Social Network Theory* (2011), and *Networking Across Boundaries* (2022). He received a Gallup Korea Award for an outstanding research paper (2006), a National Academy of Sciences Award (2004), the Republic of Korea Outstanding Academic Books Award for his monograph *Social Network Analysis* (2011), and a Yonsei University Academic Award (1994).

SOYOUNG SUH 서소영

KFAS Fellowship 6th Term (1983)

PhD Psychology, 1989

Dissertation: *Causal Inferences During Text Comprehension*

Career Experiences

- Post-doctoral fellowship, Linden Oaks Hospital (2017-2018)
- Clinical Psychologist, Susan Myket, PhD & Associates (2019-2023)
- Clinical Psychologist, Naperville Aurora Counseling Center (2023-present)

Dr. Soyoung Suh is a licensed clinical psychologist specializing in anxiety, depression, mood dysregulation, and personality disorders in adolescents and adults. After UChicago, she worked as researcher, faculty member, and consultant before deciding to pursue a second doctoral degree in Clinical Psychology from Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science. During the program, Suh worked as clinical therapist at Linden Oaks Hospital. She has also held positions at a community mental health center, a veteran's hospital, and psychiatric hospitals.

DAE-IL KIM 김대일

KFAS Fellowship 7th Term (1984)

PhD Economics, 1992

Dissertation: *Industry Wage Differences: The Unobserved Human Capital Hypothesis*

Career Experiences

- Assistant Professor, Economics, Rice University (1992-1996)
- Researcher, Korea Development Institute (1996-1998)
- Professor, Economics, Seoul National University (1998-present)
- Recipient, Bae Mooki Award for Academic Excellence (2006, 2008, and 2013)
- Recipient, Presidential Order, 3rd Class of the Order of Service Merit (2016)
- President, Korean Labor Economic Association (2018)

Dae-il Kim conducts research on labor economics and analyzes issues on wage equilibrium and employment, education, labor-related legislation, and low birth rates. His research has provided policy implications for improvement of efficiency and equity in the labor market and human capital investment. His main publications include *The Effect of Economic Opening on the Korean Labor Market* (2004) and *Labor Market and Employment Policy in the Aging Era II* (2004).

SEOKMIN SHIN 신석민

KFAS Fellowship 13th Term (1990)

PhD Chemistry, 1992

Dissertation: *Theoretical Studies of the Structure and Phase Transitions of Liquid Supported Monolayers*

Career Experiences

- Postdoctoral Fellow, James Franck Institute, University of Chicago (1992-1994)
- Postdoctoral Fellow, University of California, Santa Barbara (1994-1995)
- Professor of Chemistry, Seoul National University (1995-present)
- Recipient, Korean Chemical Society's Physical Chemistry Division Award for Young Researchers (2003)
- Chairman, Department of Chemistry, Seoul National University (2013-2018)
- Recipient, Korean Chemical Society's Physical Chemistry Division Award (2014)
- Dean of Academic Affairs, Seoul National University (2019-2020)
- Director, Brain Korea 21 Chemistry and Molecular Engineering Division (2020-present)
- President, Korean Chemical Society (2022-2023)

Seokmin Shin studies the dynamical processes involved in the chemical changes leading to specific functions of molecular systems. He investigates quantum dynamics in chemical reactions, self-assembly at surfaces/interfaces, and protein dynamics by computer simulations. He is also interested in applications of quantum computing and AI for chemistry. His main publications include *The Chemistry of Life, the Chemistry of Living* (2023), *Thermodynamics* (2021), and *Physical Chemistry: Quanta, Matter, and Change* (2018).

HYEOK JEONG 정혁

KFAS Fellowship 16th Term (1993)

PhD Economics, 2000

Dissertation: *Sources of Kuznet Dynamics in Thailand*

Career Experiences

- Recipient, Finance of South Korea and the Alumni President's Award (1991)
- Assistant Professor, Economics, University of Southern California (2000-2007)
- Visiting Assistant Professor, Economics Department & Population Research Center, University of Chicago (2003)
- Visiting Scholar, Economics Department & Population Research Center, UCLA (2005)
- Visiting Scholar, Institute of Empirical Macroeconomics of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (2007)
- Associate Professor, Economics, Vanderbilt University (2007-2010)
- Associate Professor, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (2010-2011)
- Associate Professor, KDI School of Public Policy and Management, Korea (2011-2015)
- Commendation from the Minister of Strategy (2012)
- Director, Development Research Division, KDI Center for International Development, Korea (2013-2015)
- Professor, Graduate School of International Studies, Seoul National University (2015-present)
- Director, International Studies Library, Seoul National University (2020-present)

Professor Jeong's recent research agenda includes Korean development experience, North Korean economy, demographic transition, science and technology innovations, smart city urban development, macroeconomic dynamics of land and housing, firm dynamics and international trade, higher education reform, and international development cooperation issues. Dedicated to public service, Jeong consults with the Korean government and public agencies in Korea and around the globe. His notable publications include *Human Capital and Development: Lessons and Insights from Korea's Transformation* (2018) and "The Price of Experience in *American Economic Review*, Sources of TFP Growth."

SOOJIN V. YI 이수진

KFAS Fellowship 17th Term (1994)

PhD Ecology and Evolution, 2000

Dissertation: *Molecular Variation and the Evolution of Newly Developing Sex Chromosomes of Drosophila miranda*

Career Experiences

- Professor, Biological Science, Georgia Institute of Technology (2004-2021)
- Fellow, Alfred Sloan (2006-2008)
- Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of Science (2020)
- Professor, Ecology, Evolution, and Marine Biology, University of California, Santa Barbara (2021-present)

Soojin V. Yi researches ecology and evolution, genetics and evolution, marine biology, and zoology. Yi's scholarship has covered genetics and epigenomics in a diverse range of life forms, focusing on analysis of the mutual relationship between genomes and phenotypes. Some of her notable research includes "Molecular features driving cellular complexity of human brain evolution" (*Nature*, 2023) and "Cell-type specific epigenetic links to schizophrenia risk in the brain" (*Genome Biology*, 2019).

SEUNG MO CHOI 최승모

KFAS Fellowship 25th Term (2002)

PhD Economics, 2008

Dissertation: *Sources of Growth and Sources of Knowledge*

Career Experiences

- Research Assistant, Korea Fixed Income Research Institute (2001-2002)
- Lecturer, Economics, University of Chicago (2005-2008)
- Assistant Professor, Economics, Washington State University (2008-2012)
- Economist, European Department, International Monetary Fund (2012-2018)
- Senior Economist, African Department, International Monetary Fund (2018-2022)
- Deputy Division Chief, Statistics Department, International Monetary Fund (2022-present)

Seung Mo Choi is a macroeconomist, currently researching the application of Big Data and data science for economic analysis. Choi has worked on regional and country-level issues in Europe and Africa and lectured on policy issues to officials from the central banks and ministries of finance of International Monetary Fund member countries. After uploading a series of self-made comics known as "Economics Cartoons" to Facebook, Choi became a leading figure in efforts to popularize economics and inform the public of

the importance of economics education. His notable research papers included “How Large are Learning Externalities?” (*International Economic Review*, 2011).

DIANA S. KIM 김영화

KFAS Fellowship 28th Term (2005)

PhD Political Science, 2013

Dissertation: *Empire's Penal Turn: The Rise of Opium Prohibition in Mainland Southeast Asia, 1870-1935*

Career Experiences

- Postdoctoral Prize Fellow, Economics, History, and Politics, Center for History and Economics, Harvard University (2013-2016)
- Associate Professor, Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University (2016-present)

Diana S. Kim is a political science scholar whose research focuses on the politics and history of markets in Southeast Asia and East Asia. In particular, she is interested in the regulation of vice, illicit economies, theories of crime and disorder, formation of nation-states, and legacies of empire and colonialism. Her first book, *Empires of Vice: The Rise of Opium Prohibition Across Southeast Asia* (2020) received the 2021 Giovanni Sartori Book Award. She is also the recipient of Georgetown University's Distinguished Achievement in Research Award (2022).

SEUNG UK JANG 장승욱

KFAS Fellowship 37th Term (2014)

PhD Mathematics, 2023

Dissertation: *Hyperkähler Kummer Rigidity and the Vieta Involutions on Tropical Markov Cubics*

Career Experience

- CNRS post-doctoral researcher in IRMAR, Université de Rennes I

Seung Uk Jang's research interests include dynamical systems, especially those in algebraic and complex dynamics.

JONGYOON BAIK 백종윤

KFAS Fellowship 39th Term (2016)

PhD Political Science, 2023

Dissertation: *Politics of the Administrative Litigation System in China*

Career Experiences

- Awardee, Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, American Political Science Association (2021)
- Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for the Study of Contemporary China, University of Pennsylvania (2023-2024)
- Assistant Professor, Chinese Hong Kong University (2024-present)

Jongyoon Baik is a researcher of comparative political science, Chinese politics, media control, and authoritarianism. Based on her dissertation research, Baik went on to create the Administrative Lawsuits Database, the most complete collection of court cases in China available at present. Her recent publications include “Speaking Up: Why People Dare to Sue the Government in China” (*Journal of Law and Society*).

JOSHUA HYUNG JOON BYUN 변형준

KFAS Fellowship 40th Term (2017)

PhD Political Science, 2022

Dissertation: *Unruly Friends: Grand Strategy and Strategic Incoherence in Military Alliances*

Career Experiences

- Hans J. Morgenthau Fellow, Notre Dame International Security Center (2021-2022)
- Postdoctoral Fellow, Perry World House Global Innovation Program, University of Pennsylvania (2022-2023)
- Assistant Professor, Political Science, Boston College (2023 – present)

Joshua Hyung Joon Byun’s research interests include international relations theory, grand strategy, alliance politics, US foreign policy, and Cold War history. His recent works include “More than a Number: Aging Leaders in International Politics” (*International Studies Quarterly*, 2023), and “Punishment and Politicization in the International Human Rights Regime” (*American Political Science Review*, 2022).

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Diana S. Kim

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8 CURRENT STUDENTS' CASES

New Leaves

UChicago has long been a top academic destination for Korean international students. SK and KFAS founder Chey Jong-hyon and his son, current SK chairman, Chey Tae-won both studied at the university, and today, with generous ongoing support from KFAS, talented Korean students continue to enroll at UChicago in many fields of study. The students in this case represent the diverse research interests of some of the current UChicago Fellowship cohort members pursuing PhDs.

ALEX GUNWOO KIM 김건우

KFAS Fellowship 45th Term (2022)
PhD student, Business

Research Interest: Disclosure, Information Processing, Large Language Models, Artificial Intelligence

Education

- MS Accounting, Seoul National University (2022)
- BBA Business Administration and Economics, Seoul National University (2019)

HONG JIN JO 조흥진

KFAS Fellowship 39th Term (2016)
PhD candidate Sociology, 2024 (expected)

Dissertation: *Local Motivations, Global Trajectories: The Rise and Fall of Korean International Students in American Higher Education, 1945-2020*

Research Interest: Social Inequality, Sociology of Education, Global and Transnational Sociology, International Migration, Historical Sociology, Social Change, Gender and Sexuality, Mixed Methods, Global South

Education

- BA Economics, Seoul National University (2010)
- MA Sociology, Seoul National University (2012)

- MA Sociology, University of Chicago (2018)

JIN GOO KWON 권진구

KFAS Fellowship 42nd Term (2019)
PhD student, Economics

Research Interest: Behavioral Finance, Asset Pricing, Belief Formation, Disagreement

Education

- BA Economics, Korea University (2018)
- BS Financial Engineering, Korea University (2018)

KISEOK LEE 이기석

KFAS Fellowship 43rd Term (2020)
PhD student, Ecology and Evolution

Research Interest: Microbial ecology, Microbiome, Microbiome Engineering, Functional Robustness

Education

- BA Economy, Seoul National University (2018)
- BS Biological Science, Seoul National University (2018)

SO HEE KIM 김소희

KFAS Fellowship 43rd Term (2020)
PhD student, Chemistry

Research Interest: Total Synthesis, Harziane Diterpenoid, Organic Synthesis, Drug Design

Education

- BS Chemistry, Korea Advanced Institute of Science & Technology (2020)

SUH KYUNG LEE 이서경

KFAS Fellowship 45th Term (2022)
PhD student, Social Welfare

Research Interest: Work-family Policy, Precarious Employment, Economic and Caregiving Strategies of Low-income Families, Poverty and Inequality, Child and Family Wellbeing

Education

- BA Social Welfare, Seoul National University (2020)
- MA Nordic Welfare, Halmstad University (2021)

YOONHAENG HUR 허윤행

KFAS Fellowship 42nd Term (2019)
PhD student, Statistics

Research Interest: Optimization-based Inference, Robust Matching Theory, Learning under Distribution Shifts, Matching-based Inference

Education

- BA Economics, Seoul National University (2019)
- BS Mathematical Sciences, Seoul National University (2019)

YOUNG JAE PAK 박영재

KFAS Fellowship 45th Term (2022)
PhD student, Political Science

Research Interest: Comparative Law, Dispute Resolution, International Law, International Organizations

Education

- BA International Studies and Political Science, Korea University (2017)
- MA Political Science, Korea University (2020)
- MA International Relations, University of Chicago (2021)

3 UCHICAGO PROFESSORS' CASE

Cross-Pollination

Every UChicago student can benefit from the Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies' support of higher education of talented Korean international students. KFAS' impact extends beyond individual recipients and improves the academic opportunities for many. Shown in this case are KFAS recipients who studied at other US universities and share, or have shared, their expertise in UChicago classrooms.

IN-KOO CHO 조인구

KFAS Fellowship 4th Term (1981)

PhD Economics, Princeton University, 1986

Dissertation: *Refinement of Sequential Equilibrium: Theory and Application*

Career Experiences

- Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, Economics, University of Chicago (1986-1995)
- William S. Kinkead Professor of Economics, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign (1998-2019)
- Asa Griggs Chandler Professor, Department of Economics, Emory University (2020-present)

In-Koo Cho is a leading authority on game theory whose research has contributed to the development of theoretical economics. His essays from 1987, "Signaling Games and Stable Equilibria" (co-authored with David M. Kreps, *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*) and "A Refinement of Sequential Equilibria" (*Econometrica*), opened new horizons in the study of game balance and have become the foundations upon which subsequent researchers have continued advancing the concept of balance in sequential games and signaling games. Additionally, in 2002, In-Koo Cho became the first Korean economist to be selected as a Fellow of the Econometric Society.

JIWOONG PARK 박지웅

KFAS Fellowship 21st Term (1998)

PhD Physics, University of California-Berkeley, 2003

Dissertation: *Electron Transport in Single Molecule Transistors*

Career Experiences

- Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry and Chemical Biology, Cornell University (2006-2012)

- Associate Professor, Department of Chemistry and Chemical Biology, Cornell University (2012-2016)
- Professor, Pritzker School of Molecular Engineering and Department of Chemistry, University of Chicago (2016-present)
- Associate Editor, *Nano Letters* (2017-present)

Jiwoong Park's research focuses on the science and technology of nanomaterials. The primary goals of his research are to construct atomically thin, integrated circuitry and to develop cutting-edge technologies, such as high-efficiency solar cells, through exploration of the electrical and optical properties of low-dimensional nanostructures. Park serves as the Associate Editor of *Nano Letters*, an academic journal devoted to the study of nanoscience and technology. In 2008, he received the National Science Foundation CAREER Award and was awarded the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers in 2009.

MINA LEE 이민아

KFAS Fellowship 40th Term (2017)

PhD Computer Science, Stanford University, 2023

Dissertation: *Designing and Evaluating Language Models for Human Interaction*

Career Experiences

- Postdoctoral Researcher, Computational Social Science, Microsoft Research (2023-2024)
- Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science, University of Chicago (from 2024)

Mina Lee is a postdoctoral researcher in Microsoft Research's Computational Social Science Group and an incoming 2024 assistant professor in Computer Science at UChicago. Her research goal is to design and evaluate language models to enhance productivity and creativity and understand how these models change the way people write. She has built various writing assistants, including an autocomplete system, a contextual thesaurus system, and a creative story writing system, as well as evaluated language models based on their ability to interact with humans and augment human capabilities. In 2022, Mina was named as one of *MIT Technology Review's* Korean Innovators under 35.

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Photo [reproduction]

January 13, 2010

Official White House Photo by Lawrence Jackson

Jiwoong Park (third row from top, seventh person from the right) and other recipients of the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE) at the White House

3. Photo [reproduction]

Cover of Mina Lee's 2017 book *Now I'll Let You Know [About] Graduate School in the US*

ANDO CASE SECTION: FOUNDING CHAIRMAN CHEY JONG-HYON

Chey Jong-hyon (1929-1998)

Born in Suwŏn, Kyŏnggi Province in 1929, Chey Jong-hyon was a talented scholar. He graduated from Suwŏn Agriculture and Forestry High School and, in 1950, began college in the Department of Agricultural Chemistry at Seoul National University before traveling to the US in 1954 to complete his studies. At the University of Wisconsin-Madison, he earned a BS in Chemistry before entering the University of Chicago, where he received an MA in Economics. These formative study-abroad experiences prepared Chey Jong-hyon academically and he became a leading economist equipped with robust theoretical knowledge.

With the passing of his father in 1962, Chey Jong-hyon returned to Korea and was appointed Vice President of Sunkyong Textiles. He assumed a management role and applied a vertical integration model to the production of petrochemicals, film, thread, and fiber, Chey Jong-hyon set forth an ambitious goal of turning Sunkyong into a world-class energy and chemical company. Though many dismissed this goal as an impossible dream, he succeeded and Sunkyong acquired competitors such as Yugong in 1980 and the Korea Mobile Telecommunications Corporation in 1994. In doing so, he secured SK Group's two great axes: energy and chemicals, and mobile telecommunications.

Internally, Chey Jong-hyon astutely managed the company and, in 1978, established SK Group's Sunkyong Management System (SKMS) – widely considered to be the most systematic model of business management of any Korean company at the time. Building on SKMS, in the 1990s, he outlined his SUPEX management techniques that aimed to generate results and profits by first setting forth "Super Excellent" goals and then helping employees realize their capabilities to achieve those aims.

Social Influence

The SUPEX management model was philosophically representative of Chey Jong-hyon's own belief in human growth and potential to positively influence society. He believed that individuals of talent would determine Korea's future and, in 1974, he established the Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies (KFAS) with an ambitious hundred-year goal to "build a world class nation, world class citizens, and an industrial society founded on intellectual excellence" by cultivating global scholars. KFAS administers overseas scholarships that provide talented Korean students with unconditional financial support and pre-matriculation orientation. To date, KFAS has supported 4,261 scholarship students, including 861 PhD students, and KFAS alumni contribute to many parts of society, from academics and finance to law, medicine, and the media.

(Information to use in the timeline panel)

MA Economics, 1961

MA Thesis: *A Review on Non-Agricultural Income of the Farm Population in the United States*

- Department of Agricultural Chemistry, Seoul National University (1950)
- BS in Chemistry, University of Wisconsin–Madison (1956)
- MA in Economics, University of Chicago (1961)
- Vice President, Sunkyong Textiles (1962)
- CEO and President, Sunkyong Textiles (1970-1973)
- Chairman, Sunkyong Group (1973)
- Chairman, Suwon Chamber of Commerce and Industry (1973-1987)
- Establishment of Korean Foundation for Advanced Studies (1974)
- CEO, Korean Foundation for Advanced Studies (1977-1998)
- CEO and Chairman, Sunkyong (1978)
- CEO and President, Yugong (1980-1984)
- CEO and Chairman, Yugong (1984)
- Chairman, The Federation of Korean Industries (1993-1995, 1997-1998)
- International Executive of the Year Award, Academy of International Business (AIB), (1995)
- CEO and Chairman, SKC (1997)
- CEO and Chairman, SK Engineering & Construction (1998)

List of awards Chey Jong-hyon earned

- Prime Minister Award (1971)
- Silver Tower Order of Industrial Service Merit (1972)
- Gold Tower Order of Industrial Service Merit (1973, 1997)
- CEO of the Year Award (1980)
- International Executive of the Year Award, Academy of International Business (AIB), (1995)
- Order of Civil Merit, Mugunghwa Medal (1998)
- New Millenium Entrepreneurship Award (2001)

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Photo [reproduction]

Chey Jong-hyon

University of Chicago Photographic Archive, apf1-13801

Photo Grouping

Alumni Medal

The University of Chicago awards its Alumni Medal to distinguished alumni who have made exceptional lifetime career achievements. Chey Jong-hyon received the Alumni Medal in 1995.

Photo

1995

On loan from SK SUPLEX Council

Chey Jong-hyon entering Rockefeller Chapel for the medal ceremony

Photos

1995

On loan from SK SUPEX Council

UChicago President Hugo Sonnenschein awarding the Alumni Medal to Chey Jong-hyon

Photo

1995

On loan from SK SUPEX Council

Chey Jong-hyon delivering a commemorative address at the medal ceremony

Photo [reproduction]

ca. 1960

Despite the hardships of college life abroad, an easygoing and warm-hearted Chey hosted barbeque parties at his home for fellow UChicago students

Magazine

Asian Business

February 1987

On loan from SK SUPEX Council

Article overviewing the SK Group, Chey Jong-hyon and his innovative Sunkyong Management System (SKMS), and the Korean business structure known as "chaebol"

James A. Van Fleet Award

On loan from SK SUPEX Council

In 1957, US Army General James A. Van Fleet founded the nonprofit Korean Society to promote friendship, cooperation, and mutual understanding between the US and Korea. The James A. Van Fleet Award honors individuals who have contributed significantly to US-Korea relations and in 1998, Chey Jong-hyon was honored with the Fleet Award. Later, in 2017, his son Chey Tae-won received the Fleet Award and the Cheys became the first family to receive multiple Van Fleet Awards.

Booklet

1991

"Sunkyong Management: Towards Globalization"

On loan from SK SUPEX Council

Booklet overviewing Chey Jong-hyon's innovative Sunkyong Management System (SKMS)

Photo [reproduction]

November 18, 1991

Image courtesy of Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies

Chey Jong-hyon introducing SK's Management System at the Challenges of an Asian Century Forum, held during UChicago's 100th-anniversary celebration

Silver Tower Order of Industrial Service Merit Award
1972

On loan from the SK Heritage Museum

In 1962, SK Textile was the first South Korean company to export rayon fabrics and later expanded its scope into the polyester yarn business. In recognition of his many contributions to South Korea's industrial development through exports, Chey Jong-hyon received the Silver Tower Order of Industrial Service Merit in 1972 and later, in 1973 and 1997, he was honored again with the Gold Tower Order of Industrial Service Award.

Photo [reproduction]

1972

Image courtesy of the SK Heritage Museum

Chey Jong-hyon receiving the Gold Tower Order of Industrial Service Merit Award

Chey Jong-hyon

Tojŏn hanŭn cha ka mirae rŭl chibae handa

Seoul: Han'guk Kiŏp Munhwa Yŏn'guwŏn, 1991

Purchased from a grant given by the Korea Foundation for Korean Collections Consortium of North America

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Chey Jong-hyon

Maŭm ŭl tasŭriŕo mom ŭl umjigyŏra!

Seoul: Dijain Hausŭ, 1999

WCJK-K 3486

Woman demonstrating workplace chair exercises

Mugunghwa Medal Order of Civil Merit

1998

On loan from the SK Heritage Museum

ANDO CASE KFAS SECTION

KFAS Section Panel

The Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies is a non-profit foundation established in 1974 by Chey Jong-hyon, the late founder and former Chairman of SK Group. Its primary goal is to cultivate talented individuals to fulfill Chey Jong-hyon's one-hundred-year plan to resolve societal issues and suggest directions for development.

KFAS has created several scholarship and educational programs to fulfill its mission. Early on, KFAS established the Overseas PhD Scholarship Program, where each year it accepts outstanding college students into the program designed to nurture talented students into globally renowned scholars.

Additionally, the Foundation has initiated its international academic exchange scholarship program aimed at grooming leaders who play important roles to advance Asia's future. Wishing to secure measures for promoting social prosperity, KFAS has established a network of academic cooperation in Asia and sponsors academic research and exchange between international and Korean scholars.

Beginning in 2010, KFAS initiated the Knowledge Sharing Project to promote societal development and a higher quality of life. In 2020, KFAS launched its Talent Innovation Project to nurture the next generation of global society leaders.

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Poster

1979

On loan from the Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies

KFAS was the first organization to offer support to students seeking PhDs overseas and advertised its scholarship program with posters and smaller flyers at the Foundation, on various university message boards, and elsewhere in Korea.

KFAS Administration Grouping

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/11944899>

Han'guk Kodŭng Kyoyuk Chaedan

The History of The Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies: 30th Anniversary

Seoul: Han'guk Kodŭng Kyoyuk Chaedan, 2004

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Letter

May 18, 1977

On loan from the Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies

In this letter, a potential scholarship applicant writes to KFAS program administrators asking if recipients must fulfill "duties besides concentrating on their studies." While other scholarships of the era asked students to return to Korea or to work at specific institutions, Chey Jong-hyon asked only that students cultivate themselves into global scholars.

Recommendation Letter

June 4, 1977

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Recommendation letters for the KFAS Overseas PhD Scholarship Program application uniquely required qualitative marks on a range of specific abilities to help KFAS administrators assess a candidate's overall scholarly potential.

Flow Chart from Study Abroad Guide

1992

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Chey Jong-hyon experienced firsthand the difficulties of studying abroad in the US and observed how classmates from other communities would send syllabuses and reading lists to aspiring young students back home. Chey hoped to establish a network for young and talented students in South Korea and encouraged KFAS administrators to create materials to help students prepare to study abroad.

Teaching and Tests Grouping

Class Minutes

November 23, 1983

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In addition to supporting students financially, KFAS aims to help students acquire general knowledge to help them become world-renowned scholars. This broad training program reflects Chey Jong-hyon's philosophy of "middle-path spirit," or the belief that the union of East and West leads to greater scholarly results. This page of a student's class minutes details observations made outside of PhD program coursework.

Reading List

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Reading lists reflect Chey Jong-hyon's scholarly conviction that "basic scientific knowledge [is necessary for social scientists to] use scientific approaches to analyze society and offer solutions and alternatives to its issues, [and that] basic knowledge of the social sciences [is necessary for natural scientists] to understand the principles and laws of nature and integrate them into society."

Photos [reproductions]
1978, 1989, 1998, 2009, 2018
KFAS training program classrooms over the years

Classroom Test Takers Grouping

Exam Materials
ca. 1970s-1980s

On loan from the Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies

In the 1970s-80s, the Overseas Scholarship Candidate Selection Exam was taken annually by 70-100 students and was comprised of two tests—the English Language Proficiency Test and the Subject Test. These exams helped KFAS identify applicants with the potential to become a global scholar.

KFAS English Course Final Exam
November 28, 1977

On loan from the Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies

KFAS students possess outstanding language proficiency and English classes in the training program aim to further develop candidates' language skills.

Photos [reproductions]
1977, 1989, 1997, 2008, 2019
KFAS candidate selection over the years

Award Recipients Grouping

Photos [reproductions]
1977, 1989, 1999, 2009, 2019
Certificate conferment over the years

ANDO CASE SECTION: CURRENT CHAIRMAN CHEY TAE-WON

CHEY TAE-WON 최태원

(b. 1960)

Post-graduate studies in Economics, 1983-1989

Educational and Career Highlights

- BA Physics, Korea University (1983)
- Director, SK America (1993-1994)
- Director, Sunkyong Group Management Planning Office (1994-1996)
- Managing Director, Yugong Co., Ltd. and Deputy CEO, SK General Planning Office (1996-1998)
- Chairman, SK Co. Ltd. (1998-2015)
- Director, Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies (2015-present)
- Chairman and CEO, SK Co., Ltd. (2016-present)
- Chairman, Korean Chamber of Commerce and Industry (2021-present)
- Chairman, SK Telecom (2022-present)
- Co-Chair of the Bid Committee for World EXPO 2030, Busan, Korea (2022-present)

After studying Economics at the University of Chicago, Chey Tae-won gained hands-on management experience through various positions at SK Group. Following in the footsteps of his father, SK and KFAS founder, Chey Jong-hyon, Chey Tae-won took over management of the group in 1998 and since then has proactively managed SK Group through changing market trends and designed methodologies for the implementation of “Deep Change.”

In a bold move in 2012, Chey Tae-won successfully acquired the semiconductor manufacturing company Hynix. The acquisition is so significant to SK’s growth that the company divides its history into two periods: before and after the acquisition of Hynix. SK Hynix, Inc. currently is SK’s flagship business, maintaining the highest sales and market cap among the group’s companies, and is the second largest global memory semiconductor company in the world.

Around SK Hynix, Chey Tae-won innovated the SK Group’s business portfolio from information and communication technology to semiconductors and high-tech materials, bioscience, batteries, eco-friendly projects, and digital technology. He continues to mobilize corporate influence to change the world and make it more sustainable. Chey Tae-won’s systematic methods have placed him firmly at the forefront of those leading social value and environmental social governance management in Korea.

Chey Tae-won champions ESG management – a business model recognizing that sustainability extends beyond ecological issues and requires holistic understanding and proactive application of environmental, social, and governance criteria. As chairman, Chey Tae-won has implemented significant eco-positive initiatives, such as pivoting the company’s traditional energy companies to focus on renewable energy, launching SK’s innovative Green Campus, and transitioning the company to 100% renewable energy by

2050. These projects grow SK Group's business while also providing positive global impacts that extend beyond the company.

Social Impact

Like his father, Chey Tae-won listens to a philosophical call to further greater, long-term social goals while leading SK Group and plants seeds for long range social benefits such as continuing active support of KFAS to ensure that Korea's top students can pursue advanced degrees at top universities around the world. Additionally, as a strategy to protect public land, Chey Tae-won shares his father's commitment to change Korean burial customs and promotes cremation. In 2010, SK invested heavily in the Milky Way Memorial Park – a funeral facility that has, in part, helped raise cremation rates in Korea to 90%.

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Photos

November 13, 2009

Image courtesy of SK Group

Chairman Chey Tae-won spoke at the United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) China-Japan-Korea Roundtable Conference in November 2009. Chairman Chey was the first Korean board member appointed to the UNGC.

Photo

January 2009

Image courtesy of SK Group

Chairman Chey Tae-won participated in the Korea Night event hosted at the World Economic Forum.

Photo

November 10, 2010

Image courtesy of SK Group

Chairman Chey Tae-won participated in discussions at the 2010 G20 Business Summit that took place in Seoul.

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November 4, 2011

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Chairman Chey Tae-won spoke at the 2011 G20 Business Summit Roundtable Discussion in Cannes, France and dined next to German Chancellor Angela Merkel.

Photo

December 2022

Image courtesy of SK Group

To facilitate global economic cooperation, Chairman Chey Tae-won hosts the annual Trans-Pacific Dialogue (TPD), which serves as a collective intellectual platform for the US, Japan, and Korea.

Photo

February 2005

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Chairman Chey Tae-won visiting the SKC plant complex in Georgia

Photo

November 10, 2021

Image courtesy of SK Group

Georgia Senator Jon Ossoff and Chairman Chey Tae-won met to discuss eco-friendly business strategies.

Chart

2022

Image courtesy of SK Group

This chart shows an increasing trend in the amount of corporate tax SK Hynix paid since SK Holdings acquired it, which has risen by six trillion KRW (4.5 billion USD).

Under the leadership of Chairman Chey Tae-won, SK Holdings acquired Hynix in February 2012, OCI Materials in 2015, LG Siltron in 2017, and participated in a consortium to purchase the Toshiba's memory chip unit—a leading player in NAND flash—by investing 4 trillion KRW. Soon afterward, Chairman Chey successfully completed vertical integration of semiconductor production by acquiring Dupont's SiC wafer unit in 2019 and Intel's NAND flash unit in 2020. Furthering success in the industry, in February 2021, SK invested 3.5 trillion KRW to erect its semiconductor plant complex M16 and has pledged an additional 120 trillion KRW to construct a semiconductor production campus in Yongin by 2026.

Certificate

May 25, 2021

On loan from SK Group

Chairman Chey received a certificate of honorary citizenship from the State of Georgia in 2021.

Photo

July 27, 2022

Image courtesy of SK Group

Chairman Chey Tae-won donated 1 million dollars to support the construction of the Korean War Memorial in Washington DC. In 2022, he attended a memorial ceremony for Korean War veterans in Atlanta.

Van Fleet Award

July 18, 2017

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The Korean Society is a nonprofit organization founded to promote friendship, cooperation, and mutual understanding between the US and Korea and it honors individuals who contribute significantly with its James A. Van Fleet Award. Chairman Chey Tae-won received the award in 2017 for his contribution to intellectual exchange between the two countries through the Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies. Earlier in 1998, his father Chey Jong-hyon received the award. The Cheys are the first family to receive multiple Van Fleet Awards.

Legion d'Honneur Medal

June 22, 2022

On loan from SK Group

Chairman Chey Tae-won received France's most prestigious Legion d'Honneur medal for his contribution to economic cooperation between France and Korea. Chairman Chey was recognized for acquiring Iposukeshi, a gene and cell therapy company, in 2021 along with a highly valued chemistry unit from Arkema. The biochemical business acquisitions established eco-friendly joint ventures in France.

“SK’s Double Bottom Line: Challenges and Way Forward”

2019

On loan from the Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies

Double Bottom Line (DBL) is a business system that manages both a company’s financial profit and its social impact. Chairman Chey collaborated with Stanford Business School to publish a case study of DBL management.

Reading Nook

To provide a broad educational foundation, KFAS scholarship recipients were required to read these classic literary works as part of the training program for the Overseas PhD Scholarship Program.

Pride and Prejudice

Jane Austen

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/4735294>

Taehak, Chungyong, Hyogyŏn

Confucius

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/8125500?sid=66152110>

The Divine Comedy

Dante

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/1680087>

Discourse on the Method

Rene Descartes

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/1633881>

The Interpretation of Dreams

Sigmund Freud

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/8106482>

Goethes Faust

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/3205592>

Wilhelm Meister

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/1184680>

The Iliad

Homer

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/5890303>

Pragmatism and four essays from The Meaning of Truth

William James

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/373305>

The Future of Mankind

Karl Jaspers

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/254271>

Critique of Practical Reason

Emmanuel Kant

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/169065>

The Prince

Niccolo Machiavelli

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/699475>

An Essay on the Principle of Population

Thomas Robert Malthus

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/11420903>

One Dimensional Man

Herbert Marcuse

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/882269>

On Liberty

John Stuart Mill

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/130314>

Paradise Lost

John Milton

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/6494311>

Pensées

Blaise Pascal

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/1395651>

The Last Days of Socrates

Plato

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/1652330>

Rich Countries and Poor Countries

W.W. Rostow

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/852411>

The Stages of Economic Growth: a Non-Communist Manifesto

W.W. Rostow

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/1123973>

The Social Contract: or Principles of Political Right

Jean-Jacques Rousseau

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/41283>

Leibniz's Monadology: a New Translation and Guide

Lloyd Strickland

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/10107660>

Future Shock

Alvin Toffler

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/524260>

Die Protestantische Ethik: eine Aufsatzsammlung

Max Weber

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/305023>

Chuyŏk

Ka-wŏn Yi

<https://catalog.lib.uchicago.edu/vufind/Record/8125533>

Han'gugin ũi Uisik Kujo

Kyu-t'ae Yi

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