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**Education**

- Ph.D., History, University of California Los Angeles, 2007  
Major Field: History of Korean Medicine  
Secondary Field: History of East Asian Science, Technology, and Medicine  
Dissertation: "Korean Medicine between the Local and the Universal: 1600–1945"  
Committee: Charlotte Furth, Norton Wise, John Duncan, Burglind Jungmann
- Ph.D. Candidate, Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea, February 1999
- M.S., History of Science, Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea, February 1996
- B.A., Science Education (Chemistry), Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea, February 1993

**Academic Employment**

- Associate Professor  
Dartmouth College, Department of History in association with the Asian and Middle Eastern Studies Program, July 2017–present
- Assistant Professor  
Dartmouth College, Department of History in association with the Asian and Middle Eastern Studies Program, July 2011–June 2017
- Research Fellow  
East Asian Sciences and Traditions in Medicine Research Center, School of Life Sciences, University of Westminster, London United Kingdom, 2009–2010
- Postdoctoral Fellow  
Harvard University, Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations in association with Department of History of Science, 2008–2009
- Visiting Assistant Professor  
Pitzer College, Claremont California, January–May 2007
- Teaching Fellow, Teaching Associate, and Teaching Assistant  
University of California Los Angeles, Department of History, 2005–2006; April–June, 2004; 2002–2003

**Fellowship**

- Jacobus Family Fellowship  
Dartmouth College, July 2017–June 2018
- Provost Research Funds  
Dartmouth College, July 2017–June 2018
- Junior Faculty Fellowship  
Dartmouth College, September–December, 2014

Fellowship from the Leslie Center, Dartmouth College  
 “Evaluation, Value, Evidence: Medicine, Humanities and the Human Sciences,” held at Columbia University, New York, NY, April, 2013

Medical History Stipend  
 Neurobiology Department Fellowship (Research travel to China and Korea)  
 History Department UCLA, June–August, 2005

Andrew W. Mellon Visiting Fellowship  
 Needham Research Institute, Cambridge, UK, January–March, 2004

Fellowship (Tuition and boarding)  
 Middlebury Language School (Japanese: Third-year level), June–August, 2003

Fellowship (Tuition and boarding)  
 Middlebury Language School (Chinese: Fourth-year level), June–August, 2001

Fellowship (Tuition and teaching salary)  
 History Department UCLA, January, 2002–June, 2006

Fellowship (Tuition/stipend)  
 History of Science fund/ History Department UCLA, September, 2000–December, 2001

## Publications

### Books

*Naming the Local: Medicine, Language, and Identity in Korea since the Fifteenth Century* (Cambridge, Massachusetts: Harvard University Asia Center, 2017) Harvard East Asian Monograph Series, 404.

*Sudden Transition and Enduring Past: Breast Cancer in Korea 1910–2010*  
 (work in progress)

### Peer-Reviewed Research Articles

“Rethinking Breast Mountain (*yuam*): Surgical Treatments of Breast Cancer in Korea, 1959–1993.” *Asia Pacific Perspectives* 14, no. 1 (Fall 2016), 2–26.

“*Shanghanlun* in Korea, 1610–1945.” *Asian Medicine: Tradition and Modernity* 8, no. 2 (2015): 423–57.

“Stories to Be Told: Korean Doctors Between Hwa-byung (Fire-illness) and Depression, 1970–2011.” *Culture, Medicine, and Psychiatry* 37, no. 1 (2013): 81–104.

“From Influence to Confluence: Positioning the History of Pre-Modern Korean Medicine in East Asia.” *Korean Journal of Medical History* 19, no. 2 (2010): 225–54, state of the field article.

“Herbs of Our Own Kingdom: Layers of the ‘Local’ in the *Materia Medica* of Chosŏn Korea.” *Asian Medicine: Tradition and Modernity* 4, no. 2 (2009): 395–422.

### Essays and Chapters in Books

“Marketing Medicine to Koreans, 1910–1945.” In *Visualizing Chinese Medicine*, edited by Vivienne Lo. Leiden and Boston: Brill, 2017 forthcoming.

“Hö Chun’s (1539–1615) *Tongŭi pogam (Precious Mirror of Eastern Medicine)*.” In *Chinese Medicine and Healing: An Illustrated History*, edited by TJ Hinrichs and Linda L. Barnes, 137–39. Cambridge MA: Harvard University Press, 2013.

“Waiting for a Feminist Critic of Science in Korea.” *Women & Society* 10 (1999). (Korean).

“The Possibilities and Limits of Using Gender and Sexuality as an Analytical Unit in the History of Chinese Science and Technology.” *Journal of Korean History of Science Society* 20, vol. 2 (1998). (Korean).

### Translation

“Cases of Female Patients from *Miscellaneous Writings by Ujam Chang T’ae-gyöng* (張泰慶, 1809–1887).” *Asian Medicine: Tradition and Modernity* 11, no. 1–2 (2016): 192–206.

### Other Contributions (encyclopedia entries)

“A History of Herbal Medicine in Korea.” In *Chinese Herbal Medicine: Formulas and Strategies*, 2nd ed., edited by Volker Scheid and Dan Bensky. Seattle: Eastland Press, 2008.

### Book Reviews

*Tongŭi pogam kwa tongasia ūihaksa* 동의보감과 동아시아의학사 *Donguibogam and the History of Medicine in East Asia: How a Compilation Led to a Universal Synthesis of Medical Knowledge*, by Dongwon Shin (Seoul: Tŭllyök, 2015). *Journal of Korean History of Science Society* 39, no. 2 (2017), forthcoming.

*Reconstructing Bodies: Biomedicine, Health, and Nation-Building in South Korea Since 1945*, by John P. DiMoia (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2013). *East Asian Science, Technology and Society: An International Journal* 9, no.1 (2015): 101–05.

*The Monkey and the Inkpot: Natural History and Its Transformation in Early Modern China*, by Carla Nappi (Cambridge, Massachusetts: Harvard University Press, 2009). *Journal of the Korean History of Science Society* 32, no. 2 (2010): 311–19. (Korean)

*Hanŭihak, singminjirŭl alt’a* 한의학식민지를알다:식민지시기 한의학의근대화연구 *The Modernization of Korean Traditional Medicine during the Colonial Period*, edited by Institute of History of Medicine, Yonsei University (Seoul: Akanet, 2008). *East Asian Science, Technology and Society: An International Journal* 4, no. 2 (2010): 363–66.

“In Search of the ‘Chinese’ Sexuality?”, review of *Sex, Culture, and Modernity in China*, by Frank Dikötter. *Journal of Modern Chinese History* 5 (1998). (Korean)

“Women and the History of Science and Technology,” review of *Gender and Technology*, by Francesca Bay (1997). *Women & Society* 9 (1998). (Korean)

### Presentations

### Invited talks and invitation-only workshops

- “Bodies and Culture: Toward a Comparative History of Medicine,” Future of the Past Series, Rohatyn Center for Global Affairs, Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT, April 13 2017.
- “Rethinking ‘Localization’: Medical Advertisements in Korea, 1876–1945,” paper presentation at “The Circulation of Asian Medicine and Medical Knowledge,” the Global Asias 4 Conference, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA, March 31–April 1, 2017.
- “Pharmaceuticals and Pharmacotherapeutic Cultures in China and East Asia, 1850–2015,” planning workshop funded by Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange, Toronto Ontario Canada, March 15, 2017.
- “Naming Local Botanicals in the Vernacular: Medical Texts about *Hvangvak* (鄉藥) in Premodern Korea” paper presented at “Book Culture and Vernacular Identity in Premodern Korea and East Asia,” Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, October 30, 2016.
- “Narrating Breast Cancer in Korea, 1959–1993,” paper presented at “Bodies, Healing, and Culture: A Social History of Medicine in East Asia,” International Conference at the University of San Francisco Center for Asia Pacific Studies, San Francisco CA, November 5–6, 2015.
- “Naming and Identity: ‘Local Botanicals’ in the Korean Tradition of Medicine,” presented at the East Asian Studies Speaker Series, co-sponsored by History of Medicine, Johns Hopkins University, November 23, 2014.
- “Medical Advertisements in Colonial Korea (1910–1945),” paper presented at “Medicine and Empire,” sponsored by the Japan Committee of the Center for East Asian Studies, University of Chicago, Chicago IL, May 11–12, 2012.
- “*Shanghanlun (The Treatise on the Cold Damage Disorders)* in Korea,” paper presented at “Early Modern Asian Medical Classics and Medical Philology,” Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, February 10, 2012.
- “Naming at the Margins: The Origins of Fire-illness in Korea,” paper presented at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Rising Stars of Korean Studies, sponsored by University of Southern California’s Korean Studies Institute and funded by the Korea Foundation, Los Angeles, CA, October 21–22, 2011.
- “*Shanghanlun (The Treatise on the Cold Damage Disorders)* in Korea,” research project presented at the “Medical Classics and Medical Philology in Early Modern East Asia, 1550–1850,” a research and reading module directed by Prof. Benjamin Elman and Prof. Susan Naquin at Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, February 18–19, 2011.
- “Marketing Medicine in Colonial Korea (1910–45),” paper presented at the international conference of “Visual Culture in Medicine,” Institute of History and Philology, Academia Sinica (中央研究院歷史語言研究所), Taiwan, November 26, 2010.
- “*Treatise on Cold Damage Disorders (傷寒論)* in Korea,” paper presented at “The (After)Life of Traditional Knowledge: The Cultural Politics and Historical Epistemology of East Asian Medicine,” University of Westminster, London, UK, August 20–21, 2010.
- “Scientizing Korea,” paper presented at a colloquium, Korean Studies Institute, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA, April 17, 2009.
- “Local Botanicals in Transition: The Idea of ‘Koreanness’ under Changing Universalism of Medicine,” Brown Bag Lunch Talk at the Department of History of Science, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, February 24, 2009.
- “Making Narrow Fields Broader: Research and Publication Across Areas and Disciplines,” presentation and group discussion, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH, September 8, 2008.

“Medicine and the Politics of National Identity in Early Twentieth-Century Korea,” paper presented at a colloquium held by the University of Southern California Korean Studies Institute, Los Angeles, CA, September 27, 2007.

“Defining Koreans’ Bodies: Traditional Medicine and Biomedicine under Japanese Colonialism (1910–1945),” paper presented at the University of California Los Angeles Center for the Cultural Studies of Science, Technology, and Medicine, Los Angeles, CA, April 23, 2006.

“Marketing Medicine to Koreans in Manchuria,” paper presented at “Chinese Medicine: A Visual History,” Chinese Institute for the History of Medicine & Medical Literature; China Academy of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Wellcome Trust Center for the History of Medicine, University College London, Beijing China, September 15, 2005.

“Review of the Recent Scholarship in the History of East Asian Science and Medicine,” invited speech at a graduate seminar held by “Program in History and Philosophy of Science,” Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea, December 12, 2003.

### **Conference/Workshop presentations**

“William S. Halsted’s Radical Mastectomy in South Korea, from 1948 to 2010,” paper presented at “Finding Hope: Women and Cancer Control in South Korea,” proposed for the Association for Asian Studies annual conference, Toronto, Canada, March 17, 2017.

“Lifesaving Water, Nation-Saving Medicine: Advertising Medicinal Products in Colonial Korea (1910–1945),” paper presented at the annual meeting of American Association for the History of Medicine, New Haven, CT, May 2, 2015.

Collis Manuscript Seminar. contributor for discussion of Professor Jonathan Schlesinger, “The Qing Invention of Nature,” Department of History, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH, April 21, 2015.

The Manuscript Review Workshop, presentation, sponsored by the Dickey Center, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH, May 13, 2014.

Book manuscript discussion, presentation, the Department Seminar, History Department, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH, May 8, 2013.

“From Common Cold to Incurable Diseases: *Shanghanlun* in Korea,” paper presented at the Association for Asian Studies annual conference, San Diego, CA, March 21–24, 2013.

“Chinese Medicine in Korea,” presentation at colloquium on the “Globalization of Traditional Chinese Medicine,” organized by Prof. Susan Blader, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH, May 3, 2012.

“Stories to Be Told: Korean Doctors between Hwa-byung (Fire-illness) and Depression, 1970–2011,” paper presented at the Society for the Social History of Medicine annual meeting, Queen Mary, University of London, UK, September 10–12, 2012.

“Fire-illness: Globalized Psychiatry, Nationalized History, and the Korean Effort to Make the Local Visible,” paper presented at the History of Science Society annual meeting, Cleveland, OH, November 4, 2011.

“Globalizing Hwabyōng: How Does an Illness Become Korean?,” paper presented at the Association for Asian Studies annual conference, Honolulu, HI, March 31, 2011.

“Defining the Local at the Margins: ‘Local Botanicals’ as a Manifestation of Korean Identity, 1236–1610,” paper presented at the Association for Asian Studies annual conference, Chicago, IL, March 26, 2009.

“When Did Chinese Medicine Become Korean?: ‘Local Botanicals’ in the Korean Tradition of Medicine,” paper presented at the History of Science Society annual meeting, Pittsburgh, PA, November 8, 2008.

“Herbs of Our Own Kingdom: Layers of the Local in the *Materia Medica* of Chosŏn Dynasty,” paper presented at the 12th International Conference of the History of Science in East Asia, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, July 15, 2008.

“Koreans’ Bodies between the Local and the Universal: 1900–1945,” paper presented at the Association for Asian Studies annual conference, Atlanta, GA, April 4, 2008.

“The Rise of Local Botanicals in Fifteenth-Century Chosŏn Korea,” paper presented at the World History Group Workshop, University of California San Diego, CA, May 13, 2005.

“*Pangyak Happ’yŏn (Fangyao Hebian)*: A Nineteenth-Century Korean Compilation on Prescribing Drugs,” Text Reading Seminars (Lent Term), the Needham Research Institute, Cambridge, UK, February 20, 2004.

“Feminist Journalism on Science in Korea, 1999,” workshop on “The Feminist Activism and Women’s Writing,” Seoul Women’s University, Seoul, Korea, November 1999.

### **Comments on panels and papers**

“Intersections with Science, Medicine, and Technology in Korea,” commentator at workshop at Binghamton University, Binghamton, NY, October 20, 2012.

“*Han* Medicine and Russell’s Paradox,” commentator on a paper, International Conference on “Process and Han,” Claremont School of Theology, Claremont, CA February 1, 2007.

“Medical Knowledge in National Imagination of Gender,” commentator on panel of three papers, the 13th Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, “Sin Fronteras: Women’s Histories, Global Conversations,” Scripps College, Claremont, CA June 4, 2005.

### **Conference/Workshop Organization/Panel Proposal**

“Finding Hope: Women and Cancer Control in South Korea,” a panel proposed for the Association for Asian Studies annual conference, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, March 17, 2017.

“Locating Emotions in the Body: Transnational Perspectives on the Treatment of Emotional Disorders,” class visit, public lecture, and workshop, sponsored by the Department of History, the Asian and Middle Eastern Studies Program, and the Dickey Center, Dartmouth College, NH, March 2–3, 2012.

“Workshop on East Asian Studies and Science & Technology Studies: Towards Productive Cross-fertilization,” co-organizer, sponsored by the Harvard-Yenching Institute, the Department of the History of Science, and the Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations, Harvard University, MA, April 24, 2009.

### **Teaching Career and Courses Taught**

2013–2016. “Introduction to Korean Culture,” “Body Parts, Body Wholes: An Introduction to the Comparative History of Medicine,” “North Korea, Origins and Transition,” “Christianity in Korea,” Dartmouth College

- 2012–2013. “Introduction to Korean Culture,” “Body Parts, Body Wholes: An Introduction to the Comparative History of Medicine,” “Christians in Korea: From the Seventeenth Century to the Present,” “Imperialism in Modern East Asia,” Dartmouth College
- 2011–2012. “Introduction to Korean Culture,” “Body Parts, Body Wholes: An Introduction to the Comparative History of Medicine,” “Science and Technology in the Making of Modern Korea,” Dartmouth College
2009. “Understanding Changes: Asian Science between the Local and the Universal,” Harvard University
2007. “Traditional Medicine: A Cultural History of the Body in East Asia,” “Introduction to East Asian Civilization: From 1592 to the Present,” Pitzer College
2006. “Tradition and Modernity in East Asian Medicine,” “Scientific Knowledge in the Making of East Asia,” UCLA
2005. “World History after 1800” (TA for Prof. Arch Getty), UCLA
- 2002–2003. “History of World Religion” (TA for Prof. S. Scott Bartchy), “Social Knowledge and Social Power” (TA for Dr. Marcia Meldrum, “History of the Scientific Revolution” (TA for Dr. Marcia Meldrum), “History of Twentieth-Century Science” (TA for Prof. Theodore Porter), UCLA
- 1997–2000. “History of Western Science,” “History of Korean Science,” Seoul City University, Seoul, Korea
1996. Instructor of English Grammar in ESL program; Teaching Assistant in the Department of Liberal Arts, Yanbian University of Science and Technology (延邊科學技術大學) Jilin(吉林), China

## Languages

Korean: Native speaker  
 English: Written and spoken fluency  
 Modern Chinese: Reading academic articles and basic dialogue  
 Classical Chinese: Reading medical texts  
 Other: Reading comprehension of modern Japanese and German

## Professional Memberships

2014– American Association for the History of Medicine  
 2013– International Association for the Study of Traditional Asian Medicine  
 2011– History of Science Society  
 2007– Association for Asian Studies  
 1995–2000. Member, Korean Research Institute of Women  
 1998–2000. Editorial Member, *Women & Society* (annual journal in Korean)

## Professional Services

2017– Committee, The Charles Leslie Award for Best Essay by a Junior Scholar, The International Association for the Study of Traditional Asian Medicine  
 2017 February 23. External examiner of a Ph.D. thesis (by Shin Kwon Kim): The Wellcome Unit for the History of Medicine, Oxford University, UK  
 2016– Editorial Member, *Korean Journal of the History of Science*  
 2013. External supervisor of a Ph.D. student’s (Mr. Ki-bok Yi) qualifying examination: Program in the History and Philosophy of Science, Seoul National University, South Korea.

2013– Reviewer, *Journal of Korean Religion; Asian Medicine: Tradition and Modernity*.

## Contact

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