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## Education

**University of Rochester**, Rochester, NY

Ph.D. Candidate, Political Science, June 2020 Expected.

M.A., Political Science, 2015.

**Seoul National University**, Seoul, South Korea

M.A., Political Science, 2012.

Thesis: *Study of National Assembly Members' Party Defection Voting Behavior.*

B.A., Political Science, with honors, 2009.

## Dissertation

*Demographic Crises and Policy-Making in South Korea*

Committee: Bonnie Meguid (chair), Gretchen Helmke, and G. Bingham Powell, Jr.

## Research Interests

Comparative Politics, East Asian Politics, Korean Politics, Immigration Policy, Gender and Politics, Political Demography, Distributive Politics.

## Published Article

"Gridlock in the 18th Korean National Assembly." 2010. *Journal of Korean Politics* Vol.19(1): 123-145.

## Working Papers

"The Politics of Bride Importation: Competitive Immigration Policy-Making in South Korea."

"Upending Impunity: Prosecuting Presidents in Contemporary Latin America" (Under review, Co-authored with Gretchen Helmke, Seda Ozturk, and Jae Eun Kim)

"When Two Heads Are Better Than One: Population Decline, Representation, And Distributive Politics in South Korea."

"Draining the Swamp? Partisan Bias in the Prosecution of Former Latin American Leaders (with Gretchen Helmke, Ezgi Siir Kibris, Jae Eun Kim, Adriana Tobar, and Emily Vanmeter)

"Vertical Coercion and Local Integration Policy in South Korea."

"Threats or Opportunity? Balancing Issue Salience as Mainstream Party Response to Green Party Emergence."

## Works In Progress

"One Child Policy in China and North Korean Defectors (with Gretchen Helmke)"

"The Politics of Re-migration: Evidence from Japan and South Korea"

"Presidents and Their Parties: Party Strategies under Presidentialism."

"Assimilation and Anti-Immigrant Sentiments in South Korea."

"Party Defection Voting in South Korea."

## Award

Prize for Excellence in Teaching by a Graduate Student, Department of Political Science, University of Rochester, 2015.

## Field Research

Summer 2016. South Korea.

## Teaching and Research Experiences

### Instructor, Early Connection Africa 2018 (University of Rochester)

Summer 2018 Introduction to Comparative Politics

### Teaching Assistant, University of Rochester

Spring 2016 How Countries Become Rich, Dr. Adam Cohon.  
 Fall 2015 Introduction to Comparative Politics, Professor Bonnie Meguid.  
 Spring 2015 Introduction to Comparative Politics, Professor G. Bingham Powell, Jr.  
 Fall 2014 Contemporary African Politics, Professor Robin Harding.

### Teaching Assistant, Seoul National University

Fall 2011 Government and Politics in Korea, Professor Won-Taek Kang.  
 Spring 2011 Legislative Politics, Professor Chan Wook Park.  
 Spring 2009 East Asian Political Thought, Professor Youngmin Kim.

### Research Assistant

Summer 2018-2014-present Research Assistant, Professor Bonnie Meguid.  
 2014-present Research Assistant, Professor Gretchen Helmke.  
 2010-2012 Research Assistant, Brain Korea 21 Political Science.  
 2011-2012 Research Assistant, President Kim Young-Sam Oral History Project.

## Grants and Fellowships

Graduate Student Association Travel Grant, University of Rochester, 2018.  
 Dean's Post-Field Research Dissertation Write-up Fellowship, University of Rochester, 2017-18.  
 Pump Primer II Grant for *In the Field* project (with Gretchen Helmke, Rabia Malik, and Svanhildur Thorvaldsdottir), University of Rochester, 2016-17.  
 Summer Seed Grant for International Field Research, Department of Political Science, University of Rochester, 2016.  
 Second-Year Paper Fellowship, Department of Political Science, University of Rochester, 2014.  
 University Fellowship, University of Rochester, 2012-17.  
 EU-ICI ECP Scholarship, EACEA, European Commission, 2009-10.  
 Brain Korea 21 Fellowship, Korea Research Foundation, 2009-10.  
 Lecture and Research Scholarship, Seoul National University, Spring 2009; Spring 2011; Fall 2011.  
 Superior Academic Performance Scholarship, Seoul National University, Spring 2005; Fall 2005; Spring 2006; Fall 2009.

## Conference and Talks

### Organizer

Conference Co-Organizer (with Gretchen Helmke and Rabia Malik), "In the Field Political Science" Conference. University of Rochester. 2017.

### Invited Talks

"Politics of Global Migration in East Asia," University of Nebraska, Omaha, November 2018.

### Conference Presentations

Annual American Political Science Association meeting (Boston, MA) 2018; 2019 (Washington, DC).  
 Annual Midwest Political Science Association meeting (Chicago, IL), 2010; 2015; 2018; 2019.  
 World Congress for Korean Politics and Society (Incheon, South Korea), 2011.  
 Annual Korean Association of Party Politics meeting (Seoul, South Korea) 2009.

## Professional Activities

Graduate Student Coordinator, Comparative Politics Workshop, Department of Political Science, University of Rochester, 2017-18.  
 Graduate Student Coordinator, American Politics Working Group, Department of Political Science, University of Rochester, 2017-18.  
 Graduate Student Coordinator, Political Methodology Workshop, Department of Political Science, University of Rochester, 2017-18.

## Media

University of Rochester Newscenter. "Website to help social scientists with field research." May 2017.  
(<http://www.rochester.edu/newscenter/website-to-help-social-scientists-with-field-research-246432/>)

## Languages

Korean (native), English (fluent), Japanese (introductory).

## References

### **Bonnie M. Meguid**

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331 Harkness Hall  
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313 Harkness Hall  
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