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Employment

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics and Business Analytics, Central Washington University, September 2020–.

Education

Ph.D., Economics, University of Washington, Seattle, 2020

M.A., Economics, University of Washington, Seattle, 2015

M.A., Economics, Seoul National University, Korea, 2013

B.A., Economics, Yonsei University, Korea, 2011

Research and Teaching Fields

Primary Field:	Macroeconomics
Secondary Fields:	International Finance, Corporate Finance

Journal Publications

"Regulating corporate misconduct: Training mandates and ESG performance of U.S. firms" with Jaap Donker, Toni Sipic, and David Zuckerman, *International Journal of Corporate Governance* 16.2 (2026): 214-233. (ABDC: B)

"Navigating geopolitical risks: The impact of the Senkaku/Diaoyu Islands dispute on global rare earth markets and diversification strategies" with Youngho Kang and Hayoung Oh, *Resources Policy* 106 (2025): 105631. (ABDC: B)

"Reducing the United States' Risks of Dependency on China in the Rare Earth Market" with Tennecia Dacass, *Resources Policy* 77 (2022): 102702. (ABDC: B)

"Reflections on the Volcker Rule: Innovations in the Financial Services Industry and Fixing Too Big to Succeed," with Koushik Ghosh, *Challenge* (2022): 1-10.

"Financial Market Integration, Exchange Rate Policy, and the Dynamics of Business and Employment in Korea," with Matteo Cacciatore and Fabio Ghironi, *NBER Chapter in: International Finance in the Global Markets, Journal of the Japanese and International Economies* 42 (December 2016, lead article): 79-99. (ABDC: A)

Other Publications

Principles of Macroeconomics Workbook 2e, Kendall Hunt, 2026.

Working Papers

"Beyond the Classroom: Implementing and Sustaining a Multi-Year Undergraduate Research Project – The Case of the Student Price Index" with David Zuckerman (CWU). Under review at *Journal of Economics Teaching.*

"Strategic communication and investor reactions to earnings downgrades" with Han Donker (CWU), John Nofsinger (University of Alaska, Anchorage), and Laurel Orr (Marlowe). Under review at *Behavioral Reserach in Accounting.*

"Does "Green" Reduce Information Asymmetry? Evidence from ESG Scores and Corporate Bond Bid-Ask Spread" with Mengyu Ma (CWU). Under review at *Applied Economics Letters.*

"Corporate Misconduct and Stock Returns: Muted Markets and Organizational Heterogeneity" with Jaap Donker (McGill University).

"Stablecoins, the GENIUS Act, and Monetary Aggregates: A DSGE Approach."

"Excessive Firm Turnover in the Shadow of Unemployment."

"Trade Liberalization and Structural Reforms under Self-Employment."

"Measuring Political Regimes in Economic Growth".

Research Projects

Central Washington University (CWU) Student Price Index (SPI) Project 09/2021 – Present

- The project develops a price index of the cost of college living in Ellensburg, Washington, using methods consistent with that of the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).
- As the Principal Investigator (PI), I advise a team of 10-15 students on collecting and cleaning monthly price data, creating campus-wide surveys and monthly reports, analyzing price and survey data, applying to grants, and presenting at various venues.
- The project has been presented at conferences (PNREC, SOURCE, Economic Outlook Conference) and featured in media outlets (The Voyage, The Pulse, Daily Record).

Teaching Experience

Central Washington University (2020-Current)
ECON 130 Foundations for Business Analytics
ECON 202 Principles of Economics Macro
ECON 330 Financial Institutions and Markets (previously Money and Banking)
ECON 402 Intermediate Macroeconomic Analysis
BUAN 406/506 Business Analytics

University of Washington, Seattle (2014-2020)
Instructor, ECON 301 Intermediate Macroeconomics
Instructor, ECON 201 Introduction to Macroeconomics
Internship Instructor, ECON 399 Internship
Teaching Assistant, ECON 201 Introduction to Macroeconomics
Teaching Assistant, B ECON 500 Introduction to Business Economics (MBA course)
Teaching Assistant, FIN 423 Banking and the Financial System

Seattle University (2019)

Adjunct Faculty, ECON 2100 Business Statistics

Shoreline Community College (2019)
Adjunct Faculty, ECON&202 Macroeconomics

Seoul National University (2012-2013)
Teaching Assistant, ECON 212.202 Macroeconomics

Honors, Awards, and Fellowships

Honors and Awards

CWU College of Business Faculty Excellence in Research Award	10/2026
CWU National Residence Hall Honorary H.O.P.E (Honoring Our Professors' Excellence) Award	05/2026
CWU College of Business Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award	09/2024
CWU College of Business Faculty Excellence in Advising Award	09/2023
2015–16 Best Second Year Paper – Macroeconomics	05/2016

Grants and Fellowships

SLICE Funds ($2,729)	02/2026
CWU 2025 Faculty-Student Provost Research Grant for the CWU SPI Project ($3,000)	11/2025
CWU Career Services ($493)	10/2025
SLICE Funds ($600)	02/2025
CWU 2024 Faculty-Student Provost Research Grant for the CWU SPI Project ($3,000)	11/2024
CWU International Studies and Programs (ISPAC) Grant ($467.40)	02/2024
CWU Career Services ($1,111)	01/2024
CWU Provost Travel Funds ($3,788)	11/2023
CWU 2023 Faculty-Student Provost Research Grant for the CWU SPI Project ($1,500)	11/2023
CWU International Studies and Programs (ISPAC) Grant ($700)	07/2023
SLICE Funds ($1,721)	05/2023
CWU Provost Travel Funds ($2,460)	12/2022
CWU 2022 Faculty-Student Provost Research Grant for the CWU SPI Project ($3,000)	11/2022
CWU College of Business Summer Research Grant ($1,250)	04/2021
Travel Grant for the T. S. Kim Seminar at Seoul National University	05/2018
The Buechel Fellowship	2017
The Corkery Fellowship	2013
The Brain Korea 21 Research Grant	03/2011 – 02/2013

Conference and Seminar Presentations

2026: European Accounting Association (EAA) 48th Annual Congress (Prague, Czech Republic), 60th Pacific Northwest Regional Economic Conference (PNREC; Portland, OR)

2025: 59th Pacific Northwest Regional Economic Conference (PNREC; Bellingham, WA), 100th Western Economic Association International (WEAI) Annual Conference (San Francisco, CA), 28th World Congress of Political Science (Seoul, Korea), Invited Talk at the Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP; Seoul, Korea), American Accounting Association (AAA) 2025 Annual Meeting (Chicago, IL)

2024: European Accounting Association (EAA) 46th Annual Congress (Bucharest, Romania), Invited Talk at the University of Jordan (Amman, Jordan), Pacific Northwest Regional Economic Conference (PNREC; Bend, OR), Eastern Economic Association (EEA) 50th Annual Conference (Boston, MA), 20th Annual Economic Outlook Conference (Ellensburg, WA)

2023: Pacific Northwest Regional Economic Conference (PNREC; Walla Walla, WA), 19th Annual Economic Outlook Conference (Ellensburg, WA), Korean Economic Review International Conference (KERIC; Yeosu, Korea)

2022: Kittitas Chamber of Commerce Economic Summit (Ellensburg, WA), 97th Western Economic Association International (WEAI) Annual Conference (Portland, OR), CSWEP CeMENT Workshop (Online)

2021: ASSA Poster Session (Online)

2020: Korean Economic Review International Conference (KERIC), Southern Economic Association (SEA) 90th Annual Meeting (Invited)

2018: T. S. Kim Seminar, Seoul National University, Korea

Professional and Service Activities

Refereeing for peer-reviewed journals: *Macroeconomic Dynamics*; *Emerging Markets Finance and Trade*; *Advances in Economics, Business and Management Research*; *International Journal of Corporate Governance (IJCG)*; *International Journal of Accounting & Information Management (IJAIM)*; *Journal of Commodity Markets*

Thesis Committee Chair for Jaap Donker	09/2024 – 06/2026
Thesis Committee Member for Landen Hashimura	09/2024 – 06/2025
Assurance of Learning (AoL) Committee, College of Business, CWU	09/2020 – Present
University Assessment Council, CWU	09/2022 – Present
Principal Investigator for the Student Price Index Project, CWU	09/2021 – Present
Student Professional Development Committee, College of Business, CWU	09/2025 – Present
Faculty Advisor for the Economics Association, Economics Department, CWU	09/2021 – 06/2024
Library Advisory Council, CWU	07/2022 – 06/2023
Vice President for Korean Graduate Student Association (KGSA), University of Washington, Seattle	09/2017 – 08/2018

Personal Information

Nationality: Republic of Korea (Citizenship), United States (Permanent Resident)
Languages: English (fluent), Korean (native)
Skills: MATLAB, Stata, R, Python, SQL, EViews, LaTeX

References

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