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## Education

Aug 2018            Master of Arts, Economics, The Ohio State University  
Feb 2017            Master of Arts, Economics, Yonsei University, South Korea  
Feb 2013            Bachelor of Arts, Economics, Yonsei University, South Korea

## Paper in Progress

2016                The Selection and Causal Effects of Work Incentives on Labor Productivity: Evidence from a Two-stage Randomized Controlled Trial in Malawi (with Hyuncheol Bryant Kim and Seonghoon Kim), R&R at *Review of Economics and Statistics*

Presented to        Northeastern Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC) Conference 2016, The Centre for the Study of African Economies (CSAE) conference, Hitotsubashi University (Economics), First IZA Junior/Senior Labor Symposium, SJE International Conference on Human Capital and Economic Development, IZA/OECD/World Bank/UCW Workshop on Job Quality in Post-transition, Emerging and Developing Countries, Cornell University, National University of Singapore, Singapore Management University, Seoul National University, KDI (Korean Development Institute) school

2016                Self-control and Self-esteem on Recidivism Decision of US Adolescence in 1980, MA dissertation

## Research Experience

Jan 2014            **Field Research Assistant**, Project Malawi  
– Jul 2015

*The Selection and Causal Effects of Work Incentives on Labor Productivity: Evidence from a Two-stage Randomized Controlled Trial in Malawi*, **R&R at *Review of Economics and Statistics***

- Professor Hyuncheol Bryant Kim (Cornell University), Professor Seonghoon Kim (Singapore Management University)
- Conducted field experiments, co-developed survey questionnaires, field data management, data analysis, managed human resources, and wrote a paper

Can Education Support Increase Economic Rationality? Evidence from a Field Experiment in Malawi, **R&R at *Science***

- Professor Cristian Pop-Eleches (Columbia University), Professor Hyuncheol Bryant Kim (Cornell University) and Professor Syngjoo Choi (Seoul National University)
- Conducted field experiments, co-developed survey questionnaire, field data management, ran basic analysis, and managed human resources

Jun 2013            **Research Assistant**, Project Malawi and Project Holeta  
– Dec 2013

*The Impact of Pre- and Post-natal Interventions on Children's Health and Socio-Economic Outcomes*, working in the field since 2010

- Professor Cristian Pop-Eleches (Columbia University), Professor Hyuncheol Bryant Kim (Cornell University), and Professor Booyeul Kim (KDI School of Public Policy and Management)
- Conducted preliminary research, wrote a funding proposal and assisted data analysis

## **Academic Presentation**

- The Selection and Causal Effects of Work Incentives on Labor Productivity: Evidence from a Two- stage Randomized Controlled Trial in Malawi (with Hyuncheol Bryant Kim and Seonghoon Kim), working paper
- Jan 2017      Joint Economics Symposium of Five Leading East Asian Universities, Institute for Economic Research, Keio University
- Jul 2016      Impact Evaluation in Practice: Korean Development Institute School Workshop on Evaluating Field Research. KDI school, Daejeon, South Korea

## **Teaching Experience**

- July 2015      (Graduate) Advanced Topics in Urban Economy, Yonsei University  
– Present      TA for Professor Seonghwan Suh
- July 2015      (Undergraduate) Regional Economics, Yonsei University  
– Present      TA for Professor Seonghwan Suh
- Sep 2013      (Undergraduate) Law Economics, Yonsei University  
– Jan 2014      TA for Professor Jungho Kim
- Sep 2012      (Undergraduate) Microeconomics, Yonsei University  
– Jan 2014      TA for Professor Seonghwan Suh

## **Volunteer Experience**

- Jan 2009      Volunteer, Seodaemooon Long-term Dementia Care Center for the Elderly. Seoul, South Korea  
– Dec 2010      - Organized and implemented activities for elders with dementia  
                    - Managed maintenance in facility
- Feb 2008      Volunteer, Food for the Hungry, AZ, USA  
– Jul 2008      - Assisted Child-Sponsor program
- Jan 2007      Short-term teacher, Thai-Korean Christian Education Center, Chiangrai, Thailand  
– Feb 2008      - Collected and organized historical data of catchment villages  
                    - Taught secondary school level of Mathematics and English

## **Research Skills**

- Extensive experience with randomized controlled trial research projects
- Applied micro-economic analysis (Limited dependent variable, censored variable analysis)
- Proficient in STATA and MS Excel
- Korean (Native), English(Fluent, TOEFL(111)), Thai(Basic)