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Curriculum Vitae

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EMPLOYMENT

- 2019–present Lecturer, Department of Philosophy, The University of Iowa, Iowa, USA
2018–2019 Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, The University of Iowa, Iowa, USA
2017–2018 Post-doc Research Fellow, Ewha Institute for Biomedical Law & Ethics, Ewha Womans University
(funded by National Research Foundation of Korea), Seoul, Korea
2015–2016 Adjunct Instructor, Department of Philosophy, Towson University, Maryland, USA

EDUCATION

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|------|---|------------|
| 2016 | Ph.D. State University of New York at Buffalo (Buffalo, NY)
Title: “Sentimentalist Virtue Theories of Mengzi and Hume” | Philosophy |
| 2006 | M.A. Seoul National University (Seoul, Korea)
Title: “On Hume’s Aesthetics in ‘Of the Standard of Taste’” | Aesthetics |
| 2000 | B.A. Seoul National University (Seoul, Korea) | Aesthetics |

Areas of Specialization: Asian and Comparative Philosophy, Early Modern Philosophy, Ethics

Areas of Competence: Aesthetics, Ancient Philosophy

PUBLICATIONS

- forthcoming “Mencius and Hume”
Dao Companion to the Philosophy of Mencius (ed. Xiao, Yang, Springer).
- 2019 “Mengzi’s Maxim for Righteousness in *Mengzi* 2A2”
Dao: A Journal of Comparative Philosophy 18 (3).
“The Heart of Compassion in *Mengzi* 2A6”
Dao: A Journal of Comparative Philosophy 18 (1).
“On Pictorial Realism”
in *Aesthetic Discussion on Pictorial Representation*, Seoul National University Press. (Korean)
- 2018 “Moral Artisanry in *Mengzi* 6A7”
Dao: A Journal of Comparative Philosophy 17 (3).
“Review of *The Analects of Dasan, Volume 1: A Korean Syncretic Reading*”
Philosophy East and West 68 (1) (Book Review).

- 2018 “Two Causes of Akrasia in *Nicomachean Ethics*”
Journal of Philosophical Ideas (Chul Hak Sa Sang) 69, (Korean).
- “On Hume’s Standard of Virtue”
Journal of Philosophical Ideas (Chul Hak Sa Sang) 67, (Korean).
- 2017 “The Minimal Condition of Authenticity”
Sogang Journal of Humanities 50, (Korean).
- 2016 “The Frame of Virtue: What Contemporary Virtue Ethics Lacks”
Korean Journal of Ethics 5 (2), (English).
- Those Who Dream of New Art*
 Seoul: Amormundi, (Korean, a collection of my essays on art).
- 2012 *Seeing Arts through Philosophical Eyes*
 Seoul: Amormundi, (Korean, a collection of my essays on art).
- “Analytical Understanding of Pictorial Realism”
Korean Journal of Aesthetics (Meehak) 69, (Korean).
- 2009 “The Paradox of Tragedy: on Hume’s ‘Of Tragedy’”
Korean Journal of Aesthetics (Meehak) 59, (Korean).
- 2007 “On Hume’s Aesthetics”
 in *The Korean Companion to Aesthetics*. Seoul National University Press.

IN PREPARATION

- “Profit and the Consequential Benefit of Virtue in *Mengzi* 1A1”
 (under review at *Philosophy East and West* since Sep. 2019)
- “Three Steps of Extension in *Mengzi* 1A7”
- “Confucian Care with Distinctions and Internal Moral Cultivation”
- “No Dilemma of Taste: Hume’s Natural Standard of ‘Taste’”
- “Why We Ought to Cultivate Our Virtue? Hume’s Answer”
- “Environment and Virtue in the Moral Thoughts of *Mengzi* and Hume”

PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 “The Supreme Self-Regarding Virtue: *Mengzi*’s Flood-like *Qi* and Hume’s Greatness of Mind”
 The International Society of East Asian Philosophy, Meiji University, Dec. 14-15, Tokyo, Japan
- “Confucian Care with Distinctions and Internal Moral Self-cultivation”
 Midwest Conference on Chinese Thoughts, North Central College, Apr. 26-27, Naperville, IL
 Invited Lecture, Sungkyunkwan University, May 24, Seoul, Korea
- “Aesthetic Taste and Moral Sentiment in *Mengzi* and Hume”
 Shanghai Eastern Normal University, June 2-3, Shanghai, China
- 2018 “To Be Both Creator and Critic for Self-Cultivation: Aesthetics in the Late Joseon Period”
 World Congress of Philosophy, Peking University, Aug. 13-20, Beijing, China

- 2018 “Environment and Virtue in the Moral Thoughts of Mengzi and Hume”
Pacific APA Conference, SACP panel, Mar. 28-31, San Diego, CA
East-West Philosophers’ Conference, University at Hawaii, May 17-21, 2017, Honolulu, HI
- “Profit and the Consequential Effect of Virtue: *Mengzi* 1A1 Revisited”
Central APA Conference, ISCP panel, Feb. 21-24, Chicago, IL
Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy (SACP) Annual Conference, 2015, Monterey, CA
- 2017 “The Era of Cultural Democracy: the Future Policies of Art and Culture”
Public Forum of the Seoul Foundation Art and Culture, Seoul City Hall of, Nov. 24, Seoul, Korea
- “No Dilemma of Taste: Hume’s Natural Standard of Taste”
International Hume Conference, Brown University, Jul. 17-21, Providence, RI
- “Mirrors for Self-Knowledge: the Significance of Jiyuan Yu’s Comparative Philosophy”
International Society for Chinese Philosophy (ISCP) Conference, Jul. 4-7, NTU, Singapore
- “Mencius and Hume”
Midwest Conference on Chinese Thoughts, Indiana University, Apr. 22-23, Bloomington, IN
- 2016 “The Heart of Compassion: *Mengzi* 2A6 Revisited”
Eastern APA Conference, ISCWP panel, 2017, Baltimore, MD
North Eastern Conference on Chinese Thoughts (NECCT), University of Bridgeport, CT
- “Conceiving Human Nature through Taste: Dasan’s Theory of Human Nature as Taste”
North American Korean Philosophy Association, University of San Francisco, CA
- “Aesthetic and Moral Taste in the Moral Thoughts of Mengzi and Hume”
International Congress of Aesthetics, Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea
- “Moral Artisanship: *Mengzi* 6A7 Revisited”
Pacific APA Conference, ISCWP panel, San Francisco, CA
Midwest Conference on Chinese Thoughts, University of Chicago, IL
- “Dasan’s Notion of Moral Autonomy and Consequential Virtue”
Eastern APA Conference, NAKPA (Korean Philosophy) Panel, Washington, DC
- 2015 “Mengzi’s Maxim for Righteousness: *Mengzi* 2A2 Revisited”
– 2010 Midwest Conference on Chinese Thoughts, 2015, North Central College, Naperville, IL
Pacific APA Conference, ISCP panel, 2014, San Diego, CA
- “Three Steps of Extension: *Mengzi* 1A7 Revisited”
North Eastern Conference on Chinese Thoughts, 2015, Southern Connecticut State University, CT
International Society for Chinese Philosophy (ISCP) Conference, 2013, Buffalo, NY
- “The Minimal Condition of Authenticity”
American Society of Aesthetics Annual Conference, 2012, St. Louis, MO
- “The End of Taste Era: the Conflict over Taste between Hume and Burke”
International Congress of Aesthetics, Peking University, 2010, Beijing, China
- “Sympathy, Heaven, and Nature: the Moral Foundation of Mengzi and Hume”
International Congress of Comparative Literature, Chung-Ang University, 2010, Seoul, Korea

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

The University of Iowa

Chinese Philosophy (SP 19)
The Meaning of Life (Discussion, F 18, SP 19)
The Matters of Life and Death (Discussion, F 18, F19)

Tomson University

Introduction to Philosophy (F 15, SP 16)
Introduction to Ethics (F 15, SP 16)

The State University of New York at Buffalo

Social and Ethical Values in Medicine (SP/SU 11, SU 12)
Critical Thinking (F 08, SP/F 09, SP 10)

Universities in Korea

Graduate Seminar on Empiricism: on Hume's Passions, Seoul National University (SP 18)
Graduate Seminar on Theories of Medical Ethics, Ewha Womans University (SP 18)
History of Western Ethical Ideas, Hallym University (SP 18)
Introduction to Human Science, Korea University (SP 08/9, joint lecture)
Introduction to Aesthetics, Hyupsung University (F 06)
Theory of Art Criticism, Daejin University (F 06)
Introduction to Western Art Theory and History, Daejin University (SP/F 06)

RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2019 Research on the Value of Art in the U.S., Korea Culture & Tourism Institute
2018 Research on the Cultural Policies of the U.S., Korea Culture & Tourism Institute
2017–18 Research Fellow, Ewha Institute for Biomedical Law & Ethics, Ewha Womans University
2017 Research on the Policies about Everyday Art Activities., Korea Culture & Tourism Institute
2007–08 Research Assistant, Department of Philosophy, University at Buffalo
2005–06 Assistant Editor, *The Korean Journal of Aesthetics*, The Korean Society of Aesthetics
2004–06 Administrative Staff, Department of Aesthetics, Seoul National University
2000–03 Intelligence Analyst, Republic of Korea Navy, Discharged as Lieutenant Junior Grade

AWARDS & GRANTS

2017 Post-Doctoral Research Grant of Humanities, National Research Foundation of Korea
2016 Grant for publishing *Those Who Dream of New Art*, Publication Industry Promotion Agency of Korea
2015 3rd Place Prize at Graduate Student Essay Contest, the Society for Asian & Comparative Philosophy
UB Confucius Institute Dissertation Fellowship, Confucius Institute, University at Buffalo
2012 Excellence in Teaching Award, The Graduate School at University at Buffalo
Grant for *Seeing Arts through Philosophical Eyes* from Publication Industry Promotion Agency of Korea
Graduate Student Travel Stipend, American Society of Aesthetics

SERVICE

Referee/Reviewer: *Dao: A Journal of Comparative Philosophy, Philosophy East and West*
Journal of Chinese Philosophy, Journal of Confucian Philosophy and Culture
Sophia: International Journal of Philosophy and Traditions
Korean Journal of Ethics, Korean Journal of Aesthetics

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

American Philosophical Association (APAs), The Hume Society
American Society of Aesthetics (ASA), International Society for Chinese Philosophy (ISCP)
The Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy (SACP)
International Society for Comparative Studies of Chinese and Western Philosophy (ISCWP)
North American Korean Philosophy Association (NAKPA), Korean Society of Aesthetics (KSA)

REFERENCES

Jiyuan Yu (1964-2016)

Former Professor of Philosophy, Director of the Confucius Institute, University at Buffalo

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