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### **Academic Appointments**

Professor of Political Science, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2016 - present

Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2011 - 2016

Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2004 - 2011

Post-Doctoral Fellow, Centre for Security and Defence Studies, Norman Paterson School of  
International Affairs, Carleton University in Ottawa, Canada, 2003 - 2004

Visiting Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Missouri-Columbia, 01/2003 -  
05/2003

### **Education**

Ph.D. in Political Science, University of Missouri-Columbia, December 22, 2002

### **Military Service**

Retired Army Officer

### **Additional Training**

Summer Workshop on Teaching about Terrorism, University of Oklahoma, June 4-11, 2008

### **Publications**

#### Books

- 3) Seung-Whan Choi, et al., eds., 2016, *Korean American Population and Household Statistics in the U.S.A.* (Chicago: Hansa Institute).
- 2) Seung-Whan Choi, 2016, *New Explorations into International Relations: Democracy, Foreign Investment, Terrorism and Conflict* (Athens: University of Georgia Press).
- 1) Seung-Whan Choi and Patrick James, 2005, *Civil-Military Dynamics, Democracy, and International Conflict: A New Quest for International Peace* (New York: Palgrave).

#### Articles

- 36) Seung-Whan Choi, Forthcoming, Article Review of “All Politics is Local: The Domestic Agenda of Terror Groups and the Study of Transnational Attack” by Kirssa Cline Ryckman and Mike Ryckman, 2017, *Journal of Global Security Studies*, V. 2, N. 1, pp. 55-73, H-Diplo, H-Net Reviews.
- 35) Seung-Whan Choi and James Piazza, 2017, “Foreign Military Interventions and Suicide Attacks,” *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, V. 61, N. 2, pp. 271-297.
- 34) Seung-Whan Choi, 2016, “A Menace to the Democratic Peace? Dyadic and Systemic Difference,” *International Studies Quarterly*, V. 60, N. 3, pp. 573-577.
- 33) Seung-Whan Choi and James Piazza, 2016, “Internally-Displaced Populations and Suicide Terrorism,” *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, V.60, N.6, pp.1008-1040.
- 32) Seung-Whan Choi, Patrick James, Yitan Li, and Eric Olson, 2016, “Presidential Approval and Macroeconomic Conditions: Evidence from a Nonlinear Model,” *Applied Economics*, V.48, N.47, pp.4558-4572.
- 31) Geiguen Shin, Seung-Whan Choi, and Shali Luo, 2016, “Do Economic Sanctions impair Target Economies?” *International Political Science Review*, V.37, N.4, pp.485-499.
- 30) Seung-Whan Choi and Patrick James, 2016, “Why does the U.S. intervene Abroad? Democracy, Human Rights Violations, and Terrorism,” *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, V.60, N.5, pp.899-926.
- 29) Seung-Whan Choi and James Piazza, 2016, “Ethnic Groups, Political Exclusion and Domestic Terrorism,” *Defence and Peace Economics*, V.27, N.1, pp.37-63.
- 28) Seung-Whan Choi, 2015, “Economic Growth and Terrorism: Domestic, International, and Suicide,” *Oxford Economic Papers*, V.67, N.1, pp. 157-181.
- 27) Seung-Whan Choi, 2014, “Causes of Domestic Terrorism: Economic Sanctions as a Violence Trigger Structure,” *Korean Journal of International Studies*, V.12, N.1, pp. 137-159.
- 26) Seung-Whan Choi and Shali Luo, 2013, “Economic Sanctions, Poverty, and International Terrorism: An Empirical Analysis,” *International Interactions*, V.39, N.2, pp. 217-245.
- 25) Seung-Whan Choi, 2013, “What determines U.S. Humanitarian Intervention?” *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, V.30, N.2, pp. 121-140.
- 24) Seung-Whan Choi, 2013, “The Democratic Peace through an Interaction of Domestic Institutions and Norms: Executive Constraints and Rule of Law,” *Armed Forces & Society*, V. 39, N. 2, pp. 255-283.
- 23) Seung-Whan Choi and Idean Salehyan, 2013, “No Good Deed goes Unpunished: Refugees, Humanitarian Aid, and Terrorism,” *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, V. 30, N. 1, pp. 53-75.
- 22) Matthew Powers and Seung-Whan Choi, 2012, “Does Transnational Terrorism reduce Foreign Direct Investment? Business-Related versus Non-Business-Related Terrorism,” *Journal of Peace Research*, V. 49, N. 3, pp. 407-422.

- 21) Seung-Whan Choi, 2011, "Re-evaluating Capitalist and Democratic Peace Models," *International Studies Quarterly*, V. 55, N. 3, pp. 759-769.
- 20) Seung-Whan Choi, 2011, Book Review of *Anti-Americanism and the American World Order*, by Giacomo Chiozza, 2009, Johns Hopkins University Press, *Political Psychology*, V. 32, N. 3, pp. 531-533.
- 19) Seung-Whan Choi, 2010, "Fighting Terrorism through the Rule of Law?" *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, V. 54, N. 6, pp. 940-966.
- 18) Seung-Whan Choi, 2010, "Beyond Kantian Liberalism: Peace through Globalization?" *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, V. 27, N. 3, pp. 272-295.
- 17) Seung-Whan Choi, 2010, "Legislative Constraints: A Path to Peace?" *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, V. 54, N. 3, pp. 438-470.
- 16) Seung-Whan Choi, 2009, "Understanding Outliers in Foreign Direct Investment Data Analysis," *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*, V. 4, N. 2, pp. 183-185.
- 15) Seung-Whan Choi, 2009, "The Effect of Outliers on Regression Analysis: Regime Type and Foreign Direct Investment," *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*, V. 4, N. 2, pp. 153-165.
- 14) Seung-Whan Choi and Patrick James, 2008, "Civil-Military Structure, Political Communication, and the Democratic Peace," *Journal of Peace Research*, V. 45, N. 1, pp. 37-53.
- 13) Seung-Whan Choi and Yiagadeesen Samy, 2008, "Reexamining the Effect of Democratic Institutions on Inflows of Foreign Direct Investment in Developing Countries," *Foreign Policy Analysis*, V. 4, N. 1, pp. 83-103.
- 12) Seung-Whan Choi and Patrick James, 2007, "Media Openness, Democracy, and Militarized Interstate Disputes," *British Journal of Political Science*, V. 37, N. 1, pp. 23-46.
- 11) Patrick James, Johann Park, and Seung-Whan Choi, 2006, "Democracy and Conflict Management: Territorial Issue Claims in the Western Hemisphere Revisited," *International Studies Quarterly*, V. 50, N. 4, pp. 803-817.
- 10) Seung-Whan Choi, March 11, 2005. "Let North Koreans open Eyes and Ears." *Korea Herald*.
- 9) Seung-Whan Choi and Patrick James, 2004, "Civil-Military Relations in a Neo-Kantian World, 1886-1992," *Armed Forces & Society*, V. 30, N. 2, pp. 227-254.
- 8) Lael Keiser, Peter Mueser and Seung-Whan Choi, 2004, "Race, Bureaucratic Discretion, and the Implementation of Welfare Reform," *American Journal of Political Science*, V. 48, N. 2, pp. 314-327.
- 7) Seung-Whan Choi and Patrick James, 2003, "No Professional Soldiers, No Militarized Interstate Disputes? A New Question for Neo-Kantianism," *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, V. 47, N. 6, pp. 796-816.
- 6) Jae-Nam Kho and Seung-Whan Choi, 2002, "Russia's Foreign Policy toward South Korea: A Comparison of Soviet and Post-Soviet Dynamics," *East Asian Review*, V. 14, N. 2, pp. 39-60.

- 5) Jae-Nam Kho and Seung-Whan Choi, 2000, "The Dynamics of Civil-Military Relations in Russia and China: A Comparative Analysis based on Theoretical Perspectives," *Sino-Soviet Affairs*, V. 24, N. 2, pp. 181-198.
- 4) Seung-Whan Choi, 2000, Book Review of "Letters from Freedom: Post-Cold War Realities and Perspectives," by Adam Michnik, 1998, University of California Press, *Left History*, V. 7, N. 1, pp. 204-207.
- 3) SungHo Ahn and Seung-Whan Choi, 2000, "A Study on the Nature of the Democratic Peace," *Journal of Social Science*, V. 17, N. 1, pp. 179-200.
- 2) SungHo Ahn and Seung-Whan Choi, 1999, "Chinese *Danwei*-affiliated Business Enterprise System: Organizational Structure and Development," *Journal of Social Science*, V. 16, N. 2, pp. 251-275.
- 1) SungHo Ahn and Seung-Whan Choi, 1999, "The Church, Government, and Solidarity on the Road to Democracy in Poland, 1978-1995," *Journal of Central & East European Studies*, V. 1, pp. 343-369.

### **Conference Papers and Working Paper Series**

- 35) "Military Interventions and Transnational Terrorist Backlash," presented to the International Studies Association Annual Convention, Atlanta, Georgia, March 16-19, 2016.
- 34) "Can Economic Growth help reduce Terrorism," presented to the International Studies Association Annual Convention, New Orleans, Louisiana, February 18-21, 2015.
- 33) "Economic Growth and Terrorism: Domestic, International, and Suicide," presented to the Terrorism and Policy conference in Richardson, Texas, May 21-24, 2014.
- 32) "Civil Liberties, Political Rights, and Terrorism," presented to the International Studies Association Annual Convention, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, March 26-29, 2014.
- 31) "North Korean Provocative Actions: Whom and What to Blame," accepted to the International Studies Association Annual Convention, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, March 26-29, 2014.
- 30) "Foreign Military Intervention and the Strategic Interest of Suicide Terrorists," with James A. Piazza, presented to the American Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois, August 29-September 1, 2013.
- 29) "Why does the U.S. Intervene Abroad? Democracy, Human Rights Violations, and Terrorism," with Patrick James, presented to the American Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois, August 29-September 1, 2013.
- 28) "What explains North Korean Provocative Actions, 1950-2007? An Empirical Analysis," presented to the International Studies Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, California, April 3-6, 2013.
- 27) "From Domestic Political Opposition to Civil War: The Role of Military Rule," accepted to the American Political Science Association Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, August 30-September 2, 2012.
- 26) "Does U.S. Military Intervention Reduce or Increase Terrorism?" presented to the American Political Science Association Conference, Seattle, Washington, September 1-4, 2011.

- 25) "How Effective are Troop Surges against the Menace of Transnational Terrorism?" with Matthew Powers, presented to the American Political Science Association Conference, Seattle, Washington, September 1-4, 2011.
- 24) "Military Interventions as a Cause of Transnational Terrorism?" with Matthew Powers, presented to the American Political Science Association Conference, Washington, D.C., September 2-5, 2010.
- 23) "The Democratic Peace Revisited: It is Veto Players," with George Tsebelis, presented to the American Political Science Association Conference, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, September 3-6, 2009.
- 22) "Foreign Military Influences, the Islamic World, and Transnational Terrorism," with Matthew Powers, presented to the International Studies Association-Midwest Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, November 7-9, 2008.
- 21) "Veto Players, Democracy, and Militarized Interstate Disputes," presented to the American Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois, August 30-September 2, 2007.
- 20) "Domestic Veto Players and Debt Problems: A Curvilinear Relationship," presented to the International Studies Association-Midwest Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, November 3-5, 2006.
- 19) "Democratic Governance and Multinational Corporations Revisited: The 'Direct' Causal Effects of Veto Players and Audience Costs," presented to the International Studies Association-Midwest Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, November 3-5, 2006.
- 18) "Does Democracy Attract or Discourage Inflows of Foreign Direct Investment?" with Yiagadeesen Samy, presented to Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois, April 20-23, 2006.
- 17) "Puzzling Through: The Impact of Regime Type on Inflows of Foreign Direct Investment," with Yiagadeesen Samy, Multinational Enterprises Working Paper 7-2005, Multinational Enterprises and the Global Political Economy (A Program of the Murray Weidenbaum Center on the Economy, Government, and Public Policy at Washington University in St. Louis).
- 16) "Institutionalization of Civil-military Relations and International Conflict: Cross-National Time-Series Analysis," presented to the Triennial Conference on the Research Committee on Armed Forces and Society, International Political Science Association at Shanghai, China, June 27-29, 2005.
- 15) "Puzzling Through: The Impact of Regime Type on Inflows of Foreign Direct Investment," with Yiagadeesen Samy, presented to the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois, April 7-10, 2005.
- 14) "Deepening (or Consolidating) Democracy?" with Christopher F. Gelpi, and Peter D. Feaver, presented to the International Studies Association Annual Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii, March 1-5, 2005.

- 13) "Determinants of Military Manpower System, 1886-1992," with Patrick James, presented to the International Studies Association-Midwest Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, November 5-6, 2004.
- 12) "The Determinants of Military Manpower Systems: A Pooled Time-Series, Cross-National Analysis," with Patrick James, Occasional Paper Series 43, Centre for Security and Defence Studies, Norman Paterson School of International Affairs, Carleton University in Ottawa, Canada.
- 11) "Presidential Approval, Future Economic Security and the Political Use of Force, 1953-1994," with Patrick James and Jean-Sébastien Rioux, presented to the International Studies Association-Midwest Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, November 7-8, 2003.
- 10) "Turbulent Geopolitics in the Korean Peninsula," with Shali Luo, presented to the International Conference of the Canadian Association for Security and Intelligence Studies in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, October 16 to 18, 2003.
- 9) "Race, Bureaucratic Discretion, and the Implementation of Welfare Reform," with Lael Keiser and Peter Mueser, Working Paper 03-07, Economics Department, University of Missouri, Columbia.
- 8) "The Pen is Mightier Than the Sword: Media Openness, Democracy and Militarized Interstate Disputes, 1950-1992," with Patrick James, presented to the International Studies Association-Midwest Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, November 1-2, 2002.
- 7) "Civil-Military Relations, Democratic Peace, and Militarized Interstate Disputes, 1886-1992: Empirical Evidence," presented to the Triennial Conference on the Research Committee on Armed Forces and Society, International Political Science Association at Bucharest, Romania, June 27 to July 3, 2002.
- 6) "Civil-Military Relations, Military Manpower System, and Democratic Peace," presented to the International Studies Association-Midwest Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, November 2-3, 2001.
- 5) "International Politics and the Truman and MacArthur Crisis," presented to the Korean War 50th Anniversary Commemoration and Conference, Ridgway Center for International Security Studies, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, June 15-16, 2000.
- 4) "Russia's Foreign Policy toward South Korea: The Cases of the KAL 007 and Spy Expulsion Incidents," presented to the Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference, Savannah, Georgia, November 3-7, 1999.
- 3) "Russian Security Policy and South Korea: A Comparison of Soviet and Post-Soviet Dynamics," presented to the Triennial Conference on the Research Committee on Armed Forces and Society, International Political Science Association at the Ben Gurion Research Center, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Negev, Israel, July 13-16, 1999.
- 2) "The Church, Government, and Solidarity on the Road to Democracy in Poland, 1978-1995," presented to the Western Social Science Association 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference, Fort Worth, Texas, April 22-24, 1999.

- 1) “The Church, Government, and Solidarity on the Road to Democracy in Poland, 1979-1997,” presented to the Central Slavic Association Conference at Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, Oklahoma, April 23-25, 1998.

## **Classes Taught**

### University of Illinois at Chicago

PolS 578 Democracy, Globalization, and International Conflict (graduate)

PolS 572 International Political Economy (graduate)

PolS 571 Seminar in International Relations (graduate)

PolS 501 Data Analysis II (graduate)

PolS 401 Data Analysis I (graduate)

PolS 389 Democracy, Terrorism, and Globalization (undergraduate)

PolS 384 International Relations Theory (undergraduate)

PolS 284 International Security (undergraduate)

PolS 232 Korean Politics and Films (undergraduate)

### Carleton University in Ottawa, Canada

INAF 5405 International Organizations in International Affairs (graduate)

### University of Missouri, Columbia

PS 101 Democracy, Terrorism, and International Conflict (undergraduate)

### Columbia College

POSC 321A Politics of Developing Nations (undergraduate)

POSC 292 International Relations (undergraduate)

## **Grants and Awards**

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS), University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC),  
Undergraduate Research Initiative (LASURI) Award to Hugh Vondracek for Study of  
Rivalry, Sudan, and War Onset, Fall 2012 – Spring 2013. Faculty Research Fund,  
\$1,500

Campus Research Board Grant, UIC, \$11,758, July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2007

LAS Junior Faculty Research Grant, UIC, \$517.98, Fall 2006, \$651, Fall 2004, and \$750, Fall  
2009

LAS Faculty Foreign Travel Fund, UIC, \$768, Summer 2005  
Office of Social Science Research (OSSR) Seed Grant, UIC, \$6,000, Fall 2004  
Political Science Department Travel Grant, UIC, November 2008, September 2007, April 2006,  
March 2005, September 2009, September 2010, September 2011, September 2013,  
March 2014, February 2015, and March 2016  
Security and Defence Forum (SDF) – International Conference Fund (ICF) by the Canadian  
Department of National Defence, \$1,300 CAD, October 2003 and \$1,100 CAD,  
November 2003  
Korean War 50th Anniversary Commemoration and Conference Travel Grant, Ridgway Center  
for International Security Studies, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania,  
\$1200, June 2000

*Korean Journal of International Studies*, Best Article Award, 2014

*Political Research Quarterly*, Outstanding Reviewer Award, 2012

Frank Klingberg Award (for the best paper presented by a faculty member at the annual meeting  
of the International Studies Association-Midwest), 2003

Nominated for the MU Graduate School Distinguished Doctoral Dissertation Award, 2003

### **Professional Service**

Serving on the editorial board of the journal, *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 2007 - 2009

#### Referee

*American Journal of Political Science*

*American Political Science Review*

*Applied Economics*

*Armed Forces & Society*

*Asian Development Review*

*British Journal of Political Science*

*Bulletin of Economic Research*

*Civil Wars*

*Comparative Political Studies*

*Conflict Management and Peace Science*

*Defence and Peace Economics*

*Economics & Politics*

*Empirical Economics*

*European Journal of International Relations*

*Foreign Policy Analysis*

*German Economic Review*

*International Studies Review*

*International Studies Quarterly*

*Journal of Conflict Resolution*

*Journal of Global Security Studies*

*Journal of Human Rights*

*Journal of International Trade and*

*Economic Development*

*Journal of Peace Research*

*Journal of Political and Military Sociology*

*Journal of Politics*

*Korea Journal*

*Left History*

*Political Research Quarterly*

*Political Studies*

*Politics*

*PS: Political Science & Politics*



<i>Global Change, Peace &amp; Security</i>	<i>Politics &amp; Gender</i>
<i>H-Diplo</i>	<i>Population and Environment</i>
<i>International Interactions</i>	<i>Public Administration</i>
<i>International Journal of Conflict Management</i>	<i>Public Choice</i>
<i>International Journal of Human Resource Management</i>	<i>Studies in Comparative International Development</i>
<i>International Journal of Press/Politics</i>	<i>Southern Economic Journal</i>
<i>International Organization</i>	<i>Social Science Research</i>
<i>International Studies Perspective</i>	<i>Terrorism and Political Violence</i>

## Conference

Section Head for Section 23 Foreign Policy, Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois, April 7-10, 2016

Discussant on the panel, South Korean Domestic and Foreign Policy in Comparative and Regional Perspective, International Studies Association Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, March 16-19, 2016

Program Chair on the Korean Politics panels, organized on behalf of the Association of Korean Political Studies during the International Studies Association Annual Convention, 2013-2015

Chair/discussant on the panel, Terrorism and Counter-terrorism, American Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois, August 29-September 1, 2013

Chair on the panel, Succession Politics in the Korean Peninsula in 2012: Heredity in the North and Elections in the South, American Political Science Association Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, August 30-September 2, 2012

Chair on the panel, Interstate War and Rivalry Processes, American Political Science Association Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, August 30-September 2, 2012

Chair on the panel, Self-Determination and International (In)Security, American Political Science Association Conference, Seattle, Washington, September 1-4, 2011

Chair on the panel, Political Science and the Terrorist Threat, American Political Science Association Conference, Seattle, Washington, September 1-4, 2011

Discussant on the panel, Human Rights in Violent Conflict, American Political Science Association Conference, Seattle, Washington, September 1-4, 2011

Chair/discussant on the panel, The Politics of using and threatening Military Force, American Political Science Association Conference, Seattle, Washington, September 1-4, 2011

Chair/discussant on the panel, Power and Security, International Studies Association-Midwest Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, November 7-9, 2008

Chair on the panel, Financial Crises Compared: Asia and Latin America, Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois, April 20-23, 2006

Chair/discussant on the panel, Global Reactions to Hegemonic and Near-Hegemonic Power, International Studies Association-Midwest Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, November 5-6, 2004

## UIC

Graduate Committee, Fall 2004 – Spring 2008 and Fall 2014 – present

Undergraduate Committee, Fall 2008 – Spring 2010

Standing Faculty International Relations Committee, Chair, Fall 2004 – Spring 2011 and Fall 2012 – present

Screening Committee for Undergraduate International Relations Papers for the Rakove Awards, Spring 2005, Spring 2006, Spring 2008, Spring 2009, Spring 2010, Spring 2013, Spring 2014, Spring 2016, and Spring 2017

Visiting International Relations Search Committee, Spring 2012

International Relations Search Committee, Fall 2004

Executive Committee, Fall 2004 – Spring 2006 and Fall 2008 – Spring 2009

International Studies Faculty Advisory Committee, Fall 2004 – Fall 2005

Ad Hoc Committee on the M.A. Global Affairs Program in the Political Science Department, Spring 2005 – Spring 2007

## Member

American Political Science Association, Association of Korean Political Studies, International Studies Association, International Studies Association-Midwest, Midwest Political Science Association, Research Committee on Armed Forces and Society, International Political Science Association

## Community Service

Hansa institute, Board Member, 2013 – present

Hansa Institute (aka hansawon) is a Section 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization registered with the State of Illinois Office of the Secretary in March 2005. Hansa Institute has been conducting research on various political and economic issues related to the Korean-American community.

## Other Appointments

Visiting Fellow, Samsung Economic Research Institute, Seoul, Korea, May 2005 - June 2005

Sessional Lecturer, Norman Paterson School of International Affairs, Carleton University in Ottawa, Canada, May 2004 - June 2004

Adjunct Faculty, Evening Campus, Columbia College, Columbia, Missouri, October 2002 - May 2003

Statistical Analyst, Research and Evaluation Unit, Department of Social Services, Missouri State Government, October 2000 - July 2003