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EDUCATION

Maxwell School, Syracuse University

Ph.D. Candidate in the Department of Public Administration (2019, expected)

Advisor: Prof. Yilin Hou (*Dissertation: Three Essays on State and Local Finance*)

Seoul National University, South Korea

M.A. Public Administration, Highest Honors, 2013

Korea University, South Korea

B.A. Economics, 2011

RESEARCH INTERESTS

**Public Financial Management, State and Local Public Finance, Local Governance
Health Policy, Public Health Insurance**

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed articles

Hamersma, S., Hou, Y., **Kim, Y.**, & Wolf, D. (2018). Business Cycles, Medicaid Generosity, and Birth Outcomes. *Population Research and Policy Review*, 1-21. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11113-018-9483-3>

· Kwon, H.J., Cook, S. & **Kim, Y.** (2015). Shaping the national social protection strategy in Cambodia: Global influence and National ownership. *Global Social Policy*, 15(2), 125-145.

Article under review - Job market paper

· **‘How Reduction in Mandated Medicaid Spending Affects Local Fiscal Behaviors : Evidence from New York’** (Under review at *International Tax and Public Finance*)

This paper examines the impact of reducing county governments’ Medicaid expenditure on local property tax relief. In 2005, the New York state capped the growth rate of county Medicaid spending which led to a sharp decline in counties Medicaid expenditure. Using difference-in-differences and event study estimators, I finds no evidence of expansion in the total budget, but instead compositional changes within the existing budget constraint. Also, this paper reports that the New York State’s decision to assume parts of the county Medicaid expenditure led to significant property tax relief at the county level. Overall, this study suggests that reallocation of limited state and local resources or fiscal responsibility through changes in cost sharing may have spill-over effects on revenue raising behaviors as well as budgetary decisions.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

‘Impact of reassessment cycle and state aid on assessment outcomes’ (with Yilin Hou)

‘Returns to Scale in Property Assessment : Consolidation of Property Assessment Jurisdiction in New York’ (With Yilin Hou & John Yinger)

‘How Do Local Governments Respond to State Aid Eligibility Requirement : Evidence from Tax Assessing Jurisdictions in New York’

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Yusun Kim, 'State Mandate Relief and Local Property Tax Cut: How Reduction in New York Mandated Medicaid Spending Impacts County Fiscal Behaviors' at the Western Social Science Conference, San Antonio, April, 2018.

Yilin Hou & **Yusun Kim**, 'Tracing the Impact of Countercyclical Fiscal Policy on Employment' at the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Conference, D.C., November, 2016.

Yilin Hou & **Yusun Kim**, 'State Fiscal Reserves and Employment Stabilization: Empirical Tests' at the Association for Budgeting and Financial Management Conference, D.C., October, 2015.

Huckju Kwon, **Yusun Kim** & Sarah Cook, 'Shaping the National Social Protection Strategy in Cambodia: Global Influence and National Ownership of a Policy' at the Social Policy Association, Seoul, July, 2014.

Lai, Ngan-yin Lai & **Yusun Kim**, 'Extending Health Protection to the Informal Economy and the Poor: A Comparative Analysis of Thailand and Indonesia', at the International Labor Office (ILO) Annual Conference on Regulating for Decent Work, Geneva, July, 2011

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant for MPA Quantitative Methods II Spring 2018
(Led exam review sessions for two sections)

Co-instructor for STATA Course, Six-week course Spring 2018
(Prepared course materials and taught the course for three weeks)

Teaching Assistant for Public Budgeting, Summer Session #2 Summer 2015-2017
(Led review sessions for assignments and exams)

Teaching Assistant for Economics for Policy Decision Making Fall 2016
(Lectured a session on public goods and led review sessions for exams, Evaluation 4.68/5)

Co-instructor for Excel Course, Six-week course Fall 2016
(Designed and taught the course for three weeks)

Teaching Assistant for Public Budgeting Fall 2016
(Lectured two sessions on cost analysis and led review sessions)

Instructor for a one-day Executive MPA Math Camp Fall 2015
(Prepared course materials and lectured as the main instructor)

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Associate, Center for Policy Research, Syracuse University 2014-2018

Research Assistant, Economic Budget Analysis Division,
National Assembly Budget Office, Korea 2013-2014

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Best Graduate Paper Honorable Mention Award, Western Social Science Association 2018

Summer Research Award, The Maxwell School, Syracuse University 2014 - 2018

Graduate Associate Award, The Maxwell School, Syracuse University 2014 - 2018

Department Travel Grant, Syracuse University 2014-2018

Highest Honors in Masters of Public Administration, Seoul National University 2013

LANGUAGES & TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

Languages English(Fluent), Korean(Native), Mandarin(HSK6)
Data analysis and skills ArcGIS, L^AT_EX, Stata, SAS, SPSS

REFERENCES

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