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***Curriculum Vitae***  
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## **Education**

### **Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München**

- Title of Dissertation: “Von der Achtung zur Hoffnung: Das höchste Gut und die notwendige Verbindung von Moral und Religion bei Kant“
- Magna Cum Laude
- Dissertation Advisors: PD. Dr. Jörg Noller, Prof. Dr. Thomas Buchheim

### **Seoul National University - Master of Philosophy, February 2018**

- Major: Western Philosophy
- Summa Cum Laude
- Thesis: “On the Issue of Species-Human and Community in Feuerbach’s Philosophy (포이어바흐 철학에서 유적 인간과 인간적 공동체의 문제)”

### **Korea University - Master of Arts, August 2015**

- Major: Chinese Language and Literature
- Minor: Philosophy

## **Publications**

### **Journal Articles**

- (2026). “I Think and I Will: Revisiting Kant’s Concept of Practical Apperception as the Foundation of Personality” (forthcoming)
- (2026). “Metaphysical Foundation of Kantian Desert” (forthcoming)
- (2025). “A Kantian Approach to the Possibility of Mechanical Consciousness”. *Lessico Di Etica Pubblica*, volume 2, 67–76

- (2023). “Der moralisch gebietende Gott: Über den praktischen Gottesbeweis im ersten Konvolut Kants Nachlasswerks”. *Hegel-Studien (Hegel-Yeongu)*, volume 53, 143–173.
- (2022). “Suicide and Default: A Study on Cases of Violation of Perfect Duties in Kant’s Practical Philosophy”. *Journal of Philosophical Ideas*, volume 83, 113–141.
- (2020). “Review on the Duty to Promote the Highest Good in Kant’s Philosophy”. *Philosophical Studies*, volume 62, 1–38.
- (2019). “A Review on Barth-Feuerbach Confrontation: Is God Really the Projection of Human Being?”. *Theoretical Thoughts*, volume 186, 423–456.
- (2019). “Why Should a Moral Person Be Happy?: A Review on the Concept of Worthiness”. *Journal of Philosophical Ideas*, volume 72, 35–68.
- (2018). “Review on the Concept of the ‘Plan of Nature’ in Kant’s Philosophy”. *Journal of Philosophical Ideas*, volume 69, 169–197.

### **Book Sections**

- “From Animals to Algorithms: Extending Kant’s Indirect Duty to Large Language Models” (forthcoming)
- “Das Problem der Objektivität des moralischen Urteils in Kants Ethik” (forthcoming)

### **Selected Works in Progress**

- “Against the Purposeless Chaos: Rational Faith as a Safeguard for Moral Motivation” (under review)
- “Kants Kritik an der rationalen Psychologie und das Problem des prosyllogistischen Schlusses in der transzendentalen Dialektik der KrV“

### **Selected Presentations and Comments, Talks**

#### **Presentations (\*invited)**

##### **In English**

- Apr. 23. 2025: “Can Artificial Intelligence Be Considered a Subject?: A Kantian Analysis of AI Agency,” 8th International Conference of the Spanish Society for Hegel Studies, University of Málaga, Spain.

##### **In German**

- Nov. 20. 2024: “Das Problem der Objektivität des moralischen Urteils in Kants Ethik,” Recht erKant, Universität St. Gallen, Switzerland.
- Sep. 26. 2024: “Ought implies can und Kants Pflicht zur Beförderung des höchsten Guts,” XXVI. Deutscher Kongress für Philosophie, Universität Münster, Germany.

- Sep. 11. 2024: “Macht die Religion Menschen moralisch?: Über die moralische Motivationsfunktion der Religion,” Studierendenkongress vom 14. internationalen Kant-Kongress, Universität Bonn, Germany.

#### In Korean

- Jun. 13. 2026: “Noumenal and Phenomenal Determinations of the Will in Kant’s Ethics (칸트 윤리학에서 의지의 예지적 규정과 현상적 규정),” Annual Summer Conference of the Korean Kant Society, Sogang University, South Korea\*
- Mar. 27. 2026: “From Animals to Algorithms: Extending Kant’s Concept of Indirect Duty to the Ethics of AI (동물에서 인공지능으로: 칸트의 간접 의무 개념을 인공지능 윤리로 확장하기),” Monthly Colloquium at the Institute of Philosophical Studies, Korea University, South Korea\*
- Dec. 13. 2025: “Why the Virtuous Must be Happier?: The Highest Good Thesis in the CPR and Architectonic of Pure Reason, (왜 도덕적인 사람이 더 행복해야 하는가?: 『순수이성비판』의 최고선 명제와 이성의 건축술),” Annual Winter Conference of the Korean Kant Society, Sogang University, South Korea.
- Apr. 20. 2018: “By What Means is Rational Concurrence Possible?: The Concept of Rationality and Anthropological Foundation of Public Sphere in the Philosophy of Ludwig Feuerbach, (이성적 합의는 어떻게 가능한가?: 포이어바흐 철학의 이성성 개념과 공적 영역의 인류학적 정초),” International Conference on the Public Sphere in East Asia, Seoul National University, South Korea.

#### Comments (\*invited)

##### In English

- Nov. 03. 2025: Tommaso Mauri, “Desert and Inequality in Kant: A Theologico-Political Approach,” KantianDESERT Launch Conference, University of Liverpool, UK.

##### In Korean

- Apr. 11. 2026: Ho-Chan Jung, “A Study on the Possibility of Voluntary Self-Awareness in AI’s Ethical Judgment: Focusing on the Case of “Hal 9000” from *2001: A Space Odyssey*, (AI의 윤리적 판단에 대한 자발적 인식의 가능성 고찰 - 『2001 스페이스 오딧세이』의 ‘HAL 9000’의 사례를 중심으로),” Annual Spring Conference of the Korean Kant Society, Sogang University, South Korea\*

#### Employment and Professional Activities

- Sejong University (Visiting Professor, March 2026 – Present)
- Seoul National University (Research Fellow, January 2026 – Present)

- Korea University (Research Fellow, March 2026 – Present)

### **Selected Research Grants**

- SNU Philosophy Fellow Grant, 2025-26.
- Forschungsstipendien – Promotionen in Deutschland, DAAD, 2021-2025.

### **Teaching (Primary Instructor)**

- Western Philosophy: Issue and Debate (Sejong University, Spring 2026 – Present)
- Bio-Medical Ethics (Seoul National University, Spring 2026 – Present)

### **Linguistic Proficiencies**

- Korean (Native)
- English (Fluent)
- German (Fluent)
- Mandarin Chinese (Elementary)