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## GSIS Facilities in Focus

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*For this piece, we sat down with the head GSIS librarian Yohan and student workers who currently run and take care of the wonderful library available to the GSIS students. Students should learn how to take full advantage of the library's services.*

Read the full recap [here](#).

Dear Yonsei GSIS Community,

*Hopefully everyone is returning from Chuseok holiday with refreshed minds and full stomachs. It has been a pleasantly warm September, but now in October we find the temperature dropping fast.*

*October means that we are also moving closer to the midterms, which are supposed to start this week. This earlier week also saw the withdraw period between the 11-13th, so now hopefully you have your daily schedules fully confirmed.*

*Stay healthy and good luck for the midterms!*

*With warm October thoughts,  
Newsletter team*

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## Upcoming Events

### Midterm Exam Period Fall 2017

Wednesday, October 18th - Tuesday, October 24th

### Choi Paul (CLSA)

Date and Time Thursday November 2nd, 12-1pm  
Venue: New Millennium Hall 112

Professor Namuh Rhee has invited Paul Choi, the **head researcher of CLSA Korea** to give an insightful presentation about the life in equity investing. Paul is a professional who has a long career from both sell and buy side and is currently working as the chief researcher for the CLSA (Credit Lyonnais Securities Asia) Korea. The presentation is held as a part of the Accounting and financial analysis course, but is open for all.

### Spring 2018 Open House

Date and Time : Thursday, November 2nd, 2pm  
Venue : New Millennium Hall, Yonsei University

RSVP link and information guidelines are located on the Yonsei GSIS main page.

## September Events Recap

### Peer to Peer

On September 13th, the GSA held their bi-annual event, **Peer-to-Peer night**, shortened to P2P. P2P is an information-centered event for the first-semester students where the **GSA** talks about the upcoming GSA-sponsored **events**, begins **recruitment** for first-semester GSA members, and presents **merchandise** so students can order clothing showing their Yonsei pride!

This semester, about **50 students** attended the event. They all gathered around tables and listened to the GSA presentation and were also offered gimbap and soft drinks. Thank you GSA for all of your hard work!

### CDC Workshop by Namuh Rhee, 20th September

The Career and Development Center hosted two career workshops this month, the first on the 20th and the second on the 28th. Head of the CDC, Namuh Rhee, gave tips and information to the students who attended.

There were some truly valuable pieces of information presented and the students really appreciated what the CDC offered them with the two different workshops. Thinking about your future and career can be stressful so events like the career workshops are certainly worth attending!

### GSIS 30th year Anniversary Conference, September 21st

As a celebration for the 30th year anniversary, a special conference was held with the "**Promoting International Studies in a New Global Environment**" -theme. GSIS invited two distinguished guest speakers to share their thoughts on current issues participate in panel-like discussion with dean **Jongryn Mo** and professor **Yul Sohn**.

First guest speaker, **David Brady from Stanford University**, gave a key note speech with the topic '**Populism, immigration and political disruption**'. He started his topic by explaining the transformations our societies have gone through, explaining that as an aftermath to the industrial

transformation, unemployment became an issue, which has been, in turn, a cornerstone to our current political (often anti-immigrant) sphere. He highlighted the void created - especially in the US- between central and peripheric areas, a void that has been successfully being used for the benefit of "uncorrupted" populists. Brady showed his recent research on for example how Trump's popularity peaked after he focused on the issues created by this void (notably the speech on Mexicans coming and taking the jobs), and how the perception (or disruption) has been created between which parties were traditionally voted by those who are now in the void and the new populist parties.

The second guest speaker, **Joseph Chan from the University of Hong Kong**, approached the topic from a similar perspective with a title '**Populism, polarization and incivility**'. In his speech Chan highlighted that populism is a thin ideology, however dangerous when paired off with polarization. He explained that the current trend seems to divide people into groups of 'politically apathic and not polarized' vs 'interested, somewhat informed and polarized' where the latter groups creates incivility and the first group allows it to happen. Chan concluded his speech by highlighting that the 'winner takes it all' -tactics of todays politics leads to no-winners situation and it could be avoided by simply engaging in civil interactions with those who think differently.

The panel following these key speeches took a take on the future of international studies and the questions from the audience. The topics involved for example the role of international organizations (highlighted by professor Sohn) and the political compromise making (especially multiparty system noted by Brady). As a conclusion to what the current students could do in such a challenging political atmosphere, Brady noted the importance of multidisciplinary studies ('getting outside one's own field') whereas Chan highlighted that "*rather than overtalking about the conflict, universities and students should talk more about compromise.*"

### **GSA Semester Kick Off**

One Wednesday, September 27th, the GSA held their traditional Semester Kick-Off event for **first semester students**. Kick-off is a time where students can **spend time with professors** outside of the classroom. This year was a little different as it was held at **Cafe Hollywood** and was more of a private event, limited to 35 students.

There were 6 professors who attended. Professors Jongryn Mo, John Delury, Sukhee Han, Michael Kim, and head of the CDC, Namuh Rhee. Harim Go, a second semester student and part of the GSA, introduced the professors and gave further information for the first semester students. Dean Mo also gave a short speech. The students and professors had a great time eating and chatting together at this fun little venue.

## **Build your career by Namuh Rhee (Career development center), September 28th**

**Professor Rhee** gave a second "*Build your career*" - lecture Thursday evening. Students from GSIS and UIC alike attended with a big crowd despite the session being so close to Chuseok holidays. Professor Rhee approached the typical applying - interview situations from the employers' perspective, giving valuable information on what applicants should actually be looking into. The CV's worth when having more details and character as well as questions asked by the applicant during an interview were highlighted.

Professor Rhee reminded how important it is to start early (in finance field for example a year in advance!) and how things such as reading newspapers may become an asset, resulting in some baffled looks amongst the audience. Professor concluded his session with Steve Jobs' saying "Stay hungry, stay foolish" - fitting the pizza provided evening meeting well.

## **Membership Training**

It was that time of year again! The GSA held their **Membership Training**, or MT, this past weekend in **Gapyeong**. Blessed with great weather, about **half of the first semester students** attended the fun event where they played games and bonded with each other. The group left early Saturday afternoon and arrived in Gapyeong, ready to have a fun afternoon full of **ice-breakers**. Following the games, everyone joined together and ate barbeque and continue the festivities throughout the night. MT is always a great way to get to know your fellow classmates and upperclassmen. Hopefully everyone made good memories to remember!

## **Alumni and ODAR**

### **Interview with Dr. Donghyu Kim (transcript)**

A recent graduate of the GSIS, **Kim Dong Hyu**, received a Ph.D in International Studies this fall and has launched his career as a professor at the University of Glasgow in September.

Dr. Kim is lecturing international management at the **Adam Smith Business School in Glasgow University**, combining his doctoral studies with his prior study background. Kim Dong Moon is originally a bachelor of

electronic engineering and wanted to broaden his horizon with the field of international studies. Therefore, in Glasgow he plans on exploring the linkage between people, their business environment and national policies.

Dr. Kim has actually not studied abroad, but he says that he was confident in his English competence despite not leaving Korea for studies. English improvements were made by making foreign friends and participating in English discussion whenever opportunities arose. He says that the guidance he got from professor Lee Hee-Jin was crucial and he thinks finding a professor with whom one can explore their full potential is more important than studies done abroad.

Therefore, Kim Donghyu gives advice to his juniors who are worried about studying abroad:

*"It is important to have confidence in yourself rather than going abroad," he says. "If you work hard with self-confidence in the given environment, you can gain advantage" he continues.*

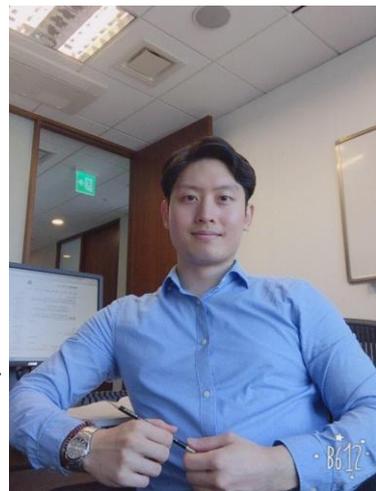
We wish all the best to dr. Kim with his new career in Glasgow.

The original interview (in Korean) can be found [here](#).

## Student Feature

### Jaebum Park

Second-semester GSIS student, **Jaebum "JB" Park**, is majoring in ITFM and has taken full advantage of the finance courses offered at Yonsei. After having enjoyed his first semester courses and knowing he wants to continue into finance, JB sought out an internship at **Mirae Asset Daewoo**, one of Asia's largest financial service groups and the "Goldman Sachs" of Korea. Although the internship's duration was 1 month, JB was able to learn many valuable skills throughout his time as an intern.



He worked in the **Investment Banking Department** and was part of the multi-structured finance team, a group of bright and hard-working individuals. JB said that he learned about true work ethic from his coworkers and how the investment

banking world is run. JB's main responsibilities were analyzing their client companies' **financial statement and due diligence**.

The main take back from his time as an intern was how to properly read finance statements and how to value companies, both of which he believes will further propel him into the finance world in the future. After working hard, Jaebum is excited to see how his experience as an intern will help him in his courses this semester. Great job JB!

### Jeehyun Yeom (Lydia)



Currently in her second semester, **Jeehyun Yeom** recently finished her internship at the **Korean National Assembly**. Originally encouraged by her parents and backed up by her prior knowledge on the US law, Jeehyun landed a position of a **legal assistant to congresswoman and spokesperson Baek Hyeryun** of the Democratic party (더불어민주당, also known

as Minjoo).

During her **two months** internship Jeehyun was tasked with three main responsibilities: daily newspaper analysis, legislative issue proposals and assisting in the hearing of the Attorney General nominee. The timing of her internship, with president Moon's nomination for the new Attorney General as well as North Korea tensions, made the day-to-day chores intriguing.

What came as an initial surprise, was the gap between what can be seen via medias and how things are prepared in reality. The amount of negotiating was especially an **eye-opener** for Jeehyun. Due to this characteristic, especially people skills and team work were essential for the position. Jeehyun also benefit from her English skills and for the preparatory work, the prior law studies came in handy.

When asked whether Jeehyun would like to continue working in the politics, she gives a firm "99% no" stating the lack of privacy and amount of stress such a career may bring as her reasons.

## In the Public Eye

**September 28th to 29th the North-East Asia Development Cooperation Forum 2017** was held in **Moscow**. Professor **Heejin Lee**, the current president of the Korea Association of International Development Cooperation, moderated the second session of the first day, titled "*Development cooperation to strengthen resilience*."

Furthermore, professor **Tae Yong Jung** was invited to the Forum, to give a presentation on the 28th and later on participate in the discussion at session moderated by professor Lee.

The forum was held for the fourth time, and it is striving to create a platform for experts and policymakers alike to review and analyze trends while finding new forms of cooperation between the North-East Asian countries.

Details of this event can be found [here](#).

On **September 25th**, professor **John Delury** was asked for a statement on the controversial North Korean travel ban Trump's administration created. **The Washington Post** states that the executive order was an extension to the earlier ban, and merely symbolic due to the lack of inbounds, as professor Delury highlights.

The full piece can be accessed [here](#).

Visiting professor **Alexis Dudden** has published an analysis on the **Dissent Magazine's Fall 2017** issue published in **September**. Professor Dudden's piece describes and analyses the political turbulence, started in 2016, and how the Korean society has been able to overcome the issue. In her piece, the analysis on the issues that led to the turbulence are looked at from a longer temporal perspective, giving a more comprehensive briefing on how the Korean society has moved with its political situations.

The full piece can be found [here](#).

## **Jobs and Opportunities**

### **McKinsey Young Leadership Programme Fellowship (in Karachi), October 20th**

McKinsey's pre-associate programme is looking for Master's students and recent graduate to the **Young leaders programme**, which can be expected to lead to a Junior Associate / Senior Fellow position after successful completion. The position includes tasks in gathering and analyzing

information, formulating and testing hypotheses, and developing and communicating recommendations. The position involves also training and coaching by fellow team members as well as support from the local office in Karachi, Pakistan.

The details for the position can be found [here](#). The deadline for applications is **20th of October**.

#### **United Nations University Junior Fellow, October 29th**

The Tokyo-based think tank and post-graduate teaching organisation is looking for a junior fellow for an internship-like position to **the Office of Rector**. The position includes tasks in research, executive brief preparation, drafting and coordination. The applicant must be under 32 years old, soon-to-be graduate or a recent graduate, not more than 5 years of experience in his or her field, excellent research and writing skills, creativity in problem-solving and nearly fluent written and spoken English.

The details for the application process can be found [here](#), and applications should not be sent later than **29th of October**. The position includes a stipend.

#### **J.P. Morgan 2018 Markets summer analyst, October 29th**

The sales businesses team of J.P.Morgan is looking for **an analyst for the coming summer 2018**. This 10 weeks position requires a minimum GPA of 3.2/4, graduation between 2018-2019, exceptional quantitative and analytical skills, interest in the financial markets and economic data. Fluency in Mandarin or other Asian language is considered an asset.

Find the details at <http://www.jpmorganchase.com/careers>, and apply latest at **29th of October**.

#### **Brookings Institute full-time position (Washington), October 29th**

The Brookings Institute is looking for a **Development officer of Operations**. This position means overseeing fundraising administration (including grant writing, database systems, prospect research and tracking, and stewardship) as well as ensuring smooth running of operations and effective flow of information. The development officer also acts as liaison and the problem-solver while also being partially responsible for financial administration and business planning. The position requires minimum six years of relevant administrative experience, prior knowledge on business process improvement and system enhancement as well as customer relationship management (CRM) tools.

The position can be applied by submitting a cover letter and resume

to <http://www.click2apply.net/zxwp6r4w2b3ytpv2>, **29th od October** the latest.

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Please visit Yonsei's main career website [here](#) to view more information --> this system is available to current students and requires a login. After logging in, navigate to 채용공고 --> 인턴십 to reach the internship board.

Log into GSIS's Career Development Center [website](#) to see more employment opportunities.