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Education

Aug. 2024 –	Syracuse University , NY, USA Ph.D. in Human Development and Family Science Certificate of Advanced Study (CAS) in Population Health and Aging
Mar. 2022 – Feb. 2024	Seoul National University (SNU) , Seoul, Republic of Korea M.A. in Child Development and Family Studies Thesis Trends and characteristics of four types of familial financial support among Korean sandwiched middle-aged adults
Mar. 2018 – Feb. 2022	Seoul National University (SNU) , Seoul, Republic of Korea B.A. in Child Development and Family Studies Minor in Psychology Thesis Influence of COVID-19 on high school students' stress and communication with parents

Research Interests

Intergenerational relationships and transfers, Middle-aged and older adults, Family policies and demography, Late-life employment, Grandparenting, Quantitative analysis

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

Barbano, L., Choi, H., Park, J., **Cho, H.**, You, H., & Jeon, S. (2025). The Korean Case: Understanding Declining Fertility and Family Size. *IFFD Papers*. 152. <https://familyperspective.org/2025/05/04/iffd-papers-152-the-korean-case/>

Cho, H. (2025). Younger Grandparents Provide Less Support to their Grandchildren Now than in the Past, but Support among Older Grandparents Has Remained Stable. *Population Health Research Brief Series*. 273. <https://doi.org/10.14305/rt.lerner.2025.8>

Kim, N., **Cho, H.**, & Kim, K. (2024). The role of social media communication in the association between widowhood and depressive symptoms. *OMEGA– Journal of Death and Dying*. Advance online publication. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00302228241307774>

Cho, H., & Chin, M. (2024). Trends and characteristics of four types of familial financial support among Korean sandwiched middle-aged adults. *Korea Journal of Population Studies*, 47(3), 93–115. <https://doi.org/10.31693/KJPS.2024.09.47.3.4>

Cho, H., & Chin, M. (2024). Relationship between fathers' employment characteristics at first childbirth and having a second child: Family-friendly policies and job satisfaction. *Journal of Family Policy*, 4(1), 25–44. <https://doi.org/10.52946/jfp.2024.4.1.25>

Cho, H., Kim, N., & Kim, K. (2024). The role of late-life work among widowed adults in Korea: A buffer or burden for widow(er)s' health? *Journal of Applied Gerontology*, 43(11), 1621–1629. <https://doi.org/10.1177/07334648241249619>

Kim, Y., **Cho, H.**, & Chin, M. (2023). Big data analysis on news article of Korean one-person households: Before and after the COVID-19 pandemic. *Journal of Families and Better Life*, 41(4), 25–36.

<https://doi.org/10.7466/JFBL.2023.41.4.25>

Cho, H., & Chin, M. (2023). Characteristics and life satisfaction of young adults living with their parents by relative income status. *Journal of Families and Better Life*, 41(3), 81–93.

<https://doi.org/10.7466/JFBL.2023.41.3.81>

Academic Presentations

Choi, H., Barbano, L., Park, J., **Cho, H.**, You, H., & Jeon, S. (Forthcoming). A Scoping Review of Fertility Behaviors in South Korea: Re-centering Sociocultural Determinants.

- Submitted the abstract for the paper presentation at the “National Council on Family Relations (NCFR)” 2025 Annual Conference

Cho, H., & García, C. (Forthcoming). Grandparenting Styles in the U.S.: Patterns of Intergenerational Support and Their Predictors.

- Submitted the abstract for the paper presentation at the “Gerontological Society of America (GSA)” 2025 Annual Scientific Meeting

Cho, H., Chin, M., & García, C. (Nov, 2024). Four Types of Financial Support among “Sandwiched” Middle-Aged Adults: Life and Family Relationship Satisfaction.

- Poster Presented at the GSA 2024 Annual Scientific Meeting
- <https://doi.org/10.1093/geroni/igac098.4194>

Cho, H., Kim, N., & Kim, K. (Nov, 2023). The Role of Late-Life Work Among Korean Widowed Adults.

- Poster Presented at the GSA 2023 Annual Scientific Meeting
- <https://doi.org/10.1093/geroni/igad104.2510>
- Paper Submitted in the Peer-Reviewed Journal

Kim, N., Kim, Y., **Cho, H.**, & Kim, K. (Nov, 2023). The Role of Social Media Communication in the Association Between Widowhood and Depressive Symptoms.

- Poster Presented at the GSA 2023 Annual Scientific Meeting
- <https://doi.org/10.1093/geroni/igad104.2155>
- Paper Submitted in the Peer-Reviewed Journal

Chin, M., Noh, S., & **Cho, H.** (Nov, 2023). Family Center Users’ Program Needs: Differences by Gender, Age, and Family Structure.

- Poster Presented at the “Korean Association of Family Relations” 2023 Fall Conference

Cho, H., & Chin, M. (Jun, 2023). Longitudinal effects of family-friendly policies in the workplace and job satisfaction on the second childbirth: Focusing on the PPCT model.

- Poster Presented at the “Society for the Study of Family Policy” 2023 Spring Conference

Seo, W., & **Cho, H.** (Nov, 2022). Experience of families affected by adverse reactions to the COVID-19 vaccine: Qualitative content analysis of the media coverage.

- 2022 COVID-19 Student Essay Contest (organized by Institute of Health & Environment, SNU)
- Won 3rd prize

Cho, H., & Chin, M. (Oct, 2022). The heterogeneity in relative income status among young adults living with parents.

- Poster Presented at the “Association of Families and Better Life” 2022 Fall Conference
- Won Excellence Award in Poster Session

Kim, Y., **Cho, H.**, & Chin, M. (Oct, 2022). Analysis of one-person household issues during the COVID-19 pandemic using big data.

- Poster Presented at the “Association of Families and Better Life” 2022 Fall Conference

Cho, H., & Chin, M. (May, 2022). Three types of young adults living with parents, and their psychological well-being.

- Poster Presented at the “Society for the Study of Family Policy” 2022 Spring Conference
- Won Excellence Award in Poster Session

Research Experiences

- Feb. 2025 – Comparing Neighborhood Indices for Predicting Mortality Among Puerto Rican Older Adults**
Research Assistant | Advisor: Dr. Catherine García
- Literature review about six neighborhood indices in various aging-related research
- Jan. 2025 – Measuring Aging-Related Neighborhood Characteristics in Puerto Rico Using Google Street View, SU**
Research Assistant | Advisor: Dr. Catherine García
- Funded from the Network for Innovative Methods in Longitudinal Aging Studies which is sponsored by the National Institute on Aging (NIA) (Grant #R24AG077012)
- Sep. 2024 – Korean Fertility Research Team**
- Submitted the proposal “A Scoping Review of Fertility Behaviors in South Korea: Re-centering Sociocultural Determinants” for the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR) 2025 conference
- Apr. 2023 – Oct. 2023 Research of Needs and Satisfaction in Family Policy, SNU**
Research Assistant | Advisor: Dr. Meejung Chin
- Funded by Seoul Family Center
 - Report title “Research on family policy needs and satisfaction levels, 2023” (100+ pages)
 - Used mixed-method research—conducted on-line surveys among 500+ Family Center users and 200+ Family Center employees, and focus-group interviews among 8 Family Center employees
- Mar. 2022 – Dec. 2022 HumEc Inno-Edu 2031, SNU**
Research Assistant | Advisor: Dr. Jaerim Lee
- Conducted an on-line survey among 200 undergraduate students majoring in Child Development and Family Studies and analyzed the data to identify their satisfaction in major, expected career paths, college adjustment etc.
- Mar. 2022 – Feb. 2024 Family Policy Lab, SNU**
Research Assistant | Advisor: Dr. Meejung Chin
- Thesis title “Changes in characteristics of “Sandwich Generation” in Korea: Family structure and financial burden”, using 9th wave and 24th wave of *Korean Labor and Income Panel Study*
- Sep. 2021 – Dec. 2021 University of Maryland (UMD) Extension, Family & Consumer Sciences**
Research Assistant | Advisor: Dr. Heejung Song
- Conducted a literature review about food insecurity
 - Involved in project titled “2021 DASH Plus”, and analyzed the pre-session survey and post-session survey data using paired *t*-tests with Python
 - Participated in regular on-line meetings with Dr. Song and UMD students
- Mar. 2019 – Sep. 2019 50th Anniversary Academic Symposium College of Human Ecology, SNU**
Researcher | Advisor: Dr. Grace H. Chung
- Research title “Effects of individual, family, and social factors on university students’ attitude towards marriage: moderating effect of gender” (70+ pages)
 - Used mixed-method research—conducted an on-line survey among 900+ university students and interviewed 7 university students
 - Especially contributed on quantitative analysis using hierarchical regression models
 - Presented on 50th Anniversary Symposium of the College of Human Ecology, SNU

Teaching Experiences

Spring 2025, SU	[HFS 363] Midlife Development and Gerontology Teaching Assistant Advisor: Dr. Merrill Silverstein
Fall 2024, SU	[HFS 201] Family Development Teaching Assistant Advisor: Dr. Matthew Mulvaney
Fall 2023, SNU	[357.421A] Practicum in Family Studies Teaching Assistant Advisor: Dr. Meejung Chin
Spring 2023, SNU	[357.424] Family Policy Teaching Assistant Advisor: Dr. Meejung Chin
Fall 2022, SNU	[M2808.002500] Quantitative Research in Child and Family Studies Teaching Assistant Advisor: Dr. Meejung Chin
Spring 2022, SNU	[045.029] Marriage and Family Teaching Assistant Advisor: Dr. Young Joo Nam

Service to Profession

Apr. 2025 –	Abstract Reviewer for Gerontological Society of America
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Scholarships and Prizes

Scholarship		
Fall	2023	Seoul National University Foundation Scholarship, SNU
Prize		
Feb.	2023	Excellent Graduate Student Award, Department of Child Development and Family Studies
Nov.	2022	3rd prize in 2022 SNU COVID-19 Student Essay Contest
Oct.	2022	Excellence Award in Poster Session, Association of Families and Better Life
May.	2022	Excellence Award in Poster Session, Society for the Study of Family Policy
Nov.	2021	First Prize in the Bachelor's Degree Graduation Thesis, Division of Consumer and Child Studies

Qualifications

Survey Analyst, Junior (23202013937Z): Certified by Statistics Korea, Republic of Korea