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Education

University of Michigan Ph.D. in Social Work & Sociology Advisor: Linda M. Chatters & Pamela J. Smock	Ann Arbor, MI, U.S. 2024–Present
Korea University M.S. in Public Health Sciences Advisor: Jinho Kim	Seoul, South Korea 2023
Korea University B.A. in Public Health (Double Major: Sociology)	Seoul, South Korea 2021
Lund University Exchange Student	Lund, Sweden 2020

Research Interests

Population Health | Family Demography | Life Course | Gender

Publications (* = Co-first authorship)

Peer-reviewed Articles

- [1] **Song, K.**, Jang, H., & Kim, J. (2026). Adolescent Depressive Symptoms and Material Hardship in Adulthood: Exploring Human Capital and Socio-Emotional Capital as Mechanisms. *Society and Mental Health*. (forthcoming).
- [2] Jang, H., **Song, K.**, & Kim, J. (2025). Unraveling Gender and Racial/Ethnic Differences in the Life Course Pathways From Adverse Childhood Experiences to Economic Disadvantage in Adulthood. *Child Abuse & Neglect*.
- [3] Park, G.R. *, **Song, K.** *, & Kim, J. (2025). How Do Family-Friendly Policies Impact Marital Satisfaction: A Mediation Analysis of Korean Working Women. *Journal of Family Issues*.
- [4] **Song, K.**, Lee, M.A., & Kim, J. (2024). Double Jeopardy: Exploring the Moderating Effect of Educational Mismatch in the Relationship Between Work-Family Conflict and Depressive Symptoms Among Korean Working Women. *Social Science & Medicine*.
- [5] **Song, K.**, & Kim, J. (2023). Widowhood and Functional Impairments: Gender-Specific Trajectories of Sensory and Masticatory Functions. *Ageing & Society*.
- [6] **Song, K.**, & Kim, J. (2023). Prolonged Exposure to Intimate Partner Violence and Depressive Symptoms among Korean Married Couples: The Intersection of Gender and Education.

Society and Mental Health.

- [7] Kim, J., **Song, K.**, & Sutin, A. (2021). Gender differences in the relationship between perceived discrimination and personality traits in young adulthood: Evidence using sibling fixed effects. *Social Science & Medicine.*

Working Papers

- Li, L. W., Kayser, J., **Song, K.**. Effects of Social Isolation on All-Cause Mortality in Older Adults: Do Age and Gender Matter? (*Under Review*)
- Kim, J., **Song, K.**, & Nam, N. Perceived Social Isolation in Adolescence and Adult Memory Performance: A Life Course Framework Using Sibling Fixed Effects and Mediation Analysis. (*Under Review*)

Public Writing

- **Song, K.** (2026). Between Work and Retirement: Workforce Training Programs for Older Adults in the United States. *Welfare Journal.* (in Korean)
- **Song, K.** (2025). Designing Multigenerational Collaboration in the Long-Term Care Workforce: Addressing Conflict and Coexistence. *Welfare Journal.* (in Korean)
- Park, S., **Song, K.**, O'Brien, M., & Elliott, W. (2025). *Building a Brighter Future: Design and Implementation of CollegeBound Saint Paul and CollegeBound Boost.* Center on Assets, Education, & Inclusion, University of Michigan.
- **Song, K.** (2025). Local Contexts Decide: The Field-Based Nature of U.S. Elderly Welfare Policy. *Welfare Journal.* (in Korean)
- **Song, K.** (2025). The Right to Prepare for Death: Learning from End-of-Life Care in the U.S. *Welfare Journal.* (in Korean)

Selected Conference Presentations

- **Song, K.**, & Smock, P. (2026, May). Gender and the Economic Consequences of Divorce in South Korea. (Poster scheduled). *Population Association of America Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO, U.S.*
- **Song, K.**, & Min, S. (2026, January). Asymmetric and directional effects of work-family conflict on depressive symptoms among married working women in South Korea. (Poster). *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, Washington, DC, U.S.*
- Li, L. W., Kayser, J., & **Song, K.**. (2025, November). Effects of social isolation on all-cause mortality in older adults: Do age and gender matter? (Poster). *Gerontological Society of America Scientific Meeting, Boston, MA, U.S.*
- **Song, K.**, & Kim, J. (2022, November). Prolonged exposure to intimate partner violence and depressive symptoms among Korean married couples: The intersection of gender and education. (Poster). *American Public Health Association Annual Meeting & Expo, Boston, MA, U.S.*

Awards & Fellowships

W. K. Kellogg Family Endowed Fellowship, University of Michigan	Nov 2025
Rackham Conference Travel Grant, University of Michigan	Sep 2025
Karl C.K. Ma Endowed Graduate Scholarship, University of Michigan	Fall 2025
ISR-Rackham Summer Training Award, University of Michigan	Mar 2025
John and Penny Tropman Conference Grant, University of Michigan	Jan 2025
YS Hwang Award, University of Michigan	Fall 2024
Young Fellowship, Peoples Health Institute	Sep 2023
Brain Korea 21 Four Fellowship, National Research Foundation of Korea	2021–2023
Deans List, Korea University	Fall 2020

Research Experience (* =Nonprofit Organization)

School of Social Work Graduate Research Assistant Principal Investigator: Linda M. Chatters	University of Michigan Sep 2025–Present
Department of Sociology Graduate Research Assistant Principal Investigator: Pamela J. Smock	University of Michigan Jan 2025–Present
School of Social Work Graduate Research Assistant Principal Investigator: Sunggeun Park	University of Michigan Dec 2024–Aug 2025
Peoples Health Institute* Young Fellow	Sep 2023–Aug 2024
Health Sociology & Demography Lab Research Assistant (Undergraduate and Graduate) Principal Investigator: Jinho Kim	Korea University Jan 2021–Aug 2024
Integrated Health and Care Organization* Social Work Program Research Assistant	Oct 2020–Feb 2021

Teaching Experience

Health Demography Teaching Assistant	Korea University Fall 2021
Statistics Teaching Assistant	Korea University Summer 2021

Professional Service

Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program
Research Symposium Judge

University of Michigan
Spring 2025

Jewish Family Services of Washtenaw County
MSW Intern

University of Michigan
Jan 2025–Aug 2025

Professional Memberships

Population Association of America; Gerontological Society of America; Society for Social Work and Research

Peer Review Service

Journal Review: Society and Mental Health

Abstract Review: Population Association of America Annual Meeting (2026)

Skills

Statistical Software: Stata, R

References

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