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EDUCATION

Exp. 2027 **Ph.D.** Political Science, Washington University in St. Louis
2022 **M.A.** Political Science, Seoul National University
2019 **B.A.** Political Science, *summa cum laude*, Seoul National University

RESEARCH AREAS

Substantive: International relations, comparative politics, gender and politics
Methodological: Computational text analysis, experimental methods

DISSERTATION

The Reservist State: How Geopolitical Rivalry Undermines Women's Representation
Committee: [Diana Z. O'Brien](#), [Carly Wayne](#), [Jacob Montgomery](#)

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

[1] How Emphasizing Women's Wartime Victimization Shapes Perceptions of Their Leadership Potential
Journal of Peace Research, forthcoming

UNDER REVIEW

- [4] How Geopolitical Rivalry Undermines Women's Representation
- [3] Democratic Backsliding, Resilience, and Gendered Models of Leadership in South Korea
with [Diana Z. O'Brien](#)
- [2] Women on the Frontlines: Military Conscription and Perceptions of Women's Political Leadership
with [Carly Wayne](#)
- [1] Framing Solidarity: How Media Portrayals of Protest Shapes Support for Gender Equality Policies
with [Dahjin Kim](#)

WORKING PAPERS

- [4] Reservist Belief and Bias Against Women's Political Leadership

- [3] Can a Woman be Secretary of Defense? Public Perceptions of the Appointment of a Woman Defense Minister
with [Tiffany D. Barnes](#), [Bomi Lee](#), and [Diana Z. O'Brien](#)
- [2] Gendered Political Accountability and Asymmetric Blame Extension
with [Diana Z. O'Brien](#)
- [1] Internet Access and Political Engagement: Evidence from South Africa
with [Anna M. Wilke](#), [Georgiy Syunyaev](#), [Benjamin Laughlin](#), and [Kholekile Malindi](#)

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2026 APSA Travel Grant (\$200)
- 2026 Dissertation Support Grant, Washington University in St. Louis (\$5,000)
- 2025 National Science Foundation (NSF) RAPID Grant, with [Diana Z. O'Brien](#) (\$92,523)
- 2024 Weidenbaum Center Research Grant, with [Carly Wayne](#) (\$13,934)
- 2024 Graduate Student Seed Grant, Washington University in St. Louis (\$1,500)
- 2024 Transdisciplinary Institute in Applied Data Sciences (TRIADS) Graduate Fellowship, Washington University in St. Louis (\$14,580)
- 2020 Scholarship for the Most Prospective Graduate Student, Seoul National University (\$3,000)

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- Peace Science Society 2025 (paper)
- Women in Legislative Studies 2025 (paper)
- Southern Political Science Association 2026 (paper)
- International Studies Association 2026 (paper)
- Midwest Political Science Association 2026 (paper)
- Midwest Workshop in Empirical Political Science 2026 (paper)
- Empirical Study of Gender Research Network 2026 (poster)
- PolMeth 2026 (poster, planned)
- Visions of Methodology 2026 (paper, planned)
- American Political Science Association 2026 (paper, planned)
- ESOC-ReCIPE Annual Meeting 2026 (paper, planned)

TEACHING

Independent Instructor

- 2024 Intermediate R for Data Visualization and Management
[TRIADS](#) Training Series, Washington University in St. Louis
- 2024 Data Analysis and Visualization in R
[TRIADS](#) Training Series, Washington University in St. Louis

Assistant Instructor

- 2026 Defendant's Rights (undergraduate)
Instructor: **James Springgs**, Washington University in St. Louis
- 2025 United Nations Institutions and Processes (undergraduate)
Instructor: **Stephanie Shady**, Washington University in St. Louis
- 2025 Quantitative Political Methodology (undergraduate; lab instructor)
Instructor: **Ted Enamorado**, Washington University in St. Louis
- 2024 Psychology of War (undergraduate)
Instructor: **Carly Wayne**, Washington University in St. Louis
- 2023 Power, Justice, and City (undergraduate)
Instructor: **Clarissa Hayward**, Washington University in St. Louis

DISCIPLINARY SERVICE

Journal Reviewer *Legislative Studies Quarterly, Political Studies*

SKILLS

Language: Korean (native), English (fluent)

Computing: R, Python

Fieldwork: Korea (2025), South Africa (2023-2025)

Updated June 2026