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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2025-Present **Assistant Professor**
School of Social Work and Human Services, Troy University, Troy, AL
- 2022-2024 **Adjunct Instructor**
School of Social Work, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

EDUCATION

- 2024, December **Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work**
The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
Dissertation title: A Mixed Methods Approach to Korean-Youth Mental Health First Aid (K-YMHFA): A Pilot Study
Co-Chairs: Lewis Lee, Hee Yun Lee
Committee: Hyunjin Noh, Nahree Doh, Rebecca Allen
- 2019, August **Master of Social Work** (*Advanced Standing*)
The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
- 2017, December **Bachelor of Social Work** (*Minor: Psychology*)
The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
- 2017, May Semester Study Abroad
Korea University, South Korea (*Veritas Christian Study Abroad*)

TEACHING INTERESTS

Introduction to Social Work; Introduction to Social Work Research; Qualitative Research Methods; Mixed Methods; Community-Based Participatory Research

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Health Disparity; Mental Health; Immigrant and Refugee Population; Community-Based Participatory Research; Mixed Methods Research; Culturally Responsive Practice; Evidence-Based Intervention

PUBLICATIONS

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS, *Corresponding author

26. Lee, H. Y., Woo, J., Lu, J., & **Won, C. R.** (2026). Unveiling protective and risk factors: Korean Americans in the southeastern United States and their encounters with discrimination during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Journal of Evidence-Based Social Work*, 1–25. <https://doi.org/10.1080/26408066.2026.2651142>
25. Lee, H. Y., Luo, Y., **Won, C. R.**, Woo, J., Lee, J., Baik, J., & Kim, Y. S. (2025). Association between social media use for health purpose and depressive symptoms. *American Journal of Health Behavior*, 49(5): 507-520. <https://doi.org/10.5993/AJHB.49.5.2>

24. Lee, H. Y., Malele, K. P., **Won, C. R.**, da Luz Scherf, E., & Park, G. Y. (2025). Empowering rural Alabama: The critical role and challenges of community health providers in healthcare delivery during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Social Welfare Policy and Practice*, 11 (2), 49-90
23. **Won, C. R.***, Lee, H., Lee, H. Y., Noh, H., Doh, N., & Allen, R. S. (2025). A mixed methods approach to Korean-Youth Mental Health First Aid (K-YMHFA): A pilot study. *Journal of Evidence-Based Social Work*, 22(2), 292-314. <https://doi.org/10.1080/26408066.2025.2456756>
22. Woo, J., Lu, J., **Won, C. R.**, & Lee, H. Y. (2024). The relationship between perceived discrimination and depression among Korean Americans living in the Deep South: Social support as a mediator. *Journal of the Society for Social Work and Research*. <https://doi.org/10.1086/734179>
21. Noh, H., Suntai, Z., **Won, C. R.**, Jeong, H., & Lee, L. (2024). A qualitative exploration of rural older adults' experiences with pain from chronic illnesses and its treatment. *Research on Aging*, 46(9-10), 468-479. <https://doi.org/10.1177/01640275241246279>
20. Eyer, J. C., **Won, C. R.***, Sawyer, M., Luo, Y., Wang, K., Chipalo, E., Thomas-LeBlanc, G., & Lee, H. Y. (2023). A qualitative study of barriers and facilitators to opioid prevention, treatment, and recovery in rural Alabama. *Qualitative Health Report*. 28(11), 3358-3378. <https://doi.org/10.46743/2160-3715/2023.5915>
19. Lee, H. Y., Kois, L., Wang, K., **Won, C. R.***, Han, A., & Allen, R. S. (2023). Correlations between social determinants of health and technology access among rural African American Alabamians. *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*, 34(1), 21-34. <https://doi.org/10.1353/hpu.2023.0003>
18. Lee, H. Y., Luo, Y., **Won, C. R.**, Daniel, C., & Coyne-Beasley, T. (2023). HPV and HPV vaccine awareness among African Americans in the Black Belt region of Alabama. *Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40615-023-01562-0>
17. Lee, H. Y., **Won, C. R.**, Luo, Y., & Lee, M. H. (2023). Human Papillomavirus (HPV) and HPV vaccine awareness among Korean American immigrants in Alabama: Would internet use improve health awareness? *Asian Pacific Journal of Cancer Prevention*, 24(8), 2575–2581. <https://doi.org/10.31557/APJCP.2023.24.8.2575>
16. Nam, Y., Choi, E. Y., **Won, C. R.** & Lee, H. Y. (2023). The role of racial/ethnic discrimination in financial access and material hardship: Findings from Korean immigrants living in the Deep South. *Journal of Consumer Affairs*, 57(4), 1547-1575. <http://doi.org/10.1111/joca.12559>
15. Roh, S., Lee, H. Y., Jun, S. J., Lee, Y-S., & **Won, C. R.** (2023). Andersen's behavioral model to identify correlates of cervical cancer knowledge among American Indian women. *Asian Pacific Journal of Cancer Prevention*, 24(4), 1151-1157. <https://doi.org/10.31557/APJCP.2023.24.4.1151>
14. Lee, H. Y., Wang, K., Choi, E. Y., Gajos, J. M., & **Won, C. R.*** (2022). Opioid literacy among African Americans living in rural Alabama: Findings from a social determinants of health (SDH) framework. *Journal of Drug Issues*, 53(1). <https://doi.org/10.1177/00220426221093610>
13. Lee, H. Y., Choi, E. Y., **Won, C. R.**, Song, J., & Gajos, J.M. (2021). Opioid literacy of Korean Americans in rural Alabama: Addressing the role of social determinants of health. *Journal of Transcultural Nursing*, 32(6), 727-739. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1043659621995902>
12. Lee, H. Y., **Won, C. R.**, Hao, Z., Luo, Y., Allen, R., & Jones, S. (2021). Attitude and responses to the pandemic and COVID – 19 vaccination in rural Alabama: The importance of transportation. *Best Practice in Mental Health*, 17(1), 1-17.
11. Noh, H., Suntai, Z., **Won, C. R.** (2021). Rural older adults' experiences with pain from chronic illnesses and its treatment, innovation in aging, *Innovation in Aging*, 5(Supplement 1). 289. <https://doi.org/10.1093/geroni/igab046.1122>
10. Noh, H., **Won, C. R.**, Suntai, Z. (2021). Challenges with pain treatment for rural older adults: Family caregivers' views, *Innovation in Aging*, 5(Supplement 1). 886-887. <https://doi.org/10.1093/geroni/igab046.3225>
9. Suntai, Z., Noh, H., & **Won, C. R.** (2021). Examining racial differences in the informal discussion of advance care planning among older adults: Application of the Andersen model of

- healthcare utilization. *Journal of Applied Gerontology*, 41(2), 371-379.
<http://doi.org/10.1177/0733464821993610>
8. Suntai, Z., Smith, N.L., Chipalo, E., Kubanga, K., & **Won, C. R.** (2021). Effectiveness of support groups for caregivers of traumatic brain injury survivors. *Journal of Evidence-Based Social Work*, 18(6). 636-649.
 7. Kim, J., Lee, H. Y., **Won, C. R.**, Barr, T., & Merighi, J. R. (2020). Older adults' technology use and its association with health and depressive symptoms: Findings from the 2011 National Health and Aging Trends Study. *Nursing Outlook*, 68(5), 560-572.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.outlook.2020.05.001>
 6. Kim, S. Y., Guo, Y., **Won, C. R.**, & Lee, H. Y. (2020). Factors associated with receipt of mammogram among caregivers: a comparison with non-caregivers. *BMC Women's Health*, 20(1), 216. <http://doi.org/10.1186/s12905-020-01079-2>
 5. Ko, K. S., Lee, H. Y., & **Won, C. R.** (2020). Latent growth model of predictors of health status in Korean older adults. *American Journal of Health Behavior*, 44(3), 364-374.
<https://doi.org/10.5993/AJHB.44.3.9>
 4. Lee, H.Y., Eyer, J., Lee, D., **Won, C. R.**, Hudnell, M., & Cain, D.S. (2020). The opioid crisis in Alabama: Actionable recommendations for prevention, treatment, and recovery in rural communities. *Best Practice in Mental Health*. 16(1), 1-11.
 3. Noh, H., **Won, C. R.**, Lee, L. (2020). Educational intervention to improve palliative care knowledge among informal caregivers of cognitively impaired older adults. *Palliative & Supportive Care*, 19(5), 515-523. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1478951520001200>
 2. Suntai, Z., **Won, C. R.**, & Noh, H. (2020). Access barrier in rural older adults' use of pain management and palliative care services: A systematic review. *American Journal of Hospice and Palliative Medicine*, 38(5), 494-502. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1049909120959634>
 1. Shah, A., Kraemer, K. R., **Won, C. R.**, Black, S., & Hasenbein, W. (2018). Developing digital intervention games for mental disorders: A review. *Games for Health Journal*, 7(4), 213-224.
<https://doi.org/10.1089/g4h.2017.0150>

PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

3. **Won, C. R.**, Noh, H., Lee, L. H., & Lee, H. Y. (Under Review). *Recommendations from Korean immigrant adults for enhancing mental health support among youth*. Cultural Diversity & Ethnic Minority Psychology.
2. Lee, H. Y., Lee, J., **Won, C. R.**, Luo, Y., Kim, Y. S., Woo, J., Kim, S., & Li, X. (Under Review). *Effect of technology use for health purposes on depressive symptoms: Does it vary by age groups?* Social Media and Society.
1. Lee, H.Y., **Won, C.R.**, Luo, Y., Hao, Z., Lidbe, A., & Jones, S. (Under Review). *Transportation challenges and suggestions for improvement in the Black Belt region of Alabama amid COVID-19 pandemic*. Ethnicity & Health

WORK IN PROGRESS

8. Lee, H. & **Won, C. R.** (In progress). *Teaching Culturally Responsive Clinical Reasoning with Generative AI: A Structured Case Interpretation Framework*.
7. **Won, C. R.**, Kim, Y., & Noh, H. (In progress). *Recommendation from Korean Americans of advance care planning intervention..*
6. **Won, C. R.**, Jeong, H., & Noh, H. (In progress). *Advance care planning intervention among Asian Americans: A systematic review*.
5. **Won, C. R.**, Choi, S., Noh, H., & Lee, H. Y. (In progress). *"I can be a victim anytime and anywhere": The impact of Asian hate sentiment on mental health of Korean immigrants during the COVID-19 pandemic*.

4. Choi, S., **Won, C. R.**, Noh, H., & Lee, H. Y. (In progress). *Understanding the types of discrimination experienced by Korean Americans and strategies for prevention.*
3. **Won, C. R.**, Lim, Y., & Lee, H. Y. (In progress). *Perspective about racism among young Korean American adults in the Deep South.*
2. **Won, C. R.** (In progress). *Associations among demographic characteristics and means of human trafficking: A global examination.*
1. **Won, C. R.** (In progress). *Bridging Societal Divides: Determinants of Restrictive Immigration Attitudes towards North Korean Defectors in South Korea.*

BOOK CHAPTERS, REPORTS, AND TECHNICAL DOCUMENTS

5. **Won, C. R.** (2024). *Adult Mental Health First Aid for Koreans: Fact sheet.* Distributed to Korean community members via various mechanisms.
4. **Won, C. R.** (2024). *Korean-Youth Mental Health First Aid Findings.* Distributed to Korean community members via various mechanisms.
3. Mental Health First Aid USA (2023). *Mental Health First Aid USA for adults assisting adults* (**C. R. Won**, J. Kim, S. Kim, K. Potter, Trans.). National Council for Behavioral Health. (Original work published 2020).
2. Mental Health First Aid USA (2023). *Mental Health First Aid USA for adults assisting children and youth* (**C. R. Won**, J. Kim, S. Kim, K. Potter, Trans.). National Council for Behavioral Health. (Original work published 2020).
1. **Won, C. R.** (2023). *Youth Mental Health First Aid for Koreans: Fact sheet.* Distributed to Korean community members via various mechanisms.

ACCEPTED CONFERENCE ORAL PRESENTATIONS

10. **Won, C. R.** (2026, October). *Understanding and Supporting the Korean Family's Quality of Life in the Hyundai-Kia Belt.* Oral. 2026 Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
9. Lee, H. Y., Woo, J., Lu, J., & **Won, C. R.** (2026, January). *Unveiling protective and risk factors: Korean Americans in the deep south and their encounters with discrimination during the Covid-19 pandemic.* Oral. 2026 Annual Conference of Society for Social Work and Research, Washington D.C.
8. **Won, C. R.**, Lee, H. Y., Lu, J., & Woo, J. (2026, January). *Navigating discrimination: Experiences and recommendations of Korean Americans in the Deep South during Covid-19.* Oral. 2026 Annual Conference of Society for Social Work and Research, Washington D.C.
7. **Won, C. R.** & Jeong, H. (2024, October). *Recommendations from Korean adults for enhancing mental health support within immigrant families.* Oral. 2024 Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Kansas City, MO.
6. Lee, H.Y., **Won, C. R.**, Luo, Y., Jasko, S., Royen, R., & Qualls, C. (2024, July). *Preliminary outcomes of an online mental health awareness training for law enforcement.* 48th Annual National Institute on Social Work and Human Services in Rural Areas. Oral. Fort Hays, Kansas.
5. **Won, C. R.**, Choi, S., Noh, H., & Lee, H.Y. (2024, January). *"I can be a victim anytime and anywhere": The impact of Asian Hate sentiment on mental health of Korean immigrants during the COVID-19 pandemic.* Oral. Society for Social Work and Research 2024 Annual Conference, Washington D.C.
4. Nam, Y., Choi, E. Y., **Won, C. R.**, & Lee, H. Y. (2023, January). *Discrimination experience, financial access, and material hardship: Evidence from survey of Korean immigrants in Alabama.* Oral. 2023 Annual Conference of Society for Social Work and Research, Phoenix, AZ.
3. **Won, C. R.**, Nam, Y., & Lee, H. Y. (2023, January). *Lived experiences of racism during COVID-19 pandemic in deep South: Voices and resolutions from young Korean American adults.* Oral. 2023 Annual Conference of Society for Social Work and Research, Phoenix, AZ.

2. Noh, H., Suntai, Z., & **Won, C. R.** (2021, November). *Rural older adults' experiences with pain from chronic illnesses and its treatment*. Oral. Gerontological Society of America 2021 Annual Scientific Meeting. Online.
1. **Won, C. R.** (2021, April). *Behavioral health intervention for unaccompanied children trafficking victims during the asylum proceedings*. Oral. 2021 Southeastern Universities Graduate Research Symposium. Online.

ACCEPTED CONFERENCE POSTER PRESENTATIONS

24. Kim, S., Cha, G. E., **Won, C. R.**, Jeong, S., & Lucio, R. (2025, October). *Community-Based AI digital storytelling for mental health support: A pilot study for Korean and Korean American adults*. Poster. 8th Annual Outreach and Engagement Conference at UTK. Knoxville, TN.
23. Lee, H.Y., **Won, C. R.**, Luo, Y., Jasko, S., Royen, R., & Qualls, C. (2023, November). *Preliminary outcomes of an online mental health awareness training for law enforcement*. Poster. 2023 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
22. **Won, C. R.**, Kubanga, K.P., Luo, Yan., Jones, S., & Lee, H.Y. (2023, October). *Service provision during the COVID-19 pandemic: Experiences of rural community health workers in Alabama*. Poster. 2023 Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
21. Lee, H.Y., **Won, C.R.**, Luo, Y., Jasko, S., Royen, R., & Qualls, C. (2023, September). *Preliminary outcomes of an online mental health awareness training for law enforcement*. Poster. 2023 Annual Meeting Southern Criminal Justice Association Conference, Mobile, AL
20. Nam, Y., Choi, E. Y., **Won, C. R.**, & Lee, H. Y. (2023, July). *Discrimination experience, financial access, and material hardship: Evidence from survey of Korean immigrants in Alabama*. Poster. 2023 Global Forum for Financial Consumers, Tokyo, Japan.
19. Lee, H.Y., Luo, Y., **Won, C. R.**, Daniel, C., Coyne-Beasley, T. (2023, April). *HPV and HPV Vaccine Awareness Among African Americans in the Black Belt Region of Alabama*. Poster. 35th International Papillomavirus Conference, Washington, D.C.
18. **Won, C. R.**, Luo, Y., Hao, Z., Lee, H. Y., & Jones, S. (2023, January). *Transportation barriers and their impact on healthcare access and health among residents in rural Alabama: A phenomenological approach*. Poster. 2023 Annual Conference of Society for Social Work and Research, Phoenix, AZ.
17. **Won, C. R.**, Kern, L., Hao, Z., & Lee, H. Y. (2023, January). *Preference for behavioral health training among law enforcement officers in rural Alabama: Is it different by gender?* Poster. 2023 Annual Conference of Society for Social Work and Research, Phoenix, AZ.
16. Hao, Z., Lee, H. Y., Luo, Y., & **Won, C. R.** (2022, January). *Public perceptions and responses on the Covid-19 and Covid vaccination in rural Alabama*. Poster. 2022 Annual Conference of Society for Social Work and Research, Washington D.C.
15. Noh, H., Suntai, Z., & **Won, C. R.** (2022, January). *Barriers to pain management among rural older adults and strategies to address them: Service provider perspective*. Poster. 2022 Annual Conference of Society for Social Work and Research, Washington D.C.
14. **Won, C. R.** (2022, January). *Associations among demographic characteristics and means of human trafficking: A global examination*. Poster. 2022 Annual Conference of Society for Social Work and Research, Washington D.C.
13. Noh, H., **Won, C. R.**, Suntai, Z. (2021, November). *Challenges with pain treatment for rural adults: Family caregivers' views*. Poster. Gerontological Society of America 2021 Annual Scientific Meeting, Online.
12. **Won, C. R.** (2021, November). *South Koreans' attitude toward immigration of North Korean defectors and threat perception*. Poster. 2021 Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, FL.
11. **Won, C. R.** Lee, H. Y., Hao, Z., & Luo, Y. (2021, November). *HPV and HPV vaccine awareness among Korean Americans in Alabama*. Poster. 2021 Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, FL.

10. Lee, H. Y., Choi, E.Y., Song, J., **Won, C. R.**, Gajos, J., Kim, S. (2021, January). *Opioid literacy in an immigrant group in deep south: Addressing the role of social determinants of health*. Poster. 2021 Annual Conference of Society for Social Work and Research, Online.
9. Luo, Y., Lee, H. Y., Daniel, C., **Won, C. R.** (2020, November). *HPV awareness across age groups: Different role of technology and social media*. Poster. 2020 Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Online.
8. Noh, H., **Won, C. R.**, & Lee, L. (2020, November). *Association between caregivers' and care-recipients' advance care planning: An exploratory study*. Poster. Gerontological Society of America 2020 Annual Scientific Meeting, Online.
7. Suntai, Z., **Won, C. R.**, & Noh, H. (2020, November). *Transportation barriers in rural older adults' use of pain management and palliative care: Systematic review*. Poster. Gerontological Society of America 2020 Annual Scientific Meeting, Online.
6. Lee, H. Y., Eyer, J. C., Lee, D., **Won, C. R.**, Hudnell, M., & Cain, D. S. (2019, October). *The opioid crisis in Alabama: Actionable recommendations for prevention, treatment, and recovery in rural communities*. Poster. Behavioral Health Research Symposium, Birmingham, AL.
5. Lee, H. Y., Lee, J., Hwang, J., Ball, J. G., Yu, Y., Albright, D. L., & **Won, C. R.** (2019, October). *Mental health literacy affects mental health attitude: Is there a gender difference?* Poster. Behavioral Health Research Symposium, Birmingham, AL.
4. Lee, H. Y., Hwang, J., Ball, J. G., Lee, J., Albright, D. L., & **Won, C. R.** (2019, October). *Is health literacy associated with mental health literacy? Findings from mental health literacy scale*. Poster. Behavioral Health Research Symposium, Birmingham, AL.
3. Casey, M., Darling, M., Fitch, M., Hartley, R., & **Won, C. R.** (2016, March). *HealthU: An app for collegiate health promotion*. Poster. 9th Annual Undergraduate Research & Creative Activity Conference, Tuscaloosa, AL.
2. **Won, C. R.**, Kraemer, K., & Shah, A. (2016, February). *Get your game on: A review of mental health intervention games*. Poster. The National Association of Social Workers (NASW) - Alabama Chapter 2016 Annual State Conference & Advocacy Day, Montgomery, AL.
1. **Won, C. R.**, Kraemer, K., & Shah, A. (2015, April). *Get your game on: A review of mental health intervention games*. Poster. 8th Annual Undergraduate Research & Creative Activity Conference, Tuscaloosa, AL.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

12. **Won, C. R.** (2026, August). *It's Okay to Be Shaken*. Oral Presentation. Auburn Opelika Korean Church Youth Retreat, Opelika, AL.
11. **Won, C. R.** (2025, August). *Introduction to Korean-Youth Mental Health First Aid*. Oral Presentation. Tampa Korean Methodist Church, Online.
10. **Won, C. R.**, Jeong, H., & Doh, J. (2024, October). *Korean American youth mental health: Role of the mental health first aid and family*. Oral Presentation. Georgia Fulton County School Parent Seminar, Online.
9. **Won, C. R.** (2024, June). *Mental health care in faith*. Oral Presentation. Auburn Opelika Korean Church Youth Retreat, Opelika, AL.
8. **Won, C. R.** (2024, April). *Recovering relationship in the Korean immigrant families: Mental health care*. Oral Presentation. Auburn Opelika Korean Church Adult Education Seminar, Opelika, AL.
7. **Won, C. R.** (2023, October). *Communicating with children and youth*. Oral Presentation. Auburn Opelika Korean Church Teacher Seminar, Opelika, AL.
6. Pearl, D., Evans, T., Locke, E., Maxcy-Brown, J., Peterson, J., & **Won, C. R.** (2023, April). *Community engagement in graduate education: Developing the next generation of scholars*. Panelist. Gulf-South Summit, Athens, GA.
5. **Won, C. R.** (2023, March). *Pathways post-graduation: Pursuing PhD/DSW*. Panelist. Minority Fellowship Program, Online.

4. **Won, C. R.** (2022, November). *First generation abroad student panel discussion*. Panelist. University of Alabama School of Social Work Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, Tuscaloosa, AL.
3. Lee, H. Y. & **Won, C. R.** (2022, April). *Lived experiences of racism during COVID 19 Pandemic in deep south: Voices and resolutions from young Korean American adults*. Oral Presentation. Developmental concentration Contemporary Issues meeting, Psychology Department, The University of Alabama, Online.
2. Lee, H. Y. & **Won, C. R.** (2022, March). *Lived experiences of racism during COVID 19 Pandemic in deep south: Voices and resolutions from young Korean American adults*. Oral Presentation. COVID 19 Trauma: Social Justice Approaches to Healing Communities from the Impact of Racial Discourse and Disparities, The University of Alabama, Online.
1. Lee, H. Y. & **Won, C. R.** (2022, March). *Mental health and awareness training for West Alabama's law enforcement*. Oral Presentation. Law & Psychology Review 2022 Symposium – Crisis Response: Mental Health & Policing, The University of Alabama, Online.

PRESENTATIONS UNDER REVIEW

2. Severinski, J. & **Won, C. R.** (Under Review). *Beyond Self-Care: Addressing the Systemic Causes of Student Burnout in Field Practicum*. Oral. 2026 Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
1. Noh, H., Lee, L. H., **Won, C. R.**, & Kim, Y. (Under Review). *Examining baseline readiness and contextual moderation in Advance Care Planning (ACP) knowledge and willingness among Korean immigrants*. Oral. 2027 Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR), San Francisco, CA.

CEU EVENT

1. **Won, C. R.** (2026, April). *Understanding and Supporting the Korean Family's Quality of Life in the Hyundai-Kia Belt*. Oral. Troy University, Troy, AL.

GUEST LECTURE

2. Jeong, H. & **Won, C. R.** (2024, November). *Exploring the social work licensing journey: From exam preparation to success*. Dr. Lewis Lee's Professional Advising Session for MSW Students at The University of Alabama School of Social Work, Tuscaloosa, AL.
1. **Won, C. R.** (2020, March). *Issues particularly affecting women*. International Social Work at The University of Alabama School of Social Work, Tuscaloosa, AL.

TRAININGS

7. **Won, C. R.** & Doh, J. (2025, June). *Korean-Youth Mental Health First Aid*. Auburn Opelika Korean Church, Opelika, AL.
6. **Won, C. R.** (2024, December). *Korean-Youth Mental Health First Aid*. The Lord's Church of Montgomery, Montgomery, AL.
5. **Won, C. R.** & Doh, J. (2024, November). *Korean-Youth Mental Health First Aid*. Johns Creek United Methodist Church, Johns Creek, GA.
4. **Won, C. R.** (2024, May). *Korean-Adult Mental Health First Aid*. Auburn Opelika Korean Church, Opelika, AL.
3. **Won, C. R.** & Doh, J. (2024, May). *Korean-Youth Mental Health First Aid*. Auburn Opelika Korean Church, Opelika, AL.
2. **Won, C. R.** & Doh, J. (2024, March). *Korean-Youth Mental Health First Aid*. University of Georgia Gwinnett Campus, Lawrenceville, GA.
1. **Won, C. R.** (2023, December). *Korean-Youth Mental Health First Aid*. Holy Spirit Presbyterian Church, Duluth, GA.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2018-2023

Graduate Research Assistant (Advisor: Dr. Hee Yun Lee)

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa AL

- *Asian Hate and Korean Americans in Alabama: A Need Assessment and Action Plan Development*
Led culturally adapted mixed-method research (survey & interviews) with Korean American participants; trained faculty in qualitative analysis.
- *Campus Environments that promote Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion among members at the University of Alabama*
Designed survey/interview tools using the Culturally Engaging Campus Environments (CECE) model; led qualitative analysis team.
- *Mobile Behavioral Health Education, Awareness and Learning Initiative for First Responders*
Served as project manager: oversaw IRB processes, data tracking, federal reporting (SAMHSA), and training; evaluated intervention outcomes and developed training materials.
- *Transportation and Health Care Needs in Rural Alabama during COVID-19: Development of Innovative Intervention Strategies*
Led IRB submissions, focus groups, and team training; coordinated virtual community engagement.
- *Implementation of an Integrated TeleECHO and Health Outpost Model for Opioid Prevention Treatment, and Recovery in Rural Alabama*
Co-wrote grant proposal; facilitated qualitative analysis using social determinants of health; supported program development and grant renewal.
- *Cancer Screening Literacy and Health Need Assessment among minorities in Alabama*
Collected survey data at community events; served as Korean community liaison and translator.

2018-2021

Graduate Research Assistant (Advisor: Dr. Hyunjin Noh)

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

- *Understanding Pain Management Needs among Community Dwelling Older Adults with Chronic Illness, Caregivers, and Providers*
Conducted interviews with older adults, caregivers, and providers; delivered in-person education on advance care planning.

2014-2018

Undergraduate Research Assistant (Advisor: Dr. Avani Shah)

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

- *Get Your Game On: Development of Mental Health Intervention Games.*
Assisted with literature review and developed mobile app contents for mental health interventions.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2026-Present, Assistant Professor, Undergraduate Level, Troy University

Social Work Research I (in-person, online)

Social Work Research II (in-person)

Social Work with Organizations and Communities (in-person)

2025-Present, Assistant Professor, Graduate Level, Troy University

Introduction to Social Policy (online)

Human Behavior & Social Environment I (online)

Human Behavior & Social Environment II (online)

2022-2024, Adjunct Instructor, Undergraduate Level, University of Alabama

Research in Social Work (online)

History in Social Welfare (online)

Introduction to Field Social Work (in-person)

2020, Graduate Teaching Assistant, Undergraduate Level, University of Alabama

Human Behavior and Social Environment (online)

Social Work Perspectives on Substance Use Problems (online)

Psychopathology (online)

Elementary Level

2025, Summer English as a Second Language, Auburn Opelika Korean Church, Opelika, AL

2021-2022, Bible Study, Korean Presbyterian Church of Tuscaloosa, Tuscaloosa, AL

GRANTS UNDER REVIEW

GRANTS REJECTED

2025 **Won, C. R.** (PI), *Structural Barriers in the Labor Market: Socio-Ecological and Intersectional Influences on Korean Young Adults in the Southern U.S.*, Russell Sage Foundation Sheldon Danziger Pipeline, \$40,000

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, & SCHOLARSHIPS

2023-2026 *Youth Mental Health First Aid Grant*, Team: Changing Minds

2023-2025 *Mental Health First Aid Doctoral Grant*, National Council for Mental Wellbeing, Washington D.C.

10/2024 *Doctoral Fellowship*, Asian & Pacific Islander Social Work Educators Association

2021-2024 *Doctoral Fellow for Minority Fellowship Program*, Council on Social Work Education

2022-2023 *PhD Program Summer Support Scholarship*, School of Social Work, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

2022-2023 *Research Support Funding*, School of Social Work, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

01/2022	<i>Roff/Klemmack Family Scholarship</i> , School of Social Work, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
2022-2024	<i>Conference Support Funding</i> , School of Social Work, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
2019-2020	<i>National Alumni Association Fellow</i> , The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
01/2019	<i>International Studies Graduate Scholarship</i> , The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
2016, 2018	<i>Education Abroad Grant</i> , The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
08/2016	<i>International Studies Undergraduate Scholarship</i> , The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
08/2016	<i>McWane Honors Program Endowed Travel Support</i> , The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
05/2016	<i>International Field Placement Stipend</i> , School of Social Work, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
2015-2016	<i>Howard B. Gundy Endowed Scholarship</i> , School of Social Work, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
2014-2017	<i>Presidential Scholarship</i> , The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

AWARDS & HONORS

10/2024	<i>Outstanding Dissertation Proposal Award</i> , Korean American Social Work Educators Association
04/2021	<i>PhD Scholar Award</i> , School of Social Work, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
2016-2018	<i>Dean's Scholar Award</i> , The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
02/2016	<i>BSW Poster Presentation Award</i> , NASW-AL Conference
2014-2017	<i>Presidential List</i> , The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
04/2015	<i>Distinguished Scholar Award</i> , The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

2025-Present	<i>Director</i> , With Together, LLC - Instruct Youth and Adult Mental Health First Aid (MHFA), an evidence-based mental health awareness education to Asian American communities nationwide. - Advise Korean community members navigating the American school and healthcare system in AL and GA.
2024-Present	<i>Consultant</i> , Advanced Care Planning for Korean Immigrants (Dr. Hyunjin Noh), The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL Advise on culturally adapting and implementing advance care planning intervention for Korean Americans.
2023-Present	<i>Consultant</i> , Cross Connection International, GA Serve as a Subject Matter Expert for mental healthcare navigation.
2022-Present	<i>Consultant</i> , National Council for Mental Wellbeing, Washington D.C.

- Serve as a Subject Matter Expert for cultural relevance and instructor concerns for Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) for Korean Americans.

- 2024-2025 *Advisory Board Member, People's Empowerment through Advocacy, Counseling, and Education (P.E.A.C.E.), Peachtree Corners, GA*
- Provided consultation on grant writing and research for Asian Americans.
- 2019 *MSW Field Placement Intern, Hana Center, Seoul, South Korea*
- Provided case management to North Korean defectors in the North Korean Defectors Resettlement Assistance Team.
- 2016 *BSW Field Placement Intern, Gwangmyeong Community Welfare Center, South Korea*
- Assisted program implementation for children from low-income families, elders, multicultural families, and children with intellectual disabilities.

PROFESSIONAL TRAININGS

- 2023-2024 *Public Engagement Learning Community Scholar, Center for Community-Based Partnerships, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL*
- 2022-2023 *Emerging Community Engaged Scholars, Center for Community-Based Partnerships, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL*
- 2021-2022 *Journal Assistant, Best Practice in Mental Health, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL*
- 2014-2015 *Emerging Scholars Program, Office for Research & Economic Development, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL*

LICENSES & CERTIFICATIONS

- 2026 *Certificate, Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) Gatekeeper Instructor, QPR Institute*
- 2025 *License, Master Social Worker (#MSW012523), Georgia Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage & Family Therapists*
- 2023 *Certificate, Youth Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) Instructor, National Council for Mental Wellbeing*
- 2022 *Certificate, Adult MHFA Instructor, National Council for Mental Wellbeing*
- 2022 *Certificate, Mixed Methods Research, University of Michigan, School of Social Work*
- 2021 *License, Master Social Worker (#5346G), The State of Alabama Board of Social Work Examiners*
- 2020 *Certificate, Go-the-Distance Advanced Online Teaching, The University of Alabama*
- 2015 *Certificate, QPR, The University of Alabama*

SERVICE

Service to College of Health Science (CHS)

- 2025-2026 *Member, Second Annual CHS Student Research Symposium*

Service to School of Social Work and Human Services

2026 *Reviewer, MSW Applicant Review*
 2025-2026 *Member, Tenure-track Faculty Search Committee*
 2025-Present *Member, BSW Committee*

Service to the University of Alabama

04/2024 *Member, Buford Peace Award, School of Social Work*
 2022-2023 *Member, Asian American and Pacific Islander Association Development Committee*
 04/2023 *Member, Faculty Award for Research, Teaching, or Service, School of Social Work*
 2021, 2022 *Judge, Undergraduate Research & Creative Activity Conference*
 2018-2023 *Judge, STEM Showcase*
 2015-2016 *Tutor, Culturally Speaking, English Language Institute*
 2015-2016 *Member, Cultural Experience & Diversity Committee*
 2015-2016 *Tutor, First Friends, English Language Institute*
 2014-2015 *Tutor, Korean 1:1 Tutoring, Critical Languages Center*

Service to the Profession

2022-Present *Ad Hoc Peer Reviewer, BioMed Central Nursing, BioMed Central Geriatric, Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved, Journal of Adolescent Health*

Service to the Community

2026-Present *Assistant Manager, Adult Education Team, Auburn Opelika Korean Church, Opelika, AL*
 2024-Present *Teacher, Youth Group, Auburn Opelika Korean Church, Opelika, AL*
 2024 *Manager, Campus Team for College Group, Auburn Opelika Korean Church, Opelika, AL*
 2023-Present *Leader, College Group, Auburn Opelika Korean Church, Opelika, AL*
 2022 *Tutor, Freedom Speakers International, Empowerment for North Korean Refugee, South Korea*
 2021-2022 *Coordinator, In & Out Program, Korean Presbyterian Church of Tuscaloosa*
 2017-2022 *Volunteer, Praise Team, Korean Presbyterian Church of Tuscaloosa, Tuscaloosa, AL*
 2015-2022 *Vice President, College Group, Korean Presbyterian Church of Tuscaloosa, AL*
 2017-2017 *Volunteer, Gwangmyeong Child Welfare Center with Disabilities, South Korea*
 2017-2017 *Volunteer, Seocho Mind Center, South Korea*
 2015-2016 *Vice President, International Campus Ministry, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL*
 2015 *Tutor, Heart Touch, Tuscaloosa Elementary School, Tuscaloosa, AL*

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Asian and Pacific Islander Social Work Educators Association, 2024-Present

Society for Social Work and Research, 2021–2024
Council on Social Work Education, 2021–Present
National Association of Social Workers, 2016–2024
Phi Alpha Honor Society, 2015–Present

LANGUAGES

Korean (Native); English