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EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles

Master of Social Welfare (M.S.W.) — 2011

California State University, Dominguez Hills

Master of Arts in Counseling — 2001

Ewha Womans University, Seoul, Korea

Bachelor of Arts in Educational Psychology — 1997

CREDENTIALS

- Licensed Clinical Social Worker (CA License No. 76656, 2017)
- California Pupil Personnel Services Credential in School Counseling
- Teaching Credential in Psychology, Korea

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Little Tokyo Service Center, Los Angeles, CA

Korean Team Manager, Mental Health Therapist, & Social Worker

March 2012 – August 2025

Various Adult Day Health Care Centers, Los Angeles, CA

LCSW Consultant

November 2019 – August 2025

World Mission University, Los Angeles, CA

Adjunct Professor of Social Work

Spring 2022, Spring 2024, Multicultural Social Work Practice

Southbay & Meior Vida Adult Day Health Care Centers, Los Angeles, CA

Medical Social Worker

2006 – 2009

Korean Youth Counseling Institute (KYCI), Seoul, Korea

Counselor & Researcher

2003 – 2006

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Alzheimer's Disease Program Initiative (ADPI)

Federal HHS Administration for Community Living

2020 – 2023

Substance Abuse Prevention and Control

County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health

2012

Korea Youth Counseling Institute Research Projects

2003 – 2005

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- Jang, Y., Park, J., Rhee, M.-K., **Lee, H. W.**, et al. (2024). *Mental health impact of bullying by ethnic peers in senior housing: A study with older Korean American residents in the greater Los Angeles area. Ethnicity & Health.*
- Jang, Y., Park, J., Rhee, M.-K., **Lee, H. W.**, et al. (2024). *Health risks associated with urinary incontinence among older Korean Americans living in subsidized senior housing. Ethnicity & Health.*
- **Lee, H. W.**, Taketa, A., & Lee, J.-A. (2021, April). *Lessons learned from a mental health program for monolingual older Japanese American and Korean American immigrants.* Poster presented at the American Geriatrics Society Annual Meeting.
- Galapon, D., **Lee, H.**, Takeda, A., et al. (2014, March). *Serving monolingual Asian immigrant seniors with evidence-based programs. Aging in America Conference, San Diego, CA.*
- Yang, M., Lee, E., & **Lee, H.** (2006). *A study on psychological characteristics, environmental variables, and mental health variables of adolescents. Korean Journal of Youth Counseling, 14(1), 63–76.*
- Lee, E., Jang, M., Kim, E., et al. (2005). *Development of a prevention program for adolescent game addiction. Korean Journal of Counseling, 6(3).*
- Keum, M., Kwon, H., & **Lee, H.** (2004). *The acculturation process of North Korean adolescent refugees. Korean Journal of Counseling and Psychotherapy, 16(2), 295–308.*
- Keum, M., Kwon, H., & **Lee, H.** (2004, August). *North Korean adolescent refugees' cultural identity and acculturation process.* Poster presented at the 112th APA Convention, Honolulu, HI.

AWARDS

- Certificate of Recognition — U.S. House of Representatives (CA 34th District), 2023
- Silla Cultural Scholarship Foundation — Full Scholarship, 1994–1997