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SUMMARY

A second-year Master of International Policy candidate at Stanford University and an active-duty Captain in the Republic of Korea Army with over five years of military leadership experience. Bringing research expertise in European security, NATO burden-sharing, and minilateral defense cooperation through collaborative research with Vilnius University scholars. Recognized with the Presidential Award for graduating as the Valedictorian of the Korea Military Academy.

EDUCATION

Stanford University **CA, United States**

Master of International Policy (MIP) / Area of Specialization: International Security 09/2025 – 06/2027 (Expected)

- *Fellowship,* Freeman Spogli Institute, Stanford University (2025 – 2027)
- *Fellowship,* Republic of Korea Army (2025 – 2027)

Vienna School of International Studies (Diplomatic Academy of Vienna) **Vienna, Austria**

Master of Advanced International Studies (MAIS), Second-Year Exchange Student 09/2026 – 12/2026

- *Fellowship,* Master of International Policy (MIP) program, Stanford University

Korea Military Academy (KMA) **Seoul, Korea**

Bachelor of Arts in Leadership (Psychology) / Bachelor of Military Art and Science 02/2016 – 03/2020

- GPA: 4.19 / 4.30; Valedictorian (Ranked 1st of 256); Presidential Award
- *Fellowship,* Republic of Korea (2016 – 2020)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Collaborative Research with Vilnius University Scholars **Remote**

Researcher & Co-author 06/2026 – Present

- "NATO Allies' Provision of Military Aid to Ukraine" – Examining NATO burden-sharing and minilateral defense cooperation through spatial econometric analysis; funded by the Research Council of Lithuania (Grant No. S-MIP-24-33).

Vilnius University, Institute of International Relations and Political Science (IIRPS) **Vilnius, Lithuania**

Research Intern, Stanford FSI Global Policy Internship 06/2026 – 08/2026

- Conducted quantitative research on NATO allies' military assistance to Ukraine, examining spatial interdependence and defense burden-sharing using the Ukraine Support Tracker dataset.

Seoul National University (SNU) Center for Future Warfare Studies **Seoul, Korea**

Research Participant, ROK Army-SNU Joint Research Project 03/2019 – 07/2019

- "NATO's Strategic Response to Russia's Hybrid Warfare: Focusing on Information and Psychological Warfare in Cyberspace" — Working Paper No. 4 (2019), Future Military Strategy Program.

WORK EXPERIENCE

REPUBLIC OF KOREA (ROK) ARMY **03/2020 – Present**

Brigade Training Officer, 201st Brigade, 72nd Division 05/2025 – 08/2025

- Supervised the full planning and execution cycle of major brigade-level training operations, developing comprehensive training doctrines and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) to ensure operational readiness.
- Contributed to the brigade's top-performing result in the division-wide Special Warrior evaluation through training optimization and performance tracking.

- Led brigade-wide risk assessments and performance evaluations, synthesizing multi-unit data to inform leadership priorities and ensure alignment with strategic mission objectives.

Commander of Infantry Company, 201st Brigade, 72nd Division 10/2023 – 05/2025

- Commanded five active-duty soldiers and 121 reservists, overseeing personnel management, operational readiness, and unit training.
- Developed wartime deployment strategies, ensuring mission success with minimal risk to personnel and assets, while securing borders and achieving operational objectives.
- Actively managed a diverse team, fostering cohesion and morale essential for maintaining operational effectiveness and unit effectiveness.

Battalion Operations(S3) Officer**,** 3rd Battalion, 17th Brigade, 12th Division 11/2021 – 04/2023

- Developed and managed battalion-level operations and annual training plan, overseeing operational status, risk management, and coordination of soldiers, resources, and mission objectives.
- Led operational planning for the introduction of Wheeled Armored Vehicles (WAVs), developing deployment strategies, conducting risk assessments, and revising operational orders (OPORDs).
- Prioritized tasks, resources, and personnel for competing demands via effective multi-stakeholder communication.

Armored Personnel Carriers Platoon Leader**,** 3rd Battalion, 17th Brigade, 12th Division 06/2020 – 11/2021

- Directed rapid, mission-critical deployment decisions for garrison patrols and Quick Reaction Forces (QRFs), adhering to military protocols for diverse training scenarios.
- Managed critical military assets and security operations, integrating surveillance technologies to strengthen force protection and operational readiness.

AWARDS & HONORS

Excellence in Operational Readiness (Outstanding Company), 201st Infantry Brigade 12/2024
Outstanding Contribution to Army Corps Integrated Training, 72nd Infantry Division 11/2024
Outstanding Contribution to Unit Development, 201st Infantry Brigade 06/2024
Effective Unit Management, 201st Infantry Brigade 12/2023
Best Performer, **Officer Advanced Course**, Army Education Command 10/2023
First Place, **Division-level Training Guidance Competition**, 12th Infantry Division 05/2022
Best Performer, **Officer Basic Course**, ROK Army Infantry School 06/2020
ROK Presidential Award, Korea Military Academy 03/2020

SKILLS

- **Research:** Quantitative Analysis, Panel Data Analysis, R, Python
- **Professional:** Operational Planning, Risk Management, Organizational Leadership
- **Languages:** Korean (Native), English (Advanced), Russian (A2)