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## EDUCATION

- 2020 – 2025 **Ph.D. in Cultural, Social & Personality Psychology**  
Korea University · Advisor: Prof. Sun-Woong Park · Dissertation: Distinct forms of negative identity among offenders
- 2015 – 2017 **M.A. in Social Psychology**  
Ajou University · Advisor: Prof. Hye-Sook Kim
- 2011 – 2014 **B.A. in Sociology**  
Kookmin University

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## RESEARCH POSITIONS

- 2025 – Present **Postdoctoral Researcher**  
SSK Research Group on Generative-AI User Vulnerability & Response Policy · Institute of Law and Psychology, Dongguk University
- 2019 – 2025 **Senior Researcher**  
Korean Institute of Criminology and Justice (KICJ) · Crime and Justice Policy Trends Division
- 2018 – 2019 **Researcher**  
Institute for Suicide Prevention and Student Mental Health
- Other professional activity**  
Lecturer for stalking-treatment programs; juvenile court-ordered attendance programs

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## PUBLICATIONS – PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

- Cho, B. C.**, Hwang, J. S., Yoon, G. Y., Lee, J. B., & Park, S. W. (2025). Validation of the Korean version of the Criminogenic Cognition Scale (K-CCS). *Korean Journal of Social and Personality Psychology*, 39(2), 199–227.
- Kim, J. Y., Yoon, G. Y., **Cho, B. C.**, & Yoon, J. S. (2024). A typological analysis of stalking perpetrators in domestic correctional facilities. *Korean Police Studies Review*, 24(4), 33–69.
- Lee, J. B., Heo, Y. J., **Cho, B. C.**, & Park, S. W. (2024). The relationship between parental rearing attitudes and adolescents' mental health: The mediating effect of identity development. *Korean Journal of School Psychology*, 21(3), 281–299.
- Cho, B. C.**, Oh, J. H., Jeon, Y. S., Ko, K. W., & Park, S. W. (2024). The effect of explaining disposition goals on juveniles' adjustment to reformatory life: The mediating role of perceived disposition purpose. *Journal of Juvenile Protection*, 37(1), 133–156.
- Cho, B. C.**, & Kim, H. S. (2018). Third-party moral licensing: How perceptions of an offender's group membership shape observers' punishment judgments. *Korean Journal of Social and Personality Psychology*, 32(1), 1–31.

- Seo, J. H., **Cho, B. C.**, Kim, H. S., & Kim, K. I. (2018). Validation of the structured professional judgment (SPJ)-based violence risk assessment HCR-20 Version 3: A paradigm shift from prediction to prevention. *Korean Criminological Review*, 29(1), 309–366.
- Cho, B. C.**, Lee, S. K., & Seo, J. H. (2017). Predictors of background information and crime-scene behavioral characteristics across types of mental disorder. *Korean Police Studies Review*, 17(4), 127–173.
- Seo, J. H., **Cho, B. C.**, Lee, G. A., & Kim, K. I. (2017). Ecological momentary assessment (EMA) diary-based analysis of suicide patterns: Focusing on gender differences. *Journal of the Korean Data Analysis Society*, 19(3), 1535–1556.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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- Cho, B. C.** (2025, December). Distinct forms of negative identity among criminal offenders: Evidence of psychologically adjusted and unadjusted subtypes. *East Asian Association of Psychology and Law (EAAPL) 2025*, Seoul.
- Kim, J., Yoon, J., & **Cho, B. C.** (2023). Factors affecting investigative behavior leading to secondary victimization of gender-based crime. *15th Biennial Conference of the Asian Association of Social Psychology*, Hong Kong.
- Cho, B. C.**, & Kim, H. S. (2017, May). The third-party moral licensing effect: How perceptions of an offender's socioeconomic status shape observers' punishment judgments. *Annual Conference of the Korean Society for Social and Personality Psychology*.
- Jeong, J. W., **Cho, B. C.**, Choi, Y. S., & Kim, H. S. (2016). The effect of perceived discrimination against one's own group on attitudes toward other minority groups. *Proceedings of the Korean Psychological Association Annual Conference*, 270.
- Jeong, J. W., **Cho, B. C.**, Kim, A. Y., & Kim, H. S. (2015). The effect of malleability beliefs about prejudice on contact intentions toward Southeast-Asian immigrants. *Proceedings of the Korean Psychological Association Annual Conference*, 332.

## GRANTS & FUNDING

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- 2026 – 2028      **National Research Foundation of Korea – Young Researcher Program.** Principal Investigator · ₩40,000,000 over two years (2026.6–2028.5). *Shifting the juvenile training school treatment paradigm from risk reduction to identity strengthening: Building a data system for identity-based assessment, classification, intervention, and prediction.*

## RESEARCH & POLICY REPORTS

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- 2025      Characteristics of gaslighting crimes and measures to strengthen the response – KICJ
- 2025      An exploratory study of inmate problem-behavior factors within the correctional information system – KICJ
- 2024      Preventing voice-phishing victimization through psychological analysis of victims – Supreme Prosecutors' Office
- 2024      Sentencing and disposition standards for juvenile crime (I): Focusing on juvenile protective-disposition criteria – KICJ
- 2024      Characteristics of stalking crimes and strengthening countermeasures (II) – KICJ
- 2023      Characteristics of stalking crimes and strengthening countermeasures (I) – KICJ
- 2023      A study on sentencing for stalking crimes – KICJ

- 2023 In-depth analysis of the types and causes of abnormal-motive serious violent crime – Supreme Prosecutors' Office
- 2022 Developing support services for stalking victims – KICJ
- 2022 Gender-sensitivity survey of criminal-justice officials and analysis of gender-violence case law – KICJ
- 2022 Victimization and characteristics of occupational safety and health crime: Focusing on the construction industry – KICJ
- 2021 Improving treatment to protect human rights in juvenile reformatories – KICJ
- 2021 Trends in sexual crimes against children and adolescents (2020) – MOGEF
- 2021 Characteristics of digital sex offenders and development of a foundational psychotherapy-program manual – Ministry of Justice
- 2020 Trends in sexual crimes against children and adolescents (2019) – MOGEF
- 2020 Treatment of younger juveniles in criminal-justice procedures and community-cooperation measures – KIC
- 2020 Introducing pre-trial supervision for juveniles – KIC
- 2019 Public safety in areas with concentrated foreign residents and improvement measures – KIC
- 2019 Conditions of prostitution and countermeasures (2019) – MOGEF
- 2019 Trends in sexual crimes against children and adolescents (2018) – MOGEF
- 2018 Managing inmates at risk of suicide through psychological autopsy – Ministry of Justice
- 2018 Operations manual for the Youth Crisis Text-Counseling System MANUAL
- 2018 Counseling manual for the Youth Crisis Text-Counseling System MANUAL
- 2016 Preventing campus sexual harassment and violence and strengthening victim remedies – Ministry of Education

## TEACHING

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- 2026 Fall **Social Psychology** UPCOMING  
Undergraduate · Dongguk University
- 2026 Spring **Judgment and Decision-Making**  
Undergraduate · Dongguk University
- 2025 – **Advanced Social Psychology**  
Graduate School · Dongguk University
- 2025 – **Personality Psychology**  
Graduate School of Police and Criminal Justice · Dongguk University

## PROFESSIONAL TRAINING & CERTIFICATIONS

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- PCL-R** – Psychopathy Checklist-Revised · Training completed
- CAPP** – Comprehensive Assessment of Psychopathic Personality · Basic & advanced training completed
- RSVP** – Risk for Sexual Violence Protocol · Training completed
- HCR-20** – Historical-Clinical-Risk Management-20 · Training completed

*Participated in Korean validation studies of HCR-20, RSVP, and CAPP (2016–2017; Ministry of Justice / National Forensic Service).*