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Work

The Australia Institute

Events Administrator

Canberra, Australia

07/2024- Present

EDUCATION

The Australian National University (ANU)

Bachelor of International Relations

Canberra, Australia

02/2021- 07/2024

- GPA: 6.875/7.0, Major: Development Studies / Minors: Asia-Pacific International Relations & Asia-Pacific Politics

EXPERIENCE

The Atlantic Council (Indo-Pacific Security Initiative)

Co-author of Issue Brief & Delegate at A next-generation agenda: ROK-US-Australia security cooperation

Washington D.C., United States (Remote)

06/2025 – 07/2025

The Korea Foundation

Delegate at the 2nd Korea-Australia Future Youth Forum

Sydney, Australia

07/2025-08/2025

Australian Institute of International Affairs

Social media & Communications Intern

Canberra, Australia

01/2024 – 04/2024

ANU Asia Pacific Week 2024

Content Coordinator

Canberra, Australia

02/2024 – 06/2024

The Organization for World Peace

Senior Correspondent & Junior Correspondent

Canberra, Australia (Remote)

06/2022 – 05/2023

World Federation of United Nations Associations

President at College Leaders at the United Nations Korea

New York, United States

11/2021 – 02/2022

Asia Exchange Association

Secretary-General at ASEAN-Korea Political-Security Forum

Busan, Republic of Korea

08/2021 – 11/2021

Korea International Cooperation Agency

Assistant at 14th Seoul ODA International Conference

Seoul, Republic of Korea (Remote)

08/2021 – 09/2021

AWARD

2025 Taejae Future Consensus Institute Essay Contest	What role should South Korean think tanks play in establishing South Korea as a leading country in solving global issues?	Third Prize (Essay)	<i>Taejae Future Consensus Institute</i>	03/2025
6th AWP Global Youth Essay and Art Contest	Presence, Promotion, and Protection: Three Pillars for Advancing Women in Peace and Security	First Prize (Essay)	<i>Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Korea</i>	12/2024
Chancellor's Letter of Commendation	Academic performance to achieve a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 7.00 for the full academic year		<i>The Australian National University</i>	04/2024
2023 ANU Student Research Conference Presenter	Is compulsory voting required for a just voting system?		<i>The Australian National University</i>	09/2023
2022 Foreign Policy Proposals Contest	Connecting to Korea, Embassy of the Republic of Korea in Metaverse	Excellence Award	<i>Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Korea</i>	08/2022

PUBLICATION

Asia is Rising. Australia's Asia Capability Is Not.	<i>Future Forward Australia</i>	21 Feb 2026
South Korea's Foreign Ministry in Transition: Pragmatic Diplomacy in Practice	<i>The Diplomat</i>	23 Jan 2026
A next-generation agenda: South Korea-US-Australia security cooperation	<i>Atlantic Council</i>	4 Nov 2025
South Korea's bridge diplomacy faces its APEC test	<i>East Asia Forum</i>	27 Oct 2025
South Korea's economy in tatters amid political turmoil	<i>East Asia Forum</i>	21 Feb 2025
Voting Preferences in the 2024 South Korean Legislative Election	<i>Australian Outlook</i>	12 Feb 2024
Women's Labour Participation Challenges in Japan and South Korea	<i>Australian Outlook</i>	05 Mar 2024