

Curriculum Vitae

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Personal Information

Born: May 29, 1974; Sekikawa-mura, Niigata, Japan.

Citizenship: Japanese; permanent resident of the United States since March 2008.

Academic Employment

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of North Texas, 2005-.

Degrees

Michigan State University, Ph.D. in Political Science, 2005. Dissertation: "Institutions, Opposition Behavior, and the Fates of Governments in Parliamentary Democracies."
Committee: Mark P. Jones (chair), Eric C. C. Chang, Mark Elder, Burt L. Monroe, and Brian D. Silver.

Michigan State University, M.A. in Political Science, 2001.

University of Tsukuba (Japan), B.A. in International Relations, 1998.

Additional Education

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) Summer Institute, Washington University in St. Louis, 2003.

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research, University of Michigan, 2001 (Game Theory).

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research, University of Michigan, 2000 (Maximum Likelihood Estimation and Advanced Maximum Likelihood Estimation).

State University of New York at Oswego, 1997-1998 (international exchange student).

Main Research and Teaching Interests

Comparative Politics (Political Institutions, Party Competition and Party Systems, Elections, Political Economy, Asian Politics, Japanese Politics)

Quantitative Methodology

Publications

- In English

Forthcoming. “Divided We Fall: Opposition Fragmentation and the Electoral Fortunes of Governing Parties.” *British Journal of Political Science*.

2009. “Has the Electoral System Reform Made Japanese Elections Party-Centered?” in Steven R. Reed, Kay Shimizu, and Kenneth Mori McElwain (eds.) *Political Change in Japan: Electoral Behavior, Party Realignment, and the Koizumi Reforms*. The Walter H. Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center.

2008. “Re-Examining the Contamination Effect of Japan’s Mixed Electoral System Using the Treatment-Effects Model.” *Electoral Studies* 27(4):723-31.

2007. “Library Catalogues and the Organization of Knowledge: A Quasi-Empirical Test of a Conjecture about Learning in Hierarchies.” *Journal of Theoretical Politics* 19(4): 425-63. With Thomas H. Hammond and Kyle I. Jen.

2007. “Prime Ministerial Popularity and the Changing Electoral Fortunes of Japan’s Liberal Democratic Party.” *Asian Survey* 47(3): 415-33. With Dennis Patterson.

2006. “The General Election in Japan, September 2005.” *Electoral Studies* 25(3): 621-27.

2006. “Duration of Party Control in Parliamentary and Presidential Governments: A Study of 65 Democracies, 1950-1998.” *Comparative Political Studies* 39(3): 352-74. With Misa Nishikawa.

- In Japanese

2004. “Amerika: ‘butaniku kubari’ to giin no saisen tsuikyū [The United States: ‘Pork Distribution’ and Politicians’ Reelection Quest].” In Takeshi Kohno and Masahiro Iwasaki (eds.) *Rieki yudo seiji: kokusai hikaku to mekanizumu [Pork Barrel Politics: Cross-National Comparison and the Mechanism]*. Tokyo: Ashi Shobo.

Work in Progress

“Two Modes of Democratic Breakdown: A Competing Risks Analysis of Democratic Durability.” Revised and resubmitted.

“Factors behind the Historic Defeat of Japan’s Liberal Democratic Party in 2009.” Under review.

“Democracy’s Fourth Year Crisis?: Time Dependence of Democratic Durability.” Under review.

“Determinants of Opposition Fragmentation: Parliamentary Rules and Opposition Strategies.” Under review.

“An Irrational Party of Rational Members: The Collision of Legislators’ Re-election Quest with Party Success in the Japan Socialist Party.” Under review.

“What Motivates Changes? Policy Shifts of Ruling Parties and Opposition Parties.”

“Talk’s Cheap: Text-Based Estimation of Rhetorical Ideal-Points.” With Burt L. Monroe.

Invited Talks

Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, July 2009.

Kobe University, December 2008.

Waseda University, December 2008.

University of Tsukuba, December 2008.

Conference Participation

“Roundtable on the August 30, 2009, Japanese Election.” Roundtable panelist. The Southwest Conference on Asian Studies, Austin, October 2009.

“What Motivates Changes? Policy Shifts of Ruling Parties and Opposition Parties.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, August 2008.

“Electoral System Reform and the Rise of Party-Centered Elections in Japan.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association of Asian Studies, Atlanta, April 2008.

“Has the Electoral System Reform Made Japanese Elections Party-Centered?” Paper presented at Stanford Conference on Electoral and Legislative Politics in Japan, Stanford University, June 2007.

“Has the Electoral System Reform Made Japanese Elections Party-Centered?: A Preliminary Analysis.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2007.

“The Changing Nature of Candidate Recruitment in Japan and its Effects on Japanese Party Politics.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2006.

“Re-examining the contamination effect in Japan’s mixed electoral system.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2006.

“An Irrational Party Made by Rational Members: A New Explanation of the Immobility of the Japan Socialist Party.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2005.

“Institutional Rules and Opposition Fragmentation in Parliamentary Democracies.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2005.

“Institutional Rules and Opposition Fragmentation in Parliamentary Democracies.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, January 2005.

“Talk’s Cheap: Text-Based Estimation of Rhetorical Ideal-Points.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Political Methodology, Stanford University, July 2004. With Burt L. Monroe.

“The Electoral Fortune of Government and Fractionalization of Opposition Parties.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Japanese Association of Electoral Studies, Tokyo, May 2004.

“The Electoral Fortune of Government and Fractionalization of Opposition Parties.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2004.

“Government Stability in Parliamentary and Presidential Systems: A Study of Seventy-Two Democracies, 1950-1998.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, San Antonio, April 2003. With Misa Nishikawa.

“Status Quo Matters: Conditional Effects of Political Constraints on Economic Growth.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2003.

“Intelligence Organizations and the Organization of Intelligence: What Library Catalogues can Tell us about 9/11.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2003. With Thomas H. Hammond and Kyle I. Jen.

“Government Stability in Parliamentarism and Presidentialism: A Study of Seventy-Five Countries, 1945-1998.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2002. With Misa Nishikawa.

Teaching Experience

University of North Texas.

- Comparative Political Institutions (graduate). Fall 2007.
- Quantitative Political Research Methods (graduate). Fall 2009, Fall 2008, Spring 2008, Spring 2007.

- Comparative Politics. Fall 2009, Spring 2009, Fall 2008, Summer 2008, Spring 2008, Fall 2007, Summer 2007, Spring 2007, Fall 2006, Spring 2006, Fall 2005.
- Japanese Politics. Fall 2006.
- Asian Politics. Spring 2006.

Michigan State University.

- Politics of Asia. Fall 2003.
- Introduction to Comparative Politics. Spring 2003.

Professional Service and Activities

Referee: National Science Foundation, *Journal of Politics*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *Journal of East Asian Studies*.

Grants and Fellowships

Faculty Research Grant, University of North Texas, 2008.

Provost Supplemental Travel Awards, University of North Texas, 2008.

Provost Supplemental Travel Awards, University of North Texas, 2007.

Small Grant Award, University of North Texas, 2007.

Junior Faculty Summer Research Fellowship, University of North Texas, 2006.

Provost Supplemental Travel Awards, University of North Texas, 2006.

Faculty Research Grant, University of North Texas, 2006.

Council of Graduate Students Travel Grant, Michigan State University, 2004.

Committee on Institutional Cooperation (CIC) Traveling Scholar, Summer 2000.

Graduate Office Fellowship, Michigan State University, 1999-2000.

Department Service

Executive Committee (2007-08)

Graduate Studies Committee (2007-09)

Undergraduate Studies Committee (2005-07)

Comparative Politics Subfield Comprehensive Exam Committee (2005-08)

Methodology Subfield Comprehensive Exam Committee (2005-08)

Martin Colloquium (2005-07)

Racial and Ethnic Politics Search Committee (2008)

Comparative Politics / International Relations Search Committee (2007-08)

Comparative Politics Search Committee (2005)

Methodology Search Committee (2005, 2006)

Languages

Japanese (native speaker)

Mandarin Chinese (beginner)

References

Available upon request