

# Curriculum Vitae

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## Personal Data

Place of Birth: Gurye, Republic of Korea (South Korea)  
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## Areas of Specialization

East Asian Buddhism (Chinese, Korean, and Japanese Buddhism); Tibetan Buddhism;  
Peace Studies; Engaged Buddhism; Daoism; Confucianism; Indian Philosophy;  
and so forth

## Education

- 2003-04 Visiting researcher at Tibetan Drepung (Loseling) Monastic University in Mundgod, Karnataka, India
- 2002 Ph. D. in Buddhist Studies at University of Wisconsin - Madison
- 2001-02 Foreign researcher in Buddhist Studies at University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan
- 2000-02 Ph.D. candidate both in Buddhist Studies and in Asian Languages and Cultures at University of Wisconsin – Madison
- 1997-01 M.A. in Asian Languages and Cultures (Asian Religions) at University of Wisconsin – Madison
- 1997-00 Ph.D. minor in Chinese Literature at University of Wisconsin - Madison
- 1997-00 Enrolled as a Ph.D. student both in Asian Languages and Cultures and in Buddhist Studies at University of Wisconsin – Madison
- 1989-91 Reading courses taken in classical Chinese in the National Translation Project Institute, Seoul, South Korea
- 1989-92 M.A. in Philosophy at Seoul National University, Seoul, S. Korea
- 1985-89 B.A. in Buddhist Studies at Dongguk University, Seoul, S. Korea

## Monkhood

- 2006- Chairman of the Committee for International Exchanges at the World Seon Meditation Culture Town in Busan, South Korea
- 2005- Executive Director of the Board of Directors of Won Gak Sa Buddhist Temple in Salisbury Mills, New York
- 2005- Founder and chief editor of Blue Pine Books

- 2004-07 Resident minister at Korea-sah Buddhist Temple in Los Angeles, California
- 1998- Secretary of the Board of Directors of Jung Bup Sa Buddhist Temple in Honolulu, Hawaii
- 1997-04 Resident minister at Soyo-am Buddhist Temple in Cross Plains, Wisconsin
- 2001-02 Resident minister at Tokyo Shogyo-ji Buddhist Temple in Tokyo, Japan
- 1996-97 Resident minister at Daewon-sa Buddhist Temple in Honolulu, Hawaii
- 1996-97 Vice president of Hawaii Association of International Buddhists (HAIB) in Honolulu, Hawaii
- 1992-95 Buddhist chaplain officer in Korean Army
- 1989-92 Resident minister at Guryong-sa Buddhist Temple in Seoul, S. Korea
- 1989 Fully ordained at Bongseon-sa Buddhist Temple in Gyeonggi Province, S. Korea
- 1985 Ordained at Tongdo-sa Buddhist Temple in South Gyeongsang Province, S. Korea

### **Teaching Careers**

- 2007- Visiting Professor at University of Hawaii – Manoa
- 2007- Religious instructor at Jung Bup Sa Buddhist Temple in Honolulu, Hawaii
- 2005-07 Adjunct Professor at Dongguk Royal University in Los Angeles, California
- 2004- Adjunct Professor at the University of the West in Rosemead, California
- 2004-07 Religious instructor at Korea-sa Buddhist Temple in Los Angeles, California
- 1997-04 Religious instructor at Soyo-am Buddhist Temple in Cross Plains, Wisconsin
- 1996-97 Korean Language Instructor in Hangeul (Korean) Language Institute at Daewon-sa Buddhist Temple in Honolulu, Hawaii
- 1992-95 Religious instructor in Korean Army
- 1990-92 Religious instructor at Guryong-sa Buddhist Temple, Seoul, S. Korea
- 1989-90 Teaching Fellow at Seoul National University

### **Organizing Activities**

- 2007 Organized the International Joint Conference on the theme of “Tradition and Change in Buddhism” between Dongguk University and University of the West at the University of the West in Los Angeles
- 2006 Organized the publication ceremony of my book entitled *The History of Doctrinal Classification in Chinese Buddhism: A Study of the Panjiao Systems* at Rotex Hotel in Los Angeles

### **Presentations**

- 2008 “Modern Korean Buddhism and Peacemaking.” The 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies. Hyatt Regency Atlanta Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia.
- 2008 “Peacemakers vs. Anti-peacemakers: Four Forms of Modern Korean Buddhism.” 2008 Academic Conference on Humanistic Buddhism. Fo Guang Shan Monastery, Kaohsiung, Taiwan
- 2007 “Symposium: The Vision of Buddhism in the Department of Religion, University of Hawai’i and the Community.” Buddhist Study Center, Honolulu, Hawaii
- 2007 “Either Peacemakers or Anti-peacemakers: Imperialisms and Modern Korean Buddhism.” The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference of the Association for East

- Asian Buddhist Culture Studies. Tongdo-sa Monastery, Yangsan City, South Gyeongsang Province, South Korea
- 2007 “Buddhism and Peace: Buddhist Contexts.” International Joint Conference between Dongguk University and University of the West at the University of the West in Los Angeles
- 2007 “Purification Buddhist Movement (1952-1962): Cleansing Japanese Buddhist Influences from Its Occupation Period (1910-1945).” The 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the International Association of Asian Studies. Marriott Hotel, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
- 2007 “Purification Buddhist Movement, 1954-62: The Recovery of Traditional Monasticism from Japanized Buddhism in South Korea.” The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the International Academy of Buddhism, University of the West
- 2006 “Buddhism and Peace.” The Institute of Judeo-Christian Studies, Seton Hall University
- 2006 “Buddhism and Peace: Theory and Practice.” The Center for Korean Studies, University of Hawaii – Manoa
- 2006 “The History of Doctrinal Classification in Chinese Buddhism.” Rotex Hotel in Los Angeles at the publication ceremony of the book entitled *The History of Doctrinal Classification in Chinese Buddhism: A Study of the Panjiao Systems*
- 2005 “Imperialism and Temple Properties: A Case Study of Korean Buddhism during Japan’s Occupation Period (1910-45).” The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the International Academy of Buddhism, University of the West
- 2004 “Wonhyo (617-686): A Critic of Sectarian Doctrinal Classifications.” The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the International Academy of Buddhism, University of the West
- 2002 “A Moral Story.” Lecture by a BDK (Bukkyō Dendō Kyōkai) Fellowship Participant. Utsunomiya Sanpōsan Ekōji Temple, Japan

### **Publications (Academic)**

- 2008 *Modern Korean Buddhism and Peacemaking*. Forthcoming. Honolulu, Hawaii: Blue Pine.
- 2008 *Buddhist Worldviews and Concepts of Peace*. Forthcoming. Honolulu, Hawaii: Blue Pine.
- 2008 “Either Peacemakers or Anti-peacemakers: Imperialisms and Modern Korean Buddhism.” Forthcoming. In *Bulgyo wa muhwa* (Buddhism and Culture) 2.
- 2008 “Buddhism and Peace: Buddhist Contexts.” Forthcoming. In *Journal of Korean Buddhist Studies* 2.
- 2007 *Mediators and Meditators: Buddhism and Peacemaking*. Edited by Chanju Mun. Honolulu, Hawaii: Blue Pine.
- 2007 “Preface: Ven. Daewon Ki and Peacemaking.” In *Mediators and Meditators: Buddhism and Peacemaking*. Edited by Chanju Mun. Honolulu, Hawaii: Blue Pine.
- 2007 “Buddhist Peacemakers in Modern Times.” In *Mediators and Meditators: Buddhism and Peacemaking*. Edited Chanju Mun. Honolulu, Hawaii: Blue Pine.
- 2007 “Introduction.” With Ronald S. Green. In *Mediators and Meditators: Buddhism and Peacemaking*. Edited Chanju Mun. Honolulu, Hawaii: Blue Pine.

- 2007 “Purification Buddhist Movement, 1954-62: The Recovery of Traditional Monasticism from Japanized Buddhism in South Korea.” In *Hsi Lai Journal of Humanistic Buddhism* 8: 262-294.
- 2007 “Jungguk bulgyo gyopan sasangsa: Tonghapjuui wa jongpa juui ui gyocharo” (The History of Doctrinal Classification in Chinese Buddhism: Crossroads between Ecumenism and Sectarianism). In *Bulgyo pyeongron* (The Buddhist Review) 31 (Summer 2007): 130-154.
- 2007 “Beopgyeoeo jajae mandara 2” (Dharmadhātuvāgīśvara-mandala). Forthcoming. In *Journal of Buddhist Textual Studies* 10.
- 2006 *The World is One Flower: Buddhist Leadership for Peace*. Edited by Chanju Mun. Honolulu, Hawaii: Blue Pine.  
Reviewed by Darui Long in *Hsi Lai Journal of Humanistic Buddhism* 8 (2007): 370-371.
- 2006 “Preface.” In *The World is One Flower: Buddhist Leadership for Peace*. Edited by Chanju Mun. Honolulu, Hawaii: Blue Pine. vii – xxvi.
- 2006 “The Importance of This Book Today.” With Ronald S. Green. In *The World is One Flower: Buddhist Leadership for Peace*. Edited by Chanju Mun. Honolulu, Hawaii: Blue Pine. xxix – xxxix.
- 2006 *Buddhism and Peace: Theory and Practice*. Edited by Chanju Mun. Honolulu, Hawaii: Blue Pine.  
Reviewed by Bruce Long in *Hsi Lai Journal of Humanistic Buddhism* 8 (2007): 371-373.
- 2006 “Preface.” In *Buddhism and Peace: Theory and Practice*. Edited by Chanju Mun. Honolulu, Hawaii: Blue Pine. xv – xviii.
- 2006 “Introduction.” With Ronald S. Green. In *Buddhism and Peace: Theory and Practice*. Edited by Chanju Mun. Honolulu, Hawaii: Blue Pine. 1-5.
- 2006 “Imperialism and Temple Properties: A Case Study of Korean Buddhism during Japan’s Occupation Period (1910-45).” In *Hsi Lai Journal of Humanistic Buddhism* 7: 278-294.
- 2006 *Buddhist Exploration of Peace and Justice*. Edited by Chanju Mun & Ronald S. Green. Honolulu, HI: Blue Pine.  
Reviewed by Bruce Long in *Hsi Lai Journal of Humanistic Buddhism* 8 (2007): 373-375.
- 2006 “Preface.” With Ronald S. Green. In *Buddhist Exploration of Peace and Justice*. Edited by Chanju Mun & Ronald S. Green. Honolulu, HI: Blue Pine. ix – xii.
- 2006 “Introduction.” With Ronald S. Green. In *Buddhist Exploration of Peace and Justice*. Edited by Chanju Mun & Ronald S. Green. Honolulu, HI: Blue Pine. 1-3.
- 2006 “Beopgyeoeo jajae mandara 1” (Dharmadhātuvāgīśvara-mandala). In *Journal of Buddhist Textual Studies* 9: 23-55.
- 2006 *The History of Doctrinal Classification in Chinese Buddhism: A Study of the Panjiao Systems*. Lanham, MD: University Press of America.  
Reviewed by Paul L. Swanson in *Journal of Chinese Religions* 34 (2006): 134-135.
- 2005 “Wonhyo (617-686): A Critic of Sectarian Doctrinal Classifications.” In *Hsi Lai Journal of Humanistic Buddhism* 6: 290-306.
- 2005 “Tibeteu seungwon ui gyoyuk gwajeong gwa geu yironjeok todae” (Tibetan Monastic Education Curriculum and its Theoretical Background). In *Bulgyo*

- suhaengbeop yeongu* (Research on Buddhist Soteriologies). Edited by the Education Board of Korean Buddhist Jogye Order. Seoul, S. Korea: Korean Buddhist Jogye Order Publication Co.
- 2003 “Historical Introduction to Minjung Buddhism (Korean Liberation Buddhism) in 1980’s.” In *Kankoku Bukkyōgaku Semina-* (Journal of Korean Buddhist Seminar) 9: 239-270.
- 2002 “The History of Doctrinal Classification in Chinese Buddhism: A Study of the *Panjiao* Systems.” Ph.D. Dissertation. University of Wisconsin, Madison.
- 1994 *Hwaeom bulgyo-ui segye*. Translated from Francis H. Cook’s *Hua-yen Buddhism: The Jewel Net of Indra* (University Park & London: Pennsylvania State University Press, 1977). Seoul, S. Korea: Bulgyo sidae-sa.
- 1992 “Beobjang gyopan-ui yeongu” (A Study on Fa-tsang’s Doctrinal Classifications). M.A. Thesis. Seoul National University, Seoul, S. Korea.
- 1991 “Minjung bulgyo gyopan-reul seugi wihan siron” (Some Attempts to Establish the Doctrinal Classification of Minjung (Liberation) Buddhism). In *Dongguk sasang* (Annual Journal of the Buddhist College of Dongguk University) 24: 109-138.
- 1990 “Hua-yen che-hsueh-te ren-chien-kuan” (Hua-yen’s View on Human Beings). In *Ch’ien chiu-pai chiu-shih nien Fo-kuang-shan fo-chiao hsueh-shu hui-i shih-lu* (The Collected Papers of the Buddhist Academic Conference held by Fo-kuang Shan Monastery) (Kao-hsiung, Taiwan: Fo-kuang Shan Press, 1990), 609-29.
- 1989 “Wonhyo ui hwajaeong sasang sogo” (A Brief Introduction to Wonhyo’s Theory of Harmonization). In *Bulgyo gongdongche* (Buddhist Community) 2: 77-88.
- 1989 “Choigeun shipnyeongan-ui jungguk bulgyo yeongu gaesul” (Outline of Research on Buddhist Studies during the Last Ten Years in Mainland China). In *Dongguk sasang* 22: 56-77.

### Book Review

- 2008 *Domesticating the Dharma: Buddhist Cults and the Hwaōm Synthesis in Silla Korea*. By Richard D. McBride, II (Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press, 2007). Forthcoming. In *Korean Studies* 32.

### Publications (General)

- 2008 *Yeombul seon* (Koan Exercise). Forthcoming. Translated from D. T. Suzuki’s “Essay One: The Koan Exercise” (pp. 1-186) in *Zen Essay 2* (London: Luzac and Company, 1933). Seoul, S. Korea: Iljumun.
- 2008 “Hanguk bulgyo mirae injae yangseong e itta” (Korean Buddhism’s Future Depends on Education of Buddhists). In *Wolgan Budda* (Monthly Magazine Buddha) 2: 30-35.
- 2008 “Hawai daehakgyo eseo gangue haneun seongwon seunim” (Ven. Seongwon Teaches Buddhism at the University of Hawaii – Manoa). In *Miju hyeondae bulgyo* (Modern Buddhism of America) 1: 72-75.
- 2005 “Uriga baewueoya hal daeman gukjobulgwanghoi” (Buddha’s Light of International Association Introduced as a Model for Us to Learn). In *Wolgan Budda* (Monthly Magazine Buddha) 3: 14-15.

- 2004 “Let’s Open up Our Eyes to the World.” In *Lotus Lantern*, fall issue: 8-9.
- 2004 “Namgaju jungguk sa’am yeonhaphoe juchoe bucheonim oshinnal bongchuk haengsa” (A Report of the Celebration of the Buddha’s Birthday Hosted by Chinese Buddhist Temples’ Association in Southern California). In *Miju hyeondae bulgyo* (Modern Buddhism of America) 6: 38-40.
- 2004 “Ilbon Jeonghaengsa tambanggi” (A Report of My Visit to Shogyo-ji Monastery in Fukuoka, Japan). In *Miju hyeondae bulgyo* (Modern Buddhism of America) 7: 38-40.
- 2004 “Dongguk daehakgyo yisajang Hyunhae seunim ui myeongye baksa hakwi suyeosik changwangi” (A Report of Conferment of Honorary Doctorate Degree to Ven. Hyunhae, Chairman of Dongguk University Foundation by the University of the West). In *Miju hyeondae bulgyo* (Modern Buddhism of America) 6: 60-62.
- 2004 “Daeman Bulgwangsansa tambanggi” (A Report of My Visit to Foguangshan Monastery and its Dharmic Centers across Taiwan). In *Miju hyeondae bulgyo* (Modern Buddhism of America) 5: 32-38.
- 2004 “19. Saegye ui bulgyo seokhak deul: mi wisconsin dae gudeureon buineman gyosu” (19. Worldwide Eminent Buddhist Scholars: Prof. Gudrun Bühnemann of the University of Wisconsin – Madison). In *Beopbo sinmun* (Dharma-Gem Newspaper), issue # 750, dated April 7, 2004.
- 2003 “March 25, 2545 Buddhist Era. A Moral Story.” In *BDK Fellowship Newsletter* 6: 13.

### **Grants and Fellowships**

- 2006 Publication Grant. Jung Bup Sa Buddhist Temple of Hawaii, Honolulu, Hawaii
- 2004-05 Research Grant. Jogye Order, Seoul, S. Korea
- 2003-04 Fellowship. Guryong-sa Temple, Seoul, S. Korea
- 2002-03 Fellowship. China Times Cultural Foundation, New York, U.S.A.
- 2001-02 Fellowship. Bukkyō Dendō Kyōkai, Tokyo, Japan
- 2000-02 Fellowship. Jogye Order, Seoul, S. Korea
- 2001 Research Travel Grant. University of Wisconsin – Madison
- 1985-02 Fellowship. Guryong-sa Temple, Seoul, S. Korea
- 1989-91 Tuition Fellowship. Seoul National University, Seoul, S. Korea
- 1985-89 Tuition and Stipend Grand. Dongguk University, Seoul, S. Korea
- 1986-89 Fellowship. Ministry of Defense, S. Korea

### **Membership in Professional Associations**

- 2006- International Society of Korean Studies (ISKS)
- 2006- Association for Asian Studies (AAS)
- 2006- American Academy of Religion (AAR)
- 2004- Bojo sasang yeongu-won (Research Institute for Bojo Jinul’s Thought)

### **Languages**

Korean, English, Japanese, Classical Chinese, Spoken Tibetan, Sanskrit, Classical Tibetan, Mandarin Chinese, Pāli, French, German (in order of proficiency)