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My name is Yong-Soo Eun. I undertook my PhD research into International Relations (IR) theory and foreign policy analysis, funded by Warwick Postgraduate Research Scholarship—a full research scholarship for the entire period of a PhD studentship—and received a PhD degree in Politics and International Studies in December 2011.

Duties:

I am currently working as an Assistant Professor of Political Science and International Studies at Incheon National University (INU), South Korea. I am broadly interested in IR theories, Foreign Policy Analysis (in particular cognitive approaches), philosophy of social science, methods of explanation and reasoning in social sciences, and the international politics of the Asia-Pacific region.

How (if at all!) does your PhD help you in your current work?

Without a doubt, my PhD research helped me in getting my job in substantial ways. For example, during my PhD, I have learned what a 'good' research article is and how to write it through taking a PhD methodology course offered by the Department of PAIS and having discussions and debates with PhD students and the Department's professors about the key theoretical and empirical issues at stake in the field of IR.

As a result, I have been able to publish several articles in internationally respected scholarly journals, including *Review of International Studies*, *PS: Political Science and Politics*, *International Studies Perspectives*, and *International Political Science Review*.

What employment-related advice do you have for current PhDs?

So, if I am allowed to give only one piece of advice to prospective PhD students, this would be it: 'Get involved in academic activities within the Department as well as on campus as much as you can.'