

# ONLJ Profile Jinhwa Lee Class of 2018 Georgetown University Regional and Comparative Studies

## What led you to choose this particular major?

As someone with diverse interests spanning multiple academic fields, I did not want to confine myself to a single area of study. Choosing an interdisciplinary major that gave me the flexibility in designing my own curriculum allowed me to explore different fields, including language, politics, sociology, culture, and economics of different regions around the world. Coming out of college, I also wanted to possess a unique skill set that can be transferrable to a variety of settings. My chosen major helped me hone my skills in research, writing, communication, and teamwork, which I thought were highly adaptable skills appealing to prospective employers.

### How was your university experience?

Attending a school located in the heart of Washington DC, the capital city of the United States, gave me unparalleled access to historical landmarks, world-class museums, exciting outdoor spaces, and an array of exceptional restaurants. Exploring these places on weekends or after class enabled me to unwind from my studies and create memories that I never could have otherwise. Given the school's diverse community, I was also able to interact and connect with people from different backgrounds. Furthermore, I had the privilege of learning from dedicated faculty members, some of whom I still stay in touch with, who not only offered academic support but also provided invaluable insights in pursuit of my future goals and aspirations.

### What are you currently engaged in? What motivated you to pursue this specific career path?

In the future, I want to go to law school and work as a lawyer in the States. I chose this career path because a legal education opens the door to a wide range of career and global opportunities and the potential for cross-cultural experiences. In the meantime, I am working as an LSAT instructor in Seoul, helping students achieve their dream of going to US law schools. Also, the NLCS Jeju alumni office has kindly accepted my offer to mentor some of the prospective students interested in a legal career or applying to US universities, so do visit the office if you would like to connect with me.

### Share some cherished memories from your time at NLCS Jeju

I believe that NLCS Jeju stands out as a school committed to fostering a truly tight-knit and supportive community. During my time at the School, I took part in a lot of activities like athletics, basketball, orchestra, and academic clubs, which allowed me to bond with my peers and teachers. On weekends, I would hang out with my friends to explore different parts of the beautiful Jeju Island, including some popular tourist attractions and great local restaurants and cafés, which added excitement and vibrancy to my time at the School.

